



Forgery Act 1861

1861 CHAPTER 98

As to other Matters :—

48 All Forgeries which were Capital before the 1 W.4. c. 66., and are not otherwise punishable under this Act, shall be punished with Penal Servitude for Life, &c.

Where by any Act now in force any Person falsely making, forging, counterfeiting, erasing, or altering any Matter whatsoever, or uttering, publishing, offering, disposing of, putting away, or making use of any Matter whatsoever, knowing the same to have been falsely made, forged, counterfeited, erased, or altered, or any Person demanding or endeavouring to receive or have any Thing, or to do or cause to be done any Act, upon or by virtue of any Matter whatsoever, knowing such Matter to have been falsely made, forged, counterfeited, erased, or altered, would, according to the Provisions contained in any such Act, be guilty of Felony, and would, before the passing of the Act of the First Year of King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Sixty-six, have been liable to suffer Death as a Felon ; or where by any Act now in force any Person falsely personating another, or falsely acknowledging any Thing in the Name of another, or falsely representing any other Person than the real Party to be such real Party, or wilfully making a false Entry in any Book, Account, or Document, or in any Manner wilfully falsifying any Part of any Book, Account, or Document, or wilfully making a Transfer of any, Stock, Annuity, or Fund in the Name of any Person not being the Owner thereof, or knowingly taking any false Oath, or knowingly making any false Affidavit or false Affirmation, or demanding or receiving any Money or other Thing by virtue of any Probate or Letters of Administration, knowing the Will on which such Probate shall have been obtained to have been false or forged, or knowing such Probate or Letters of Administration to have been obtained by means of any false Oath or false Affirmation, would, according to the Provisions contained in any such Act, be guilty of Felony, and would before the passing of the said Act of the First Year of King *William* the Fourth have been liable to suffer Death as a Felon; or where by any Act now in force any Person making or using, or knowingly having in his Custody or Possession, any Frame, Mould, or Instrument for the making of Paper, with certain Words visible in the Substance thereof, or any Person making such Paper, or causing certain Words to appear visible in the Substance of any Paper, would, according to the Provisions contained in any such Act, be guilty of Felony, and would before the passing of the said Act of the First Year of King *William* the Fourth have been liable

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to suffer Death as a Felon; then, and in each of the several Cases aforesaid, if any Person shall after the Commencement of this Act be convicted of any such Felony as is herein-before in this Section mentioned, or of aiding, abetting, counselling, or procuring the Commission thereof, and the same shall not be punishable under any of the other Provisions of this Act, every such Person 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.