



Malicious Damage Act 1861

1861 CHAPTER 97

Injuries by Fire to Buildings, and Goods therein

8 Attempting to set fire to Buildings.

Whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously by any overt Act attempt to set fire to any Building, or any Matter or Thing in the last preceding Section mentioned, under such Circumstances that if the same were thereby set fire to the Offender would be guilty of Felony, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be kept in Penal Servitude for any Term not exceeding Fourteen and not less than Three Years,—or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years, with or without Hard Labour, and with or without Solitary Confinement, and, if a Male under the Age of Sixteen Years, with or without Whipping.