

WINE AND SPIRITS (SALE TO SOLDIERS AND SAILORS).

7 OF 1879.

TO PREVENT THE SELLING OF WINE AND SPIRITS TO SOLDIERS OR TO SHIPS OF HER MAJESTY'S NAVY AND OTHER OFFENCES.

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Punishment
for selling
liquor to
soldiers.

1. Any person who in the neighbourhood of any military camp or cantonment, without authority of the officer commanding such camp or cantonment, shall sell wine or spirits to any soldier shall, upon conviction before the officer commanding the camp or cantonment, be liable to a fine not exceeding five pounds, or to imprisonment with hard labour for one month, or both.

Spirituous
or fermented
liquors not
to be brought
on board Her
Majesty's
ships without
Commander's
consent.

2. It shall not be lawful for any person to bring on board any of Her Majesty's ships or vessels any spirituous or fermented liquor of any description without the previous consent of the officer commanding the ship or vessel on board of which the same may be brought.

Power to
search boats
and seize
spirits, etc.

3. Any officer in Her Majesty's service, or warrant or petty officer of the navy, or warrant officer or non-commissioned officer of marines, with or without seamen or persons under his command, may search any vessel approaching or which may have approached any of Her Majesty's ships or vessels; and if any spirituous or fermented liquor is found on board such boat or vessel may seize such spirituous or fermented liquor, and it shall be forfeited to Her Majesty.

Penalty on
offenders.

4. Any person who shall bring any spirituous or fermented liquor on board any of Her Majesty's ships or vessels without the previous consent of the officer commanding the ship or vessel, or shall approach any of Her Majesty's ships or vessels for the purpose of bringing any spirituous or fermented liquor on board without such previous consent, or for the purpose of giving or selling without such previous consent spirituous or fermented liquor to men in Her Majesty's service, or of aiding or assisting any officer, seaman, or marine in Her Majesty's service to desert or improperly absent himself from his ship or vessel, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding three pounds.

Aiding
desertion, etc.