

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS.

Art 30, s 164
1725, c 6, 1747,
c 17 1824, c 53,
ss 1, 2, 1830, c
32, s 1, 1844, c
173, 1846, c 145
Erecting booths,
etc., for sale of
spirituous
liquors, etc,
near religious
meeting, or
selling near
same.

Punishment.

Id s 165
1824, c 53, s 2,
1827, c 29, s 1
Goods forfeited

Sheriff to arrest
offenders and
seize goods.

Justice to con-
demn property

Id s 166
1824, c 53, s 3
Who exempt.

Id s 167
1824, c 53, s 5,
1827, c 29, s 2,
1849, c 195
Disturbing con-
gregation

119. If any person shall erect, place, or have any booth, stall, tent, carriage, boat, vessel, or other vehicle or contrivance whatever, for the purpose or use of selling, giving, or otherwise disposing of any kind of spirituous or fermented liquors, or any other articles of traffic; or shall sell, give, barter, or otherwise dispose of any spirituous or fermented liquors, or any other articles of traffic, within two miles of any camp meeting, or other place of religious worship, during the time of holding any meeting for religious worship at such place, such person, on conviction before a justice of the peace, for the first offence shall be fined not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and stand committed to jail until the fine and costs are paid; and for the second offence shall be fined as aforesaid, and be imprisoned not less than ten nor more than thirty days.

120. If any person shall commit an offence against the provisions of the preceding section he shall, in addition to the penalties therein mentioned, forfeit all such spirituous or fermented liquors and other articles of traffic, and all the chests and other things containing the same, belonging to and in the possession of the person so offending, together with such booth, stall, tent, carriage, boat, vessel, vehicle, or other contrivance or thing prepared and used in violation of said section. And it shall be the duty of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, or constable, if he sees any person violating the preceding section, to arrest the offender and carry him before a justice of the peace. The sheriff, deputy sheriff, or constable, when he arrests the offender, shall seize the property hereby declared to be forfeited, or shall seize the same on a warrant against the offender, if such offender cannot be found; and the justice of the peace before whom such offender is convicted, or before whom the warrant is returned that the offender cannot be found, shall enter judgment of condemnation against such property, and issue a *fiery facias* for the sale thereof; *provided*, the person who has been returned not found, and whose property has been condemned in his absence, may appear at any time before the sale of the property and have the case tried, as if he had appeared at the return of the warrant.

121. The provisions of the two preceding sections shall not apply to any licensed tavern-keeper, merchant, shop-keeper, farmer, or other person, in the usual and lawful transaction of his ordinary business, in the usual place of transacting such business, or to any person having permission in writing from the supervisor of such meeting, to sell such articles as may be named in such permission.

122. If any person shall disturb any congregation, society, or meeting assembled for the purpose of religious worship, by blowing horns or trumpets, firing guns, or by any riotous or disorderly conversation, or by any other means, with intent to interrupt or disturb the worship, devotion, or exercises of such congregation, society, or meeting, or of any of the persons attending such meeting, he, on