

the same, the Duty of One Shilling, in Bills of Credit; and the several and respective Clerks aforesaid, are hereby obliged and required to take and receive the same. Liber H. S.  
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And be it further Enacted, That all and every Charter-party, Bond, Bill, or other obligatory Instrument, under the Seal of the Party, except those taken in the Loan-Office, and all and every Protest or other notorial Act, and Letter of Attorney, which shall, after the twentieth Day of June next, be made in this Province, shall be made and wrote on Paper or Parchment, which, before the writing thereon, shall be stamped by some County Clerk, within this Province, with the Seal of the Court whereof he is Clerk, and whereon such Clerk hath wrote "Duty paid," and signed his Name; for each and every of which Stamps and Certificates, the Person or Persons requiring the same, shall pay unto the same Clerk the Sum of Six Pence, in Bills of Credit, to and for the Uses in this Act mentioned. [On Charter-  
parties,  
Bonds,  
Bills, and  
other obli-  
gatory In-  
struments  
under Seal.]

And be it further Enacted, That the several and respective County Clerks, within this Province, for the Time being, shall be, and are hereby obliged and directed, upon Application to him or them made, and Payment of Six Pence, in Bills of Credit, for each Seal and Certificate as aforesaid, to stamp with his or their respective County Seals as many Sheets and Pieces of Parchment and Paper as shall be required; and shall and are hereby obliged and directed to receive and take for each Seal and Certificate the aforesaid Sum of Six Pence, in Bills of Credit, to and for the Uses in this Act mentioned. [County  
Clerks  
obliged to  
stamp Paper  
for Instru-  
ments.]

And be it further Enacted, That all and every Charter-Party, Bill, Bond, or other obligatory Instrument, under the Seal of the Party, and all and every Protest or other notorial Act, and Letter of Attorney, which shall, after the twentieth Day of June next, be made in this Province, and shall be wrote on any Parchment or Paper, which, at the Time of the making and executing thereof, shall not be stamped and certified in Manner aforesaid, by some County Clerk in this Province, shall be utterly void, and of no Effect, and shall not be pleadable or admitted in Evidence in any Court in this Province, or before any Magistrate; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary, notwithstanding. [Bonds, &c.  
not pleadable  
except they  
are stamp'd.]

And be it further Enacted, That all and every the several and respective Clerks of the several and respective Courts aforesaid, for the Time being, during the Continuance of this Act, who shall deliver out of his or their Office or Offices any of the Writs aforesaid, or record any Indenture, Conveyance, Lease, or Deed-Poll, before the Duty aforesaid thereon hath been paid, such Clerk or Clerks shall be liable to, and obliged to pay all such Duties, which he or they hath or have so neglected to receive. p. 246  
[Clerks not  
to issue  
Writs, or  
make Rec-  
ords, unless  
seal'd.]