



## GENEVA CONVENTION ACT, 1911.

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HIS Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor desires that attention should be drawn to the Geneva Convention Act, 1911, the provisions of which do not appear to be as well known as they should be, while contraventions of it are being frequently reported to the British Red Cross Society.

The Act prohibits the use by any person, for trade business, or any other purpose whatsoever, without the authority of the Army Council, of the emblem of a red cross on a white ground, or of the words "Red Cross" or "Geneva Cross." The penalty for infringing the Act is a fine not exceeding £10 and the forfeiture of the goods on which the emblem or words are used..

In the case of a company or society guilty of any contravention of the Act, every director, manager, secretary, and other officer of the company or society who is knowingly guilty of such contravention is liable to the like penalty.

In the case, however, of the proprietor of a trade-mark registered before the passing of the Act, containing such emblem or words, he may use such trade-mark for a period of four years from the passing of the Act, or, if such trade-mark expires during such four years, then for a period of four years from the renewal of the registration of such trade-mark.

If any unauthorized use of the red cross is persisted in after a warning from the police, a prosecution will be instituted against the offender.

By order,

B. E. SARGEAUNT,

Government Secretary.

Government Office,

Isle of Man,

26th September, 1914.