

Stamp Act 1815

1815 CHAPTER 184

VII Forgery of Stamps, &c. Felony.

And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall forge or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be forged or counterfeited, any Stamp or Die, or any Part of any Stamp or Die, which shall have been provided, made, or used in pursuance of this Act, or in pursuance of any former Act or Acts, relating to any Stamp Duty or Duties, or shall forge, counterfeit, or resemble, or cause or procure to be forged, counterfeited, or resembled, the Impression or any Part of the Impression of any such Stamp or Die as aforesaid upon any Vellum, Parchment, or Paper, or shall stamp or mark, or cause or procure to be stamped or marked, any Vellum, Parchment, or Paper with any such forged or counterfeited Stamp or Die, or Part of any Stamp or Die as aforesaid, with Intent to defraud His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, of any of the Duties hereby granted, or any Part thereof; or if any Person shall utter or sell or expose to Sale any Vellum, Parchment, or Paper having thereupon the Impression of any such forged or counterfeited- Stamp or Die, or Part of any Stamp or Die, or any such forged, counterfeited, or resembled Impression or Part of Impression as aforesaid, knowing the same respectively to be forged, counterfeited, or resembled; or if any Person shall privately and secretly use any Stamp or Die which shall have been so provided, made, or used as aforesaid with Intent to defraud His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, of any of the said Duties, or any Part thereof; or if any Person shall fraudulently cut, tear, or get off, or cause or procure to be cut, torn, or got off, the Impression of any Stamp or Die which shall have been provided, made or used in pursuance of this or any former Act for expressing or denoting any Duty or Duties under the Care and Management of the Commissioners of Stamps, or any Part of such Duty or Duties, from any Vellum, Parchment, or Paper whatsoever with Intent to use the same for or upon any other Vellum, Parchment, or Paper, or any Instrument or Writing charged or chargeable with any of the Duties hereby granted; then and in every such Case every Person so offending, and every Person knowingly and wilfully aiding, abetting, or assisting any Person or Persons in committing any such Offence as aforesaid, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be adjudged guilty of Felony, and shall suffer Death as a Felon without Benefit of Clergy.