WILD BIRD (ENGLAND). The Wild Birds Protection (County of Kent) Order, 1899.

Dated 25th February, 1899.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896, and upon application by the County Council ci make the following Order:-

I. This Order may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (County of Kent) Order, 1899."

Eggs.

All Eggs Protected in Certain Areas.

II. The taking or destroying of Wild Birds' eggs is prohibited within the following areas in the county of Kent for the space of two years, from the 20th March, 1898:

1. So much of the Isle of Sheppey (including therein Elmley Island) as lies south of the road running from Queenborough, through Eastchurch,

to Warden Point.

2. An area bounded on the west by so much of the Sittingbourne and Sheerness Railway as lies between Kingsferry and the Sittingbourne Railway Station, and bounded on the south by the London Chatham and Dover Railway from Sittingbourne Railway Station to Whitstable Railway Station, and bounded on the east by the main road from Whitstable Stati n to the sea, and bounded on the north by the Swale and Whitstable Bay.

3. An area bounded on the west by the Minster and Deal branch of the South Eastern Railway from Minster Railway Station to Deal Railway Station, and bounded on the south by the road from Deal Railway Station to Deal Pier, and bounded on the east by the sea, and bounded on the north by the South Eastern Railway from

Minster Station to Ramsgate Station.

4. An area lying east and south of the main road from Walmer through Dover to Folkestone from the point where such road passes through the southern boundary of the Walmer Urban District to the point where such road enters the borough of Folkestone, such area being bounded on the east and south by the sea, and on the north by the Walmer Urban District, and on the south by the Borough of Folkestone.

5. An area lying south and west of the main road which runs from Appledore Railway Station through Snargate, Brenzett, and Old Romney, to New Romney Station, and thence to Littlestoneon-Sea, such area being bounded on the northwest by the Royal Military Canal from Appledore Railway Station to the Sussex Boundary, and bounded on the south-west by the Sussex Boundary, and on the south and east by the sea.

Certain Eggs protected outside the Metropolitan Police District.

III. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited within so much of the County of Kent as is not within the Metropoli an Police District: Bearded Tit (Reedling or Reed Pheasant), Buzzard, Fly Catchers (2), Goldfinch, Golden Oriole, Great Plover (Thick Knee), Hawfinch, Hen-harrier, Hobby, Honey Buzzard, Hoopoe, Kentish Plover, Kestrel, Kingfisher, Martin, Merlin, Nightingale, Osprey, Owl (all species), Peregrine Falcon, Swallow, Swift, Turtle Dove, Wryneck.

## Certain Eggs protected within the Metropolitan Police District.

IV. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited

the Metropolitan Police District:—Nightingale, Goldfinch, Lark, Nightjar, Woodpecker, Kingfisher, Cuckoo, Owls, Shrike, Kestrel, Wryneck, Swallow, Martins (2), Swift, Bearded Ti, Merlin, Hobby, Buzzard, Honey Buzzard, Osprey, Magnie, Wheatear, Stonechat, Whinchat, Redstart, Flycatchers (2), Sadge Warbler, Reed Warbler, Blackcap, Garden Warbler, Wood Warbler, Willow Warbler, Chiffichaff, Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Longtailed Tit, Nuthatch, Wren, Golden Crested Wren, Wagtails (4), Hawfinch, Linnet, Buntings (3), Starling, Landrail or Corncrake, Coot.

Birds.

Extension of Close Time throughout the County. V. The time during which the killing and taking of Wild Birds is prohibited by the Act of 1880, shall, except as regards the Common Wild Duck, be varied throughout the County of Kent, so as to be from the 1st day of March to the 12th day of August in each year.

All Birds protected on Sundays in certain Parishes.

VI. During the period from the 13th day of August in any year to the last day of February following the taking or killing of Wild Birds on Sundays is prohibited within so much of the County of Kent as is within the Metropolitan Police District, namely in the following parishes:—Beckenham, Bexley, Bromley, Chislehurst, Crayford, Down, Erith, Farnborough, Footscray, Hayes, Keston, St. Mary Cray, Mottingham, North Cray, Orpington, St. Paul's Cray, East Wickham and West Wickham.

Act of 1880 applied to Certain Birds outside Metropolitan Police District.

VII. "The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880," shall apply within so much of the County of Kent as is not within the Metropolitan Police District to the following species of Wild Birds in the same manner as if those species were included in the schedule to the Act :- Bearded Tit (Reedling or Reed Pheasant), Buzzard, Chaffinch, Flycatchers, (2), Hawfinch, Hen-harrier, Hobby, Honey Buzzard, Kentish Plover, Kestrel, Martin, Merlin, Moorhen, Osprey, Peregrine Falcon, Swallow, Swift, Turtle Dove, Wryneck.

Act of 1880 applied to Certain Birds within

Metropolitan Police District.
VIII. "The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880," shall apply within so much of the County of Kent as is within the Metropolitan Police District to the following species of Wild Birds in the same manner as if those species were included in the schedule to the Act: Shrike, Kestrel, Wryneck, Swallow, Martins (2), Swift, Bearded Tit, Merlin, Hobby, Buzzard, Honey Buzzard, Osprey, Magpie.

IX. The Order of the 25th May, 1898, is

hereby repealed.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 25th day of February, 1899.

M. W. Ridley, one of Her Majesty's

Principal Secretaries of State.

## SHORES OR BANKS OF THE SEA AT BEXHILL.

REMOVAL OF MATERIALS PROHIBITED. WHEREAS the Board of Trade, acting in pursuance of the Harbours Act, 1814, as amended by the Harbours Transfer Act, 1862, find it necessary for the protection of the Ports of Newhaven and Folkestone to prohibit the taking or removing of any shingle or ballast from the shores or banks of the sca letween Sea-lane, within so much of the County of Kent as is within | Kewhurst, and the eastern boundary of the dis-