

hedge, or other obstruction or structure set, made, placed, erected, or maintained contrary to this section, may be destroyed by any person finding the same. Any person violating this section shall be liable to a penalty of five dollars for each offence. The possession of any hare or rabbit after the fifth day of March, shall be presumptive evidence of the same having been illegally killed or taken.

11. No person shall take, or kill, or pursue with intent to kill, or have in his possession, or set, or maintain any snare or trap for the Otter or the Mink, between the first day of May and the first day of November in any year, and no person shall take, or kill, or pursue with intent as aforesaid, any other animal valuable only for its fur, except the bear, the wolf, the loup-cervier, the wild cat, skunk, raccoon, woodchuck, and musquash, and the fox, between the first day of April and the first day of November in any year. The penalty for each offence against this section shall be five dollars.

12. Any person may catch alive at any season of the year, any number of minks, in any box, trap, or modification of the same, for the purpose of breeding and preserving the same. Hereafter, minks, when caught and kept under the authority of this section, shall be considered personal property of a private nature.

Provision respecting Birds.

13. No person shall take, or kill, or attempt to take or kill any grouse or partridge, between the first days of January and October in any year, or shall sell, buy or have in his possession, any grouse or partridge so taken between such last mentioned days, both inclusive; and no person shall take, or kill, or attempt to take or kill, or have in his possession, any woodcock, snipe, or teal, between the first days of March and August in any year. It shall not be lawful to take or kill, or have in possession, any blue winged duck during the months of April, May, June, and July in any year. The possession of any such bird, during the close season prescribed in this section in respect of such bird, shall be presumptive evidence of such bird having been illegally killed or taken. No person shall kill any woodcock before sunrise, or after sunset.

14. The killing, taking, or having as aforesaid, each partridge, grouse, woodcock, snipe, blue-winged duck, or teal, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offence; and any person violating the next preceding section, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five, nor more than ten dollars for each offence, and an additional penalty of one dollar for each bird so taken or killed, after, or in addition to the first bird.

15. It shall not be lawful for any person to take or kill within this Province, any pheasant, or to buy, sell, or have in his possession, any dead pheasant, that has been so taken or killed, under a penalty of two dollars for each offence.

16. Any dead pheasant found in the possession of any person within this Province, shall be presumed to have been taken or killed by such person contrary to this act, until proof to the contrary be given by such person.

17. The killing of robins, swallows, sparrows, and other small birds, and birds of song, which frequent the fields and gardens, and the selling and offering for sale, and the having in possession such birds when killed, shall hereafter be unlawful.