

Offences Against the Person Act 1861

1861 CHAPTER 100

Attempts to murder

14 Attempting to Administer Poison, or shooting or attempting to shoot or attempting to drown &c., with Intent to murder.

Whosoever shall attempt to administer to or shall attempt to cause to be administered to or to be taken by any Person any Poison or other Destructive Thing, or shall shoot at any Person, or shall, by drawing a Trigger or in any other Manner, attempt to discharge any kind of loaded Arms at any Person, or shall attempt to drown, suffocate, or strangle any Person, with Intent, in any of the Oases aforesaid, to commit Murder, shall, whether any bodily Injury be effected or not, be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be kept in Penal Servitude for Life or for any Term 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.