

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.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That any Justice of the Peace may, on complaint or 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, 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 seaman or apprentice when found, to be delivered to the master of the vessel to which he belonged, or the person acting in his behalf.

Justice of Peace to issue warrant.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That no keeper of a public or lodging house for seamen shall withhold or detain any chest, bed or bedding, clothes, tools, or other effects of any seaman for any debt alleged to be due by the seaman; and on examination any Justice of the Peace may, by warrant, cause the detained property to be seized and delivered to the seaman.

Boarding house keeper not allowed to detain clothes, tools, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That any master or keeper of a boarding or lodging house for seamen; any servant, agent or other person in their employment; any broker, shipping master, or other person engaged in the business of procuring and furnishing seamen for vessels, who shall go on board of any vessel in any of the harbors of this State without having previously obtained permission of the master or other person having charge of the vessel, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Certain persons not allowed to go aboard vessels without permission.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the class of persons above named, on conviction for unlawfully going on board a vessel shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, and be imprisoned not less than one month nor more than six months, at the discretion of the Judge who tries the case.

Liable to fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That any master or person in charge of a vessel shall have power to seize

Power to arrest.