

INJURIES TO COIN ACT, 1839

ACT NO. XXXI. OF 1839

(Rep., Act 8 of 1868)

[23d December, 1839.]

*Passed by the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council, on the 23d December, 1839.*

AN Act for remedying certain defects in the Statute 9th George IV Ch. 74, relating to the Coin.

I. Whereas it is expedient to remedy certain defects in the Statute 9th George IV Ch. 74, of which the inconvenience is particularly experienced relating to injuries to the Coin:

It is hereby enacted, that if any person shall fraudulently clip, file, drill, deface, or debase any current gold or silver Coin issued from any Mint of the East India Company, or usually received as money in any part of the Territories under the Government of the East India Company, with intent to make the Coin so clipped, filed, drilled, defaced, or debased pass for the current gold or silver Coin so issued, or usually received as money as aforesaid, every such offender shall be guilty of felony, and shall be liable, on conviction, at the discretion of the Court, to be transported to such place as the Court shall direct for life or any term of years, or to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding four years.

II. And it is hereby provided, that it shall not be lawful for any Court under the authority of this Act, to order the transportation of any person being a native of the East Indies, and not born of European parents, to the Eastern Coast of New South Wales, or any of the Islands adjacent thereto.

III. And it is hereby enacted, that this Act shall extend to all persons and over all places over whom or which the criminal jurisdiction of any of Her Majesty's Courts of Justice within the Territories under the Government of the East India Company extends, but not further, or otherwise.

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