



THE  
STATUTE LAWS OF CYPRUS  
1878 TO 1923.

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS.

4 OF 1878.

FOR DEFINING THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS OF THE  
ISLAND OF CYPRUS.

G. J. WOLSELEY.]

[January, 17, 1879.]

**W**HEREAS under the Government of the Sublime Porte, the Island of Cyprus, constituting a Sanjak of the Vilayet of Rhodes, was divided for administrative purposes into certain Qazas, and each Qaza into certain Nahiehs; and whereas it is expedient to introduce certain changes in these divisions:

Be it therefore enacted:—

1. This Law may be cited for all purposes as the Administrative Short title. Divisions Law, 1878.

The Island to be administered by the High Commissioner with powers of Vali and Mutassarif.

2. The whole Island of Cyprus shall form one Government to be administered by the High Commissioner, who shall, in addition to his other powers, exercise all the authority and functions heretofore exercised in Cyprus by the Vali of the Vilayet of Rhodes, as well as all the authority and functions heretofore exercised by the Mutassarif of the Sanjak of Cyprus, and the title, functions, and authority of the Mutassarif shall cease to exist.

Power to High Commissioner to define limits of administrative divisions.

3. The High Commissioner shall from time to time by Proclamation limit and define any one or more of the several Qazas or Districts of the Island, as also any one or more of the Nahiehs of any Qaza or District, or proclaim any Qaza or District or any part of a Qaza or District as part of or within any other Qaza or District, or any Nahieh or part of a Nahieh as part of or within any other Nahieh; and every such Proclamation shall, during its continuance, have all the force and effect of law.

Commissioners to supersede Qaimaqams.

4. The functions, powers, and jurisdiction of every kind heretofore vested in and exercised by the Qaimaqam of each Qaza or District shall be exclusively vested in and exercised by the Commissioner duly appointed to that District by authority of the High Commissioner. Provided that it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of any District to delegate to the Assistant Commissioner, duly appointed by the High Commissioner, all such executive functions, powers, and jurisdiction as he may deem expedient so to delegate, and all acts done by the Assistant Commissioner in pursuance of such delegation shall be as valid as if done by the Commissioner himself.

Mudirs and Mukhtars.

5. The functions and authority of Mudirs of Sub-Districts and of Mukhtars of villages, subject to any regulations which may have been or shall hereafter be made by the High Commissioner, shall be maintained as at present fixed by law.

## ADULTERATION.

See FOOD AND DRUGS.