be construed to extend equally to the feminine, and vice versa; and all words importing the singular number shall be construed to extend equally to the plural, and vice versa.

Limitation of penalties and terms of imprisonment.

Proviso.

XXXI.—And be it enacted, That in all cases where the penalty to be imposed for any offence against the provisions 5 of this Act, or any part thereof, is not limited by the foregoing sections of this Act, no greater fine shall be imposed than the sum of Five Pounds; nor shall any person be imprisoned for a longer period than Two Calendar Months : Provided always that nothing in this Act shall be construed 10 to limit the power of the Court of Quarter Sessions, or any of the Superior Courts of Common Law as to inflicting penalties.