

of others and by that means such forged paper is thrown into circulation with greater Facility and Security to the Authors thereof and it being judged reasonable that neighbouring Countries having intercourse in Trade should provide so far as in them lies against the debasing of their medium of Commerce

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Be it therefore enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Governor and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same, That if any Person or Persons shall within this Province prepare engrave stamp or print or cause or procure to be prepared engraved stamped or printed the counterfeit Resemblance of any paper Money which now is or hereafter may be circulated in Payments by legislative Authority in any British Colony or Plantation in America with Intention that such counterfeit paper shall be passed in Payments whether the same be so passed or not or if any person or persons shall in this Province pay or tender in Payment, any such counterfeit Money knowing the same to be forged or counterfeited, altered or erased every such person, being lawfully convicted shall be adjudged a Felon and shall suffer Death without Benefit of Clergy.

[Persons within this Province counterfeiting, &c. the Paper Money of any of the British Colonies in America, to be adjudged Felons and suffer Death.]
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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid That this Act shall continue and be in force from and after the passing thereof for and during the Term of five Years and to the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the End of the said five Years.

[Continuance.]

By the Lower House of Assembly June 28.th 1773.
Read and Assented to
Signed by Order
Jn.^o Duckett Cl. Lo. Ho.

On Behalf of the right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province I Will this be a Law.
Rob.^t Eden

By the Upper House of Assembly June 28.th 1773.
Read and Assented to
Signed by Order
U Scott Cl. Up. Ho.

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No. 6 An Act to enable the Commissioners for Emitting Bills of Credit to provide Stationary for the use of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly.

Be it enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Governor and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same That the Commissioners for Emitting Bills of Credit for the Time being shall and they are hereby empowered to remit to some Merchant in London the Sum of Thirty Pounds Sterling with Orders to lay out the same (deducting Commissions and Charges) in such Parchment, Paper, Ink Powder, and Quills as the said Commissioners shall direct any Law to the Contrary notwithstanding; which Stationary ware shall be purchased and shipped on the Risque of the Public of this Province and shall on its arrival be to and for the use of the

[Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit to remit £30 Sterling, to be laid out in Stationary for the use of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly.]