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IX. And be it enacted, That if any Subject or Inhabitant of this State, shall write or convey any Letter, or send or carry any Message, to any Person employed in the Service of *Great-Britain*, against the United States, or any of them, without the Leave of the Governor of this State, or some one of the General Officers of the Army of the United States, or shall knowingly receive or bring any Letter, or Message from any such Person, and shall not deliver or communicate the same, as soon as conveniently may be, to the Governor, or some one of the Judges or Justices of the Peace within this State, and shall be thereof convicted in any County Court of this State, such Person shall be fined not exceeding one hundred Pounds current Money, in the Discretion of the Court.

And for corresponding with Enemies, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That if any Subject or Inhabitant of this State, shall within or without this State, and if any Person whatever shall within this State, forge or counterfeit any of the Tickets in the United States Lottery, or shall forge or counterfeit any of the Certificates, Bills, or Notes of the Continental Loan-Office, or alter the Sum expressed in any of the said Certificates, Bills or Notes, or shall offer, or cause to be offered, in Payment, any such counterfeit, forged, or altered Certificate, Bill or Note, knowing the same to be counterfeit, forged, or altered, and shall be thereof convicted in the General Court, or shall stand mute, or peremptorily challenge above the Number of twenty of the Pannel, such Person shall suffer Death as a Felon, without Benefit of Clergy.

Persons forging Lottery Tickets, &c. to suffer Death.

XI. And be it enacted, That if any Subject or Inhabitant of this State, shall within or without this State, and if any Person whatever shall within this State, forge or counterfeit any of the Bills of Credit issued by Congress, or by any Assembly, Convention, Legislature, or other supreme Authority of this State, or any other of the United States, or shall alter the Sum expressed in any of the said Bills of Credit, or shall offer, or cause to be offered, in Payment, any such counterfeit, forged, or altered Bill of Credit, knowing the same to be counterfeit, forged, or altered, and shall be thereof convicted in the General Court of this State, or shall stand mute, or peremptorily challenge above the Number of twenty of the Pannel, such Person shall suffer Death as a Felon, without Benefit of Clergy.

Persons forging Bills of Credit to suffer Death.

XII. And be it enacted, That in Case this State shall be invaded by the Enemy, the Governor for the Time being, with the Advice of the Council, shall have full Power and Authority to arrest, or order to be arrested, all Persons whose going at Large the Governor and Council shall have good Grounds to believe may be dangerous to the Safety of this State, and the same Persons to confine during such Invasion, to such Places as the Governor and the Council shall think proper, or to limit such Persons to particular Districts in this State, or in their Discretion to discharge such Person on Security; and that during any Invasion of this State by the Enemy, the *Habeas Corpus* Act shall be suspended, as to all such Persons arrested by the Order of the Governor and Council.

In Case of Invasion Governor may arrest dangerous Persons, &c.

XIII. And