

THE GENEVA CONVENTION IMPLEMENTING ACT.

[INDIA ACT XIV, 1936.]

(27th October, 1936.)

WHEREAS India was a signatory to the International Convention for the amelioration of the Conditions of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field, drawn up in Geneva and dated the 27th day of July, 1929;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for the discharge of the obligations imposed by Article 28 of that Convention in so far as provision has not been made by the Geneva Convention Act, 1911;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. * * * *

Prohibition of use of imitation of emblem of red cross on white ground.

2. No person shall use for the purposes of his trade or business or for any other purpose whatsoever any sign constituting a colourable imitation of the heraldic emblem of the red cross on a white ground formed by reversing the federal colours of Switzerland.

Prohibition of use of emblem of white cross on red ground or imitations thereof.

3. No person shall use for the purposes of his trade or business the heraldic emblem of the white cross on a red ground, being the federal colours of Switzerland, or any sign constituting a colourable imitation of that heraldic emblem.

Penalty.

4. Any person contravening the provisions of section 2 or section 3 shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees, and when such contravention is committed by a company, association or body of individuals, then, without prejudice to the liability of such company, association or body, every member thereof who is knowingly a party to the contravention shall be liable to the like penalty.

Previous sanction for prosecution.

5. No criminal Court shall take cognizance of any offence punishable under this Act except with the previous sanction of the President of the Union.

Saving.

6. Nothing in the foregoing sections shall affect the right of any person to continue to use for a period of two years from the 27th October, 1936, any sign or emblem which it was not unlawful for him to use on the 27th October, 1936.