# \*5.7 BIRDS AND GAME.

# 1874, ch. 474.

1. It shall be unlawful for any person at any time to shoot or otherwise kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, any of the following named birds, within the limits of Baltimore county and Cecil county, viz: blue bird, thrush, martin, mocking bird, swallow, oriole, red bird, cat bird, sparrow, whippoorwill, wren, pewit, goldfinch, sapsucker, ground robin, hanging bird or woodpecker.

### Ibid.

2. It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly and unnecessarily to destroy or disturb the eggs of any of the above-mentioned birds.

#### Ibid.

3. Any person violating either of the two preceding sections, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined a sum not less than two dollars and not more than ten dollars for each offence, with the costs of prosecution; and all prosecutions shall be in the name of the State, before a justice of the peace of the election district in which such violation may occur; and of all such fines, when collected, one-half shall be paid to the informer and the other half to the treasurer of the county, to be applied to the support of the public schools of the county.

### Ibid.

4. The possession by any person, within said counties, of any of the above-mentioned birds, shot, killed or otherwise destroyed, shall be *prima-facie* evidence of the violation by such person of section 1; and it shall be the duty of the constables of said counties, respectively, to arrest all persons they may detect in, or who may be charged with the violation of sections 1 and 2, and take them before the nearest justice of the peace, to be dealt with according to law.

1878, ch. 405. 1880, ch. 392. 1882, ch. 57. 1888, ch. 538.

5. No person shall shoot or in any manner catch, kill or have in possession in Baltimore county any rabbit between the twentysixth day of December, said day included, and the first day of November next ensuing in each and every year, nor any wood-