

Owl, Short-eared (*Asio accipitrinus*).
 Owl, Tawny (*Syrnium aluco*).
 Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*).
 Siskin (*Chrysomitris spinus*).
 Titmouse, Crested (*Parus cristatus*).

II.—Eggs.

3. The taking or destroying the eggs of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited within the said County during the currency of this Order, viz. :—

Bullfinch (*Pyrrhula europæa*).
 Buzzard (*Buteo vulgaris*).
 Chough (*Pyrrhocorax graculus*).
 Creeper (*Certhia familiaris*).
 Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra*).
 Curlew (*Numenius arquatus*).
 Dipper (*Cinclus aquaticus*).
 Diver, Black-throated (*Colymbus arcticus*).
 Diver, Red-throated (*Colymbus septentrionalis*).
 Dotterel (*Eudromias morinellus*).
 Eagle, Golden (*Aquila chrysaetos*).
 Eagle, Sea (*Haliaeetus albicilla*).
 Eider Duck (*Somateria mollissima*).
 Goldfinch (*Carduelis elegans*).
 Gray Lag Goose (*Anser cinereus*).
 Great-crested Grebe (*Podiceps cristatus*).
 Greenshank (*Totanus canescens*).
 Gull, Blackheaded (*Larus ridibundus*).
 Hen Harrier (*Circus cyaneus*).
 Jay (*Garrulus glandarius*).
 Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*).
 Kingfisher (*Alcedo ispida*).
 Kite (*Milvus icinus*).
 Mallard (*Anas boschas*).
 Merlin (*Falco aesalon*).
 Nightjar (*Caprimulgus europæus*).
 Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*).
 Owl, Barn (*Strix flammea*).
 Owl, Long-eared (*Asio otus*).
 Owl, Short-eared (*Asio accipitrinus*).
 Owl, Tawny (*Syrnium aluco*).
 Oyster Catcher (*Haematopus ostralegus*).
 Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*).
 Phalarope, Red-necked (*Phalaropus hyperboreus*).
 Pintail Duck (*Anas acuta*).
 Plover, Golden (*Charadrius pluvialis*).
 Plover, Ringed (*Ægialitis hiaticula*).
 Pochard (*Fuligula ferina*).
 Quail (*Coturnix communis*).
 Redpoll, Lesser (*Linota rufescens*).
 Scoter (*Edemia nigra*).
 Sheld Duck (*Tadorna cornuta*).
 Shoveller (*Spatula clypeata*).
 Siskin (*Chrysomitris spinus*).
 Skua, Great (*Stercorarius catarrhactes*).
 Skua, Richardson's (*Stercorarius crepidatus*).
 Skylark (*Alauda arvensis*).
 Snipe (*Gallinago coelestis*).
 Teal (*Querquedula crecca*).
 Tern, Common (*Sterna fluviatilis*).
 Tern, Little (*Sterna minuta*).
 Tern, Sandwich (*Sterna cantiaca*).
 Titmouse, Crested (*Parus cristatus*).
 Tufted Duck (*Fuligula cristata*).
 Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*).
 Widgeon (*Mareca penelope*).
 Woodcock (*Scolopax rusticula*).
 Wren, Golden-crested (*Regulus cristatus*).

4. The taking or destroying the eggs of the Lapwing (*Vanellus cristatus*) is prohibited within

the said County after the fifteenth day of April in each year during the currency of this Order.

III.—Currency of Order.

5. This Order shall take effect on the first day of March 1899, and shall remain in force until the thirty-first day of December 1901.

IV.—Title.

6. This Order may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (County of Aberdeen) Order, 1899."

Given under my hand and seal of office at Whitehall this twenty-sixth day of January 1899.

L. S.

BALFOUR or BURLEIGH,
 Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

SCOTLAND—NORTHERN DISTRICT.

The Wild Birds Protection (County of Ross and Cromarty) Order, 1899.

Whereas by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896, as applying to Scotland, it is, amongst other things, provided as follows :—

Firstly.—Any person who between the first day of March and the first day of August in any year shall knowingly and wilfully shoot or attempt to shoot, or shall use any boat for the purpose of shooting or causing to be shot, any Wild Bird, or shall use any lime, trap, snare, net, or other instrument for the purpose of taking any Wild Bird, or shall expose or offer for sale, or shall have in his control or possession after the fifteenth day of March, any Wild Bird recently killed or taken, shall, on conviction of any such offence before the Sheriff, in the case of any Wild Bird which is included in the Schedule hereunto annexed, forfeit and pay for every such bird in respect of which an offence has been committed a sum not exceeding one pound, and, in the case of any other Wild Bird, shall for a first offence be reprimanded and discharged on payment of costs, and for every subsequent offence forfeit and pay for every such Wild Bird in respect of which an offence is committed a sum of money not exceeding five shillings, in addition to the costs. This section shall not apply to the owner or occupier of any land, or to any person authorised by the owner or occupier of any land, killing or taking any Wild Bird on such land not included in the Schedule hereto annexed.

Schedule to Act of 1880 as amended by Act of 1881.

American Quail.	Dotterel.
Auk.	Dunbird.
Avocet.	Dunlin.
Bee-eater.	Eider Duck.
Bittern.	Fern-owl.
Bonxie.	Fulmar.
Colin.	Gannet.
Cornish Chough.	Goatsucker.
Coulterneb.	Godwit.
Cuckoo.	Goldfinch.
Curlew.	Grebe.
Diver.	Greenshank.

NOTE.—By an Order of the Secretary for Scotland, dated 27th July 1891, the close time enacted by this section has been extended, so far as regards the County of Zetland, to the 31st day of August in each year.