

knowing the same to be forged or fraudulently altered, any duplicate of any instrument, or any memorial, affidavit, affirmation, entry, certificate, indorsement, document, or writing, made or issued under the provisions of any Act heretofore passed by the Legislature of any one of the late Provinces of Upper Canada, Lower Canada or Canada, or 5 passed or hereafter to be passed by the Parliament of Canada, or by the Legislature of any one of the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, or New Brunswick, for or relating to the registry of deeds, or other instruments or documents respecting or concerning the title to or claims upon any real or personal property whatever, or forges, or counterfeits 10 the seal of or belonging to any office for the registry of deeds, or other instruments as aforesaid, or any stamp or impression of any such seal; or forges any name, hand-writing or signature, purporting to be the name, hand-writing or signature of any person to any such memorial, affidavit, affirmation, entry, certificate, indorsement, document, or 15 writing, required or directed to be signed by or by virtue of any Act, passed, or to be passed, or offers, utters, disposes of, or puts off, any such memorial or other writing as in this section before mentioned, having thereon any such forged stamp or impression of any such seal, or any such forged name, hand-writing or signature, knowing the same to be forged, is guilty of felony, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in 20 the Penitentiary, for any term not exceeding fourteen years and not less than two years, or to be imprisoned in any other gaol or place of confinement for any term less than two years, with or without hard labour, and with or without solitary confinement.

*As to forging orders, &c., of Justices of the Peace.*

Forging orders of justices, recognizances, affidavits, &c.

**38.** Whosoever, with intent to defraud, forges or alters, or offers, 25 utters, disposes of or puts off, knowing the same to be forged or altered, any summons, conviction, order or warrant, of any Justice of the Peace, or any recognizance purporting to have been entered into before any Justice of the Peace or other officer authorized to take the same, or any examination, deposition, affidavit, affirmation or solemn 30 declaration, taken or made before any Justice of the Peace, is guilty of felony, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in the Penitentiary for any term not exceeding three years nor less than two years, or to be imprisoned in any other gaol or place of confinement for any term less than two years, with or without hard labour, and with or without 35 solitary confinement.

*As to forging the names of Judges, &c.*

Forging name of Judges, &c.

**39.** Whosoever, with intent to defraud, forges or alters any certificate, report, entry, indorsement, declaration of trust, note, direction, authority, instrument or writing made or purporting to be made by any Judge, officer or clerk, of any Court in Canada, or the 40 name, hand-writing or signature of any such Judge, officer or clerk, as aforesaid, or offers, utters, disposes of, or puts off any such certificate, report, entry, indorsement, declaration of trust, note, direction, authority, instrument or writing, knowing the same to be forged or altered, is guilty of felony, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in the Peniten- 45 tiary for any term not exceeding fourteen years and not less than two years, or to be imprisoned in any other gaol or place of confinement for any term less than two years, with or without hard labour, and with or without solitary confinement.

*As to falsely acknowledging recognizances, &c.*

Acknowledging recogniz-

**40.** Whosoever, without lawful authority or excuse (the proof where- 50 of shall lie on the party accused), in the name of any other person ac-