

Count pleafure of forgery by the Statute law of England  
 Some are Directly to the prejudice of the Rights of private  
 persons; others more immediately kindred to the Government  
 and publick Societies Established by Law. Formerly forged  
 or aſſerted to the forging of writs to the immediate pre-  
 judice of ones private rights, or who flew for the ſame  
 any ſuch forged Writing as truly knowing the ſame to be  
 forged, were for the firſt offences to pay double coſts and  
 Damages to the party aggrieved, and be ſet on the Pillory:  
 And if the forged Writing was ſuch as might trouble the  
 ſeat or Charge any right or title of Inheritance, or ſhould  
 had alſo both their ears cut off, their ſtrivels ſlit, and  
 ſtripped during their lives to the King the ſheriff and preſents  
 of their lands, and ſuffered perpetual Imprifonment, or  
 if a leaſe for years of lands (not copyhold) or an Annuitie  
 ligation, bid acquittances the leaſe or other Discharge of any  
 perſonal thing was forged, the offender Loſt one of their  
 ears, and ſuffered a Years Imprifonment. A ſecond of-  
 fence of this Nature was felony without Benefit of Clergy  
 14. But now perſons Conſidered of forging any deed, or  
 Teſtament bond Writing obligatory, Bid of Exchange  
 promiſſory Note for payment of Money, Invoicement  
 of any Bill of Exchange or Promiſſary Note, or any  
 acquittances or Receipt either for Money or goods with  
 Intention to Deſraud any perſon, or of uttering or publiſhing  
 the ſame as true with ſuch Intention to Deſraud, are to ſuffer  
 for death as felons without Benefit of Clergy 2 G. 2. cap. 28  
 5. Which act was to be of force for the ſpace of three Years  
 Forgery that hath a more immediate tendency to the  
 Loſs of the Government and publick Companies, as for-  
 ging Exchequer Bills or tendering in payment or De-  
 manding upon any ſuch forged bill knowing the ſame  
 to be Counterfeited 13 & 14 W. 3. cap. 31. 5 G. 1. cap. 12. 5 G.  
 13. 5 G. 2. 7 A. cap. 7. 5 G. 9. A. cap. 7. 5 G. 1. cap. 12. 5 G.  
 Counterfeiting any of the publick Stamps on perſonal  
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parchment Linen or other goods thereby to Deſraud the King of  
 his Duties upon ſuch Commodities 12 C. 9 & 10 W. 3. cap. 28. 5 G.  
 joint 12 A. cap. 9. 5 G. 10 A. cap. 12. 5 G. 1. 163. forging any  
 or tickets, or allowing the Number or principal part of ſuch hebel  
 or orders, or Counterfeiting the hand of any perſon to it thereby to  
 procure a fraudulent assignment, or ſelling any ſuch Counterfeit  
 order knowing of the forgery 12 A. cap. 2. 5 G. 1. cap. 3. 5 G. 13  
 Forgery the Common ſeal of the Bank of England or ſealed  
 hand bill, or any hand note ſigned for the Company of the  
 ſaid bank, or Raising an Invoicement upon ſuch bank bill or Note  
 5 G. 1. W. 3. cap. 19. 5 G. 6. Forgery the Common ſeal of the South ſea  
 Company, or Counterfeiting or uttering any of their bonds, or  
 offering to Diſpoſe of any ſuch Counterfeit or altered bond  
 knowing the ſame to be ſuch, or Demanding the Money of the  
 Company 9 A. cap. 21. 5 G. 6. is felony without the Benefit of Clergy  
 29. But the Counterfeiter Receiver or T. Maſter of a Baggage  
 Certificate Return, tranſire, hel paſſ or other Cuſtom house  
 Warrant, for ſets only 100 pound ſterling and the Baggage  
 Certificate or Return is void and of no Effect. The Officer of  
 any port Wharfe or Wood making a falſe Certificate of  
 any goods or Merchandizes which ſhould have been landed  
 out of any ſhip or Veſſel ſhall loſe his Employment, be  
 forfeit 30 pound ſterling and ſuffer a Years Imprifonment, be  
 incapable to ſerve the King in any place of truſt Power  
 being his Cuſtoms, and be further liable to ſuch other  
 penal puniſhment as the Court of Exchequer ſhall think  
 fit 13 & 14 Car. 2. cap. 11. 5 G. 1. And a ſervant taken  
 Counterfeit or forged teſtimonials, is to be whipt as a Vagabond  
 5 Eliz. cap. 4. 5 G. 1.

Whoſe at firſt puniſhed only falſe Notaries  
 or whoſe who make or cauſe make or uſe writtingly falſe  
 Inſtruments in their perſon and goods with all Rigour  
 according to the ſtatute of the Common Law both  
 Canon and Civil and the Statutes of the Realm 13 & 14  
 Car. 2.