

them, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding three years, with or without hard labour.

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Every second offence of uttering, etc., after a previous conviction shall be felony.
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13. Whosoever, having been convicted of any such misdemeanour as is mentioned in section 10, 11 or 12, or of any felony against this Act, shall afterwards commit any of the misdemeanours in any of the said sections mentioned, shall be guilty of felony, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable, to be imprisoned for life, with or without hard labour.

Uttering foreign coin, medals, etc., as current coin, with intent to defraud.

14. Whosoever shall, with intent to defraud, tender, utter, or put off as or for any current gold or silver coin, any coin not being such current gold or silver coin, or any medal or piece of metal, or mixed metals, resembling in size, figure, and colour the current coin as or for which the same shall be so tendered, uttered, or put off, such coin, medal or piece of metal, or mixed metals so tendered, uttered, or put off, being of less value than the current coin as or for which the same shall be so tendered, uttered, or put off, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one year, with or without hard labour.

Copper Coin

Counterfeiting, etc., copper coin.

15. Whosoever shall falsely make or counterfeit any coin resembling, or apparently intended to resemble or pass for any current copper coin; and whosoever without lawful authority or excuse (the proof whereof shall lie on the party accused) shall knowingly make or mend, or begin to proceed to make or mend, or buy or sell, or have in his custody or possession any instrument, tool, or engine adapted and intended for the counterfeiting of any current copper coin, or shall buy, sell, receive, pay, or put off, or offer to buy,

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sell, receive, pay or put off any false or counterfeit coin resembling, or apparently intended to resemble or pass for any current copper coin, at or for a lower rate or value than the same imports, or was apparently intended to import, shall be guilty of felony, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding seven years, with or without hard labour.

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16. Whosoever shall tender, utter, or put off any false or counterfeit coin resembling or apparently intended to resemble or pass for any current copper coin, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, or shall have in his custody or possession three or more pieces of false or counterfeit coin resembling or apparently intended to resemble or pass for any current copper coin, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, and with intent to utter or put off the same or any of them, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one year, with or without hard labour.

Uttering
base copper
coin.

Defacing the Coin

17. Whosoever shall deface any current gold, silver, or copper coin, by stamping thereon any names or words, whether such coin shall or shall not be thereby diminished or lightened, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one year, with or without hard labour.

Defacing
the coin by
stamping
words
thereon.

18. No tender or payment in money made in any gold, silver, or copper coin so defaced by stamping, as is mentioned in section 17, or defaced by piercing, or in any other manner shall be allowed to be a legal tender; and whosoever shall

Tender of
coin so
defaced not
to be a
legal tender.