

- low, lark, oriole, red-bird, cat-bird, sparrow, whippowil, wren, pewit, goldfinch, sapsucker, hanging-bird and woodpecker; *provided*, that nothing contained in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent the killing or capture of crows, black-birds, hawks, owls, or other kinds of birds of prey; *provided*, however, that the robin may be shot from and after the first day of September until the first day of May, and that the bird known as the English mocking-bird shall not, under any circumstances, be shot, entrapped or caged, under a penalty of ten dollars.
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- Destroy or disturb eggs.      SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be unlawful for any person, knowingly and maliciously and unnecessarily, to destroy or disturb the eggs of any of the birds protected by the provisions of this Act.
- Person violating.      SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That any person violating any of the provisions of this Act shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not less than two dollars and not more than ten dollars for each offence, with costs of prosecution; and all prosecutions under this Act shall be in the name of the State, before any Justice of the Peace of the election district in which such violation may occur; and all fines, when collected under this Act, one-half thereof shall be paid to the informer, and the other half to the School Commissioners of Prince George's, Talbot and Montgomery counties, to be applied by them to the support of the public schools of said counties.
- Penalty.
- Possession *prima facie* evidence.      SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the possession by any person within said counties of any of the birds protected by this Act, as shot, trapped, killed, or otherwise destroyed, shall be *prima facie* evidence to make such person liable for the fine for the violation of the provisions of this Act; and it shall be the duty of all constables of said counties to arrest all persons they may detect in, or who may be charged with, the violation of any of the provisions of this Act, and take them before the nearest Justice of the Peace, to be dealt with as directed by this Act.
- Premium for killing.      SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the County Commissioners of Prince George's, Talbot and Montgomery counties shall pay the sum of fifty cents per