

SHIPWRECKED PASSENGERS.

3 OF 1889.

TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF HARBOURING AND FORWARDING
SHIPWRECKED PASSENGERS.

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1. In this Law "Passenger Ship" means every description of sea-going vessel carrying one or more passenger or passengers on any voyage from any place in Her Majesty's dominions to any place whatever. Definition.

2. If any passengers of any passenger ship shall be rescued from shipwreck either by being taken off the ship or by being picked up at sea from any boat, raft, or otherwise, and the port or place to which they are conveyed is in Cyprus, the High Commissioner or any person authorized by him for the purpose may defray all or any part of the expenses thereby incurred. Expenses of receiving shipwrecked persons.

3. If any passenger on any passenger ship shall without any neglect or default of his own find himself in any port or place in Cyprus other than that for which the ship was originally bound, or at which he or any other person on his behalf may have contracted that he should land, the High Commissioner or any person authorized by him for such purpose may forward him to his intended destination, unless the master of the ship shall within forty-eight hours of the arrival of the passenger give to the High Commissioner a written undertaking to forward him or carry him on within six weeks thereafter to his original destination, and unless the master shall accordingly forward or carry him on within that period. High Commissioner may send on passengers if master of ship fail to do so.

4. All expenses incurred under this Law by or by the authority of the High Commissioner, including the cost of maintaining passengers until forwarded to their destination, and of all necessary bedding, provisions and stores, shall become a debt to the Government of Cyprus from the owner, charterer and master of the ship, and shall be recoverable from them or from any one or more of them at the suit of the Queen's Advocate, for the use of the said Government in like manner as in the case of other debts to the said Government. Expenses under this Law a debt due to Crown.