WILD BIRD (ENGLAND).

The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of Norfolk) Order, 1914.

Dated 20th April, 1914.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the Council of the Administrative County of Norfolk, I hereby make the following Order:—

Title.

I. This Order may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of Norfolk) Order, 1914."

BIRDS.

Close Time extended.

II.—(a) The period during which the killing or taking of Wild Birds is prohibited by the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, shall be extended throughout the Administrative County of Norfolk, except the range of hills and foreshore known as Blakeney Point, so as to be between the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year, so far as regards all Birds mentioned in the Schedule to that Act, as amended by the Act of 1881, or added thereto by Clause III of this Order, except Woodcock, the close time for which shall be extended so as to be between the 1st day of February and the 13th day of August in each year, and Snipe, Teal and all species of Wild Duck, the close time for which will remain as fixed by the Act of 1880, namely, between the 1st day of March and the 1st day of August in each year.

(b) The close time for all Wild Birds throughout the Blakeney Point District above referred to shall be extended so as to be between the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year.

Additions to the Schedule of the Act of 1880.

III. The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, shall apply within the Administrative County of Norfolk to the following species of Wild Birds in the same manner as if those species were included in the Schedule to the Act:—

Great Bustard, Crossbill, Sand Martin, Bearded Tit (Reedling or Reed Pheasant).

Certain Birds protected during the whole of the Year.

IV. During that particular period of the year to which the protection afforded by the Act of 1880, and by Clause II of this Order, does not extend, the killing or taking of the Bittern, Little Bittern, Great Bustard, Goldfinch, Great Crested Grebe, Harrier (all species), Hobby, Hoopoe, Kingfisher, Golden Oriole, Owl (all species), Red Poll (all species), Siskin, Black-winged Stilt, Tern or Sea Swallow (all species), and Bearded Tit (Reedling or Reed Pheasant), is prohibited throughout the Administrative County of Norfolk.

All Birds protected on Sundays in certain Areas.

V. During that particular period of the year to which the protection afforded by the Act of 1880, and by Clause II of this Ordec, does not extend, the killing or taking of Wild Birds on Sundays is prohibited within the areas described in Article VI, paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of this Order.

Eggs.

All Eggs protected in certain Areas.

VI. The taking or destroying of the eggs of any species of Wild Birds is prohibited during the period expiring on the last day of February, 1919, within the following areas:—

- (a) Hickling Broad, Whitesley and Heigham Sounds, Blackfleet Broad, Horsey Mere, Martham and Somerton Broads, and the rands, skirts, and walls thereof, and fens and reed grounds appertaining thereto respectively, and the islands therein, and the dykes communicating therewith, including the Hundred Stream or Thurne River and ancient bed, and the rands and walls thereof from Heigham Bridge to the sea at Winterton, and all the marshes and low-lying and uncultivated lands, fens, reed grounds, warrens, marram or sand hills and sea shore, to the line of high-water mark, in the several parishes of Waxham, Horsey, Potter Heigham, and Hickling, and such part of the parish of Catfield as lies to the east of the Midland and Great Northern Joint Railway.
- (b) The warrens, marram or sand hills and sea shore, to the line of high-water mark, in the parish of Winterton.
- (c) Such parts of the Rivers Yare and Wensum as are within the Administrative County of Norfolk, and the streams communicating therewith; the River Bure and the streams communicating therewith; and Rockland and Surlingham Broads and the rands. skirts, and walls of each such river and broad, and fens and reed grounds appertaining thereto respectively, and the islands therein, and the dykes communicating therewith.
- (d) The series of Broads known as Ormesby, Rollesby, Hemsby, Filby, and Burgh Broads, and the rands, skirts, and walls thereof, and the dykes communicating therewith, and the fens, reed grounds, and low-lying lands, marshes, and pastures adjacent thereto, including Lady Broad or Hard Fen Water, in the parish of Filby, Brandyke Broad, in the parish of Burgh St. Margaret, and Muckfleet Dyke, and the marshes and low-lying lands and pastures near or adjacent thereto respectively.
- (e) The whole of the foreshore of the County of Norfolk, including the shingle, sand hills, salt marshes, creeks, and other unenclosed lands extending from high-water mark to the first boundary of enclosed or cultivated land separating the foreshore from them.

The approximate position of the rivers, open broads, and foreshores referred to above is shown in blue on a map deposited with the Clerk of the County Council, sealed with the Home Office Seal, and dated the 20th April, 1914.