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Duty	imposed upon Spanish Rhenish & Brandy wines	14 <sup>li</sup> .	8 <sup>s</sup> .	0	scots per Tun
	French wines of all sorts	7.	4.	0	per Tun
	Paper for printing & writing	0.	12.	0	per six Reams
	Gray paper	0.	12.	0	per 12 Reams
	Dails	3.	0.	0	per 1000
	Single trees	3.	0.	0	per 1000
	Double trees	6.	0.	0	per 1000
	Double Double trees & other great fir timber	12.	0.	0	per 1000
	Steel	0.	12.	0	per cwt weight
	Iron & iron work beaten	1.	4.	0	per Tun
	Onions & apples	0.	12.	0	per 2 Barrells
	Mum-beer	2.	8.	0	per barrel.
	Pruns	2.	8.	0	per Tun

Raisins Currans & Figgs	6.	0.	0	per Tun
Iron potts of all sorts,	0.	12.	0	per duzon
Soap	1.	4.	0	per Barrel
Sugar candy	6.	0.	0	per cwt weight
Copper Kettles, Brass Panns, & all other made work in Brass or Copper {yeltin} or beaten	}	2.	5.	0 per cwt weight
Mader	3.	0.	0	per M weight
Hats	1.	4.	0	per 3 duzon
Window glass	0.	12.	0	per Chest
Lemon & Oranges	0.	12.	0	per thousand
Hopps	0.	12.	0	per cwt weight
Spanish Leather, Marikin, Tanned leather, Wild leather & all sorts of leather except Moscovia leather	}	0.	12.	0 per cwt weight
Gloves of all sort	0.	12.	0	per duzen
Whale bone or Ballan	0.	12.	0	per 2 cwt weight

The said moneys to be delivered to the General or Master of the Mint at such times as his Majesty or his Privy Council shall think fit for payment of Salaries & defraying the charge of a free coinage, & kept in {a} secure Chest by it self whereof the General or Master of the Mint is to have one key & the Cash keeper or Receivers another.

The stan{d}ard fineness of the Silver moneys is 11 deniers 2 grains & the Merchant to receive of the General or Master Weight for standard weight imported

The Officers of the Mint to import no bullion on pain of being punished for malversation.

Three Piles of weights, One kept in the Exchequer, one by the Dean of Gild of Edinburgh & the 3<sup>d</sup> in the Mint house.

A printed Table kept in the Mint house of the value of Bullion or Money according to the Denominations of Weights used in the Mint of Deniers Grains Primes & Seconds, & the Ordinary Denominations of Pounds Ounces Drops & Grains

No preference in point of assaying or coinage & delivery

The Clerk or Book Keeper to keep two Registers in fair books of Parchment & in one of them to set down the times of In-giving in the presence of the In-giver or Importer, which book shall be open to all persons gratis under pain of deprivation. And in the other of them he is to enter Accompts subscribed & delivered to him by the Master, Warden, Counter-Warden & Assay-master of all the silver coyned in his Majestys Mint according to the Standard & fineness And all the Officers or their Deputes for whom they will answer are to subscribe the same <211v> quarterly.

The Master to give to the Importer a Note or Receipt under his hand a Note denoting the weight fineness & value of the Silver imported together with the day & order of its delivery into the said Mint, bearing in the body of it a Clause of Registration & deliver back the same coined within the space of ten days if the Bullion doth not exceed 6000 Scots; & ff 15 days if it doth not exceed 12000 pounds Scots & of 20 days if the quantity be greater.

No seizure of Bullion imported upon any account publick or private.

The General or Master upon refusing to accept of enter & coin bullion brought in, to be deprived, unless for want of money to coin the same. In which case he is to apply to the Lords of the Council for money, after the rate of 18 pounds Scots money for every stone of bullion brought in, to be repaid to the King the next Session of Parliament.

Then follows the weight & limits of sizing the several pieces of money, & triall of the Pix before the Council twice a year.

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