

Ridley, W., 74, Cobden-road, Brighton.
 Ritchie, Thomas, 12, East Mayfield, Edinburgh.
 Rorie, George, 16, High-street, Perth.
 Scott, Thomas, 2, Sun-view, St. Luke's, Cork.
 Scott, W. P., 68, George-street, Edinburgh.
 Searle, T. J., Mansion House-chambers, Bucklersbury, London, E.C.
 Simmons, T. G., 28, Oriel-road, Fratton, Portsmouth.
 Smalley, Robert E., 9, Chapel-street, Preston.
 Smith, J. Aikman, 3, Thistle-court, Edinburgh.
 Smith, R. J., 59, St. Vincent-street, Glasgow.
 Smith, W. Arthur, 71, King-street, South Shields.
 Sowerbutts, Eli, Market-place, Manchester.
 Sower, F. L., 25, Iron-gates, Derby.
 Stickland, W. P., Three Legged Cross, Ringwood.
 Stroud, William George, 2, Manchester-square-mansions, Dorset-street, London, W.
 Swallow, W., 3, Oxford-place, Leeds.
 Thomas, J., 12, Hammet-street, Taunton.
 Townley, John E., Clive House, Montgomery.
 Turnbull, A., 9, John Dickie-street, Kilmarnock.
 Walton, T., 7, Portland-street, Southampton.
 Waterworth, Thomas, 68, Victoria-street, Blackburn.
 Watkins, T. J., Bank-chambers, Stockton-on-Tees.
 Watling, J. H., 40, Broad-street, Bristol.
 Watson, R., 40, Shakespeare-street, Nottingham.
 Watson, Richard, 12, Hargreaves-street, Burnley.
 Wheawill, Charles, 1, Imperial-arcade, New-street, Huddersfield.
 Wheawill, Cornelius, 1, Imperial-arcade, New-street, Huddersfield.
 White, James, 67, St. Michael's-hill, Bristol.
 Whyte, J. B., 94, High-street, Paisley.
 Williams, David M., Bryn Gelli House, Tony-pandy, Llwynpia, R.S.O., Glamorgan.
 Wood, T., 10, Norfolk-street, Manchester.
 Wyatt, John S., New Town Mills, West Stockport.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have, after modification, confirmed an Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and entitled the Tanat Valley Light Railway Order, 1898, authorizing the construction of a Light Railway from Porthywaen, in the county of Salop, to Llangynog, in the county of Montgomery.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens,
 January, 1899.

Scottish Office, Whitehall, January 7, 1899.

THE Secretary for Scotland hereby gives notice that the following Orders have been made by him under the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896, upon the application of the respective County Councils:—

SCOTLAND—NORTHERN DISTRICT.

The Wild Birds Protection (County of Banff) 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

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.

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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 authorized 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, Auk, Avocet, Bee-eater, Bittern, Bonxie, Colin, Cornish Chough, Coot, Culter, Cuckoo, Curlew, Diver, Dotterel, Dunbird, Dunlin, Eider Duck, Fern-owl, Fulmar, Gannet, Goatsucker, Godwit, Goldfinch, Grebe, Green-shank, Guillemot, Gull (except Black-backed Gull), Hoopoe, Kingfisher, Kittiwake, Lapwing, Lark, Loon, Mallard, Marrot, Merganser, Murre, Night-hawk, Nightjar, Nightingale, Oriole, Owl, Ox Bird, Oyster Catcher, Peewit, Petrel, Phalarope, Plover, Ploverspage, Pochard, Puffin, Purre, Razorbill, Redshank, Reeve or Ruff, Roller, Sanderling, Sandpiper, Scout, Sealark, Seamew, Sea Parrot, Sea Swallow, Shearwater, Shelldrake, Shoveller, Skua, Smew, Snipe, Solan Goose, Spoonbill, Stint, Stone Curlew, Stonehatch, Summer Snipe, Tarrock, Teal, Tern, Thicknee, Tystey, Whaup, Whimbrel, Wigeon, Wild Duck, Willock, Woodcock, Woodpecker.

Secondly.—The Secretary for Scotland may, upon application by the County Council of any administrative county by Order prohibit—

- (1) The taking or destroying of Wild Birds' eggs in any year or years in any place or places within that county; or
- (2) The taking or destroying the eggs of any specified kind of Wild Birds within that county or part or parts thereof, as recommended by the said County Council, and set forth in the said Order.

Thirdly.—The Secretary for Scotland may, on the representation of the Council of any administrative county, order that the principal Act shall apply within that county, or any part or parts thereof, to any species of Wild Bird not included in the Schedule of that Act, as if that species of Wild Bird were included in the Schedule of that Act.

Fourthly.—The powers exercisable by the Secretary for Scotland shall extend to the making of an Order prohibiting, for special reasons mentioned in the application, the taking or killing of particular kinds of Wild Birds during the whole or any part of that period of the year to which the protection of Wild Birds under the Act of 1880 does not extend, or the taking or killing of all Wild Birds in particular places during the whole or any part of that period.

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable Alexander Hugh, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the said Acts and upon application by the County Council of