

rope, 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, Tyatey, 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 the County of Ross and Cromarty, do hereby make the following Order:—

I.—BIRDS.

1. The "Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880," shall apply within the County of Ross and Cromarty during the currency of this Order to the following species of Wild Birds as if they had been included in the Schedule to the said Act, viz.:—

Buzzard (*Buteo vulgaris*). Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra*). Eagle, Sea (*Haliaëtus albicilla*). Gray Lag Goose (*Anser cinereus*). Hen Harrier (*Circus cyaneus*). Jay (*Garrulus glandarius*). Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*). Kite (*Milvus icinus*). Osprey (*Pandion haliaëtus*). Pintail Duck (*Anas acuta*). Quail (*Coturnix communis*). Scoter (*Edemia nigra*). Titmouse, Crested (*Parus cristatus*). Tufted Duck (*Fuligula cristata*).

2. The taking or killing of any of the following kinds of Wild Birds is prohibited, so far as concerns the said County, throughout the whole year during the currency of this Order:—

Buzzard (*Buteo vulgaris*). Chough (*Pyrrhonorax graculus*). Dotterel (*Eudromias morinellus*). Eagle, Sea (*Haliaëtus albicilla*). Goldfinch (*Carduelis elegans*). Great-crested Grebe (*Podiceps cristatus*). Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*). Kingfisher (*Alcedo ispada*). Kite (*Milvus icinus*). Osprey (*Pandion haliaëtus*). Owl, Barn (*Strix flammea*). Owl, Long-eared (*Asio otus*). Owl, Short-eared (*Asio accipitrinus*). Owl, Tawny (*Syrnium aluco*). 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.:—

Buzzard (*Buteo vulgaris*). Chough (*Pyrrhonorax graculus*). Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra*). Diver, Black-throated (*Colymbus arcticus*). Diver, Red-throated (*Colymbus septentrionalis*). Dotterel (*Eudromias morinellus*). Eagle, Sea (*Haliaëtus albicilla*). Eider Duck (*Somateria mollissima*). Goldfinch (*Carduelis elegans*). Gray Lag Goose (*Anser cinereus*). Great-crested Grebe (*Podiceps cristatus*). Greenshank (*Totanus canescens*). Hen Harrier (*Circus cyaneus*). Jay (*Garrulus glandarius*). Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*). Kingfisher (*Alcedo ispada*). Kite (*Milvus icinus*). Mallard (*Anas boscas*). Nightjar (*Caprimulgus europæus*). Osprey (*Pandion haliaëtus*). Owl, Barn (*Strix flammea*). Owl, Long-eared (*Asio otus*). Owl, Short-eared (*Asio accipitrinus*). Owl, Tawny (*Syrnium aluco*). Phalarope, Red-necked (*Phalaropus hyperboreus*). Pintail Duck (*Anas acuta*). Pochard (*Fuligula ferina*). Quail (*Coturnix communis*). Scoter (*Edemia nigra*). Shoveller (*Spatula clypeata*). Skua, Great (*Stercorarius catarrhæctes*). Skua, Richardson's (*Stercorarius crepidatus*). Skylark (*Alanda arvensis*). Snipe (*Gallinago cœlestis*). Teal (*Querquedula crecca*). Tern, Common (*Sterna fluviatilis*). Tern, Little (*Sterna minuta*). Tern, Sandwich (*Sterna cantiaea*). Titmouse, Crested (*Parus cristatus*). Tufted Duck (*Fuligula cristata*). Whimbrel (*Numenius phæopus*). Wigeon (*Mareca penelope*). Woodcock (*Scolopax rusticula*).

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 Ross and Cromarty) Order, 1899."

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



Balfour of Burleigh,
Her Majesty's Secretary
for Scotland.

Copies of the said Orders may be purchased, either directly or through any Bookseller, from Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding-street, Fleet-street, E.C., and 32, Abingdon-street, Westminster, S.W.; or John Menzies and Co., 12, Hanover-street, Edinburgh, and 90, West Nile-street, Glasgow; or Hodges, Figgis, and Co. Limited, 104, Grafton-street, Dublin.

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 28TH JANUARY 1899.)

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the