

CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT to encourage the destruction of hawks and owls and foxes in Saint Mary's county.

Bounty. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That any person killing any hen-hawk, partridge-hawk, owl or fox within the limits of Saint Mary's county, shall be entitled to receive a bounty of twenty-five cents for each and every hawk and owl, and fifty cents for each and every fox so killed.

Necessary to produce. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That to obtain said bounty, it shall be necessary for the person killing said hen-hawk, partridge-hawk or owl or fox to produce the head or heads of such hawk or owl, and the brush of said fox, before some justice of the peace for Saint Mary's county, and at the same time make oath that the said hawk or owl or fox was killed within the limits of the said county, and within thirty days before the production of said head or heads, or brush, before the justice, and thereupon the said justice shall give a certificate of the production of the said head or heads, or brush, before him, and the taking of said oath, and it shall be the duty of the said justice to destroy the said head or heads, or brush, so as to prevent a second allowance upon the same.

Authorized to levy. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That upon the production of the said justice's certificate before the County Commissioners of Saint Mary's county, the said commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to levy upon the assessable property of Saint Mary's county a sum sufficient for the aforesaid bounties, for the use of the persons producing the same, and the collector of the taxes shall collect and pay the same accordingly.

Effective. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1880.