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JOINT COURT OF THE NEW HEBRIDES.

PLAINTIFF

The Public Prosecutor

DEFENDANT.

versus

Alfred Roziers,
Planter, Mele.

HEARING. The 9th April 1912.

CHARGED WITH having committed a breach of Article LIX
of the Convention.

J U D G M E N T .

This ninth day of April 1912, in the matter of a charge
against Alfred Roziers, Planter of Mele,

the above named Alfred Roziers stands convicted before
the Joint Court for that on the 26th March 1912 he unlawfully
supplied certain liquor to wit six bottles of wine and six
bottles of rum to natives of the New Hebrides, contrary to *Articles*
LIX & LXI of the Convention of the 20th October 1906, which
are as follows:-

Art. LIX. (1) From the date when the present Convention comes
into operation no person shall, in the New Hebrides, including
the Banks and Torres Islands, and within the territorial waters
of the Group, sell or supply intoxicating liquors to the natives,
in any form and on any pretext whatsoever.

(2) Alcoholic drugs or cordials employed in case of
disease or sickness are not included in the present prohibition.

(3) The present prohibition shall cover spirits, beer,
wine, and generally all fermented and intoxicating liquors.

Art. LXI. (1) Any breach by non-natives of Articles LVII, LIX,
and LX shall be punishable by a fine of from 4/- to £20 and
imprisonment ranging from one day to one month, or by either
of these penalties.

(2) The Joint Court shall inflict the penalties and
may further order the forfeiture of the arms, ammunition, or
intoxicating liquors, and shall decide as to their disposal or
destruction.

1. As to the nullity of the Procedure:-

Whereas the Procedure followed before the Court is valid; there
is therefore necessity to throw aside the plea of nullity
put forward by the defendant;

2.

Thereupon the Joint Court sentences the said
Alfred Roziers, Planter of Mele, for his said offence, to a
fine of two pounds (£2), and to pay the costs of the prosecution.
for the Joint Court.

Alfred Roziers

The President.

Beugnot
Registrar.

