

III. It shall not be lawful to take, injure, destroy or have in possession any nest, young, or egg of any Bird, except of Eagles, Falcons, Hawks and other Birds of the Eagle kind, between the 1st day of March and the 1st day of August.

IV. This Act not to apply to imported Birds or to domesticated Birds or Poultry, nor shall it be unlawful to buy, sell or possess any Bird captured at a season not prohibited, but the proof that it was so taken to lie on the accused, whose oath alone shall suffice as such proof.

V. Offences against this Act to be punished with a penalty of not less than \$1 nor more than \$10, to be recovered in a summary manner before one Justice, with all fees and costs incurred, and in default of immediate payment, by imprisonment for not less than two nor more than twenty days.

VI. Any person may seize any Bird unlawfully possessed and carry same before a Justice to be confiscated. It shall be the duty of all Market Clerks and Police Officers on the spot to seize and confiscate, and if alive, to liberate such Birds; and any person may destroy all nets, traps, snares, cages or engines set, whereby any Birds might be unlawfully killed or taken.

VII. License may be granted to persons desirous of obtaining Birds or eggs for *bona fide* scientific purposes, such persons to be then exempt from penalties.

VIII. No conviction to be annulled for defect of form, as long as no substantial injustice results therefrom.

IX. This Act not to affect the provisions of any Game Acts.

The above provisions are taken from the Statutes of the Province of Canada, 27 & 28 Vic., Cap. 52, and are applicable to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

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VII. It is forbidden between the first day of March and the first day of September in any year to shoot kill or take by means of nets, traps, springs, snares, cages or otherwise, any of the birds known as perchers, such as Swallows, King-birds, Warblers, Fly-catchers, Wood-peckers, Whip-poor-wills, Finches, Song-sparrows, Red birds, Indigo birds, etc., (Cow-buntings, Tit-mice, Gold-finches, Grives, Robins, Wood-thrushes, etc.), King-lets, Bobolinks, Grackles, Grosbeaks, Humming Birds, Cuckoo, Owls, etc., or to take their eggs or nest, except Eagles, Falcons, Hawks, and other birds of the Eagle kind, Wild Pigeons, King-fishers, Crows, Ravens, Waxwings (Recollets), Shrikes, Jays, Magpies, Sparrows and Starlings; and whosoever finds any nets, traps, springs, snares, cages, etc., so placed or set may take possession of or destroy the same.

This section does not apply to poultry.

The penalty of every infringement of the above law is a fine of not less than two nor more than five dollars with costs. In default of immediate payment the offender is to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding three months.

No prosecution shall be brought after three calendar months from the day of committing of the offence charged.

XXI. The Commission of Crown Lands may grant written permits (according to form D) to any person or persons who may be *bona fide*, desirous of obtaining birds, eggs or fur bearing animals for scientific purposes during the close season, and such permits shall be countersigned by the Game Superintendent, and the persons who shall have obtained such permit shall not be liable to any penalty under this Act, provided he send in to the Department of Crown Lands at the expiration of such permit a solemn declaration showing the species and number of birds, eggs or fur bearing animals so procured by him for scientific purposes.