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**CURRENCY OF JERSEY.**

In the island of Jersey the peculiarity of a coinage (says the *Shipping and Mercantile Gazette*) of which 13d go to an English shilling has excited much annoyance for something like 30 years. Some tradesmen dealt for British money — i.e., gave and took 12 Jersey pence to the shilling, others dealt for Jersey money, and the Post-office refused everything but English coins — a system which caused perpetual confusion and gave rise to much unpleasantness. At length it was resolved by the States to have a fresh coinage on the basis of 12d to the shilling, and the new coins are now in course of circulation. The States have ordered that from the 25th inst. the old coins shall cease to be a legal tender, and they are now being withdrawn, new coins being supplied instead at a loss to the exchange of 1s. 8d. in the pound, only 12d being given for 13 Jersey pence. Meantime the island is in the curious position of having no fewer than five different copper or bronze currencies —English, old and new Jersey, French, and Guernsey. The advantages of the new system will soon appear, though there are many who cannot be convinced that they are not being deprived of 1d on every 1s by the new exchange.