

CATTLE CERTIFICATES.

9 OF 1889.

TO AMEND AND EXPLAIN THE LAW AS TO THE MEASURES PROPER TO BE TAKEN AND CARRIED OUT FOR THE PREVENTION OF THEFT OF OXEN, BUFFALOES, ASSES, AND OTHER GREGARIOUS ANIMALS.

HENRY BULWER.]

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1. The Law on the seven hundred and forty-second page of the first volume of the *Destour* "as to the measures proper to be taken and carried out for the prevention of the theft of oxen, buffaloes, asses, and other gregarious animals" shall be deemed to apply to all oxen and other neat cattle and all horses, mules, asses, camels, sheep, goats, and swine, and shall be construed as if the word "animals" therein meant and included every animal of any of the kinds above mentioned.

Short title

2. This Law may be cited as the Cattle Certificate Law, 1889.

CERTIFYING OFFICERS.

8 OF 1888.

TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS TO CERTIFY SIGNATURES AND SEALS.

HENRY BULWER.]

[May 2, 1888.]

High Commissioner may appoint certifying officers.

1. The High Commissioner may from time to time appoint such persons as he shall think fit to issue certificates that the signatures subscribed or seals affixed to documents are the signatures or seals of the persons whose signatures or seals they purport to be; they shall be styled "certifying officers" and shall be appointed by an instrument in writing under the hand of the Chief Secretary to the Government. Every such appointment may be revoked by the High Commissioner in like manner; and every such appointment and revocation shall be notified in the *Cyprus Gazette*.

2. Every certifying officer shall on his appointment be furnished with a seal of a pattern to be approved by the High Commissioner, and shall pay to the Government of Cyprus a fee of five shillings to defray the cost of the seal.

Each certifying officer to have a seal and furnish specimens of his signature.

He shall also furnish copies or specimens of his signature as follows:—

One to each District Commissioner; one to the Registrar of each District Court; one to the Island Treasurer; and one to the Registrar of the Supreme Court. Such copies or specimens shall be kept by the officers to whom they are entrusted and shall be produced by them when thereto lawfully required in any proceeding before any Court of Justice in Cyprus.

3. Each certifying officer shall be appointed for a particular place or area to be named in his appointment and shall perform the duties of his office at the place or within the area so named and no other.

Appointment to be local.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Law it shall be the duty of every certifying officer appointed under the provisions of this Law, when thereto required, to certify that the signature or seal subscribed or affixed to any document is the signature or seal of the person whose signature or seal it purports to be. Such certification shall be effected by inscribing upon the document a certificate in one of the forms in the Schedule, or to the like effect; and by affixing thereto the seal of the certifying officer.

Duty of certifying officer to certify signatures and seals.

5. No certifying officer shall certify any signature or seal unless,—

(1.) The signature or seal is affixed to the document in his presence; and

(2.) The person signing or sealing the document is personally known to the certifying officer, or his identity is attested by two persons personally known to the certifying officer, who shall sign the document as witnesses to the seal or signature of the principal party.

When signature or seal may be certified.

6. No certifying officer shall certify any signature or seal under this Law to any document unless the document is written legibly, continuously, and without erasure, interlineation, blank, or interval.

Requisites of document for certification.

7. Certificates purporting to be made by a certifying officer in accordance with the provisions of this Law shall be receivable as evidence of the facts thereby certified in all Courts of Justice in Cyprus.

Certificate to be evidence of facts certified.

8. There shall be taken by every certifying officer in respect of every signature or seal certified by him under the provisions of this Law the sum of four and a half piastres.

Fee on certificate.