1900, ch. 579, sec. 19.

19. Except as expressly provided in the preceding section, nothing therein contained nor any act thereunder shall change or affect the present rules of evidence in the present presumptions of law.

ARTICLE LXXXIV.

SEAMEN.

- Harboring or secreting seamen; penalty.
- Warrant for search for such secreted seamen.
- Vessels not to be boarded by lodging house keepers, shipping brokers, etc., without permission of master.
- 4. Penalty.
- Master may arrest such persons.
- Party arrested must prove on his trial that he had such permission.
- 7 Reduction of pay of incapable seaman shipping as flist-class seaman.
- 8. Copy of shipping articles sworn to by master to be evidence.
- Depositions of master or transient witness may be taken, when and how.

1888, art. 84, sec. 1. 1860, art. 85, sec. 1. 1856, ch. 198, sec. 1.

1. Any person, either on ship-board or on shore, who shall harbor or secrete, or who shall in any way assist in harboring or secreting a seaman who shall have signed shipping articles to proceed on a voyage, or who shall persuade, or in any manner cause such seaman to desert or disregard the articles which he has signed, shall on conviction be punished by a fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the judge who tries the case; the fine to be not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, and the imprisonment to be not less than one month nor more than six months.

Tbid. sec 2. 1860, art. 85, sec. 2. 1856, ch. 198, sec. 2.

2. On complaint on oath being made by the master of a vessel, or some person in his behalf, that a seaman or boy apprenticed has deserted from his vessel, and that he is harbored, secreted or detained, any justice of the peace may issue a warrant under his hand and seal to cause search to be made in any place wherein the said seaman or apprentice is supposed to be harbored or secreted, and shall cause such