

WILD BIRDS PRESERVATION.

THE ISLAND OF NAURU.

No. 14 of 1937.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the Preservation of Wild Birds.

BE it ordained by the Administrator of the Island of Nauru, acting in pursuance of the powers conferred by Article 1 of the Agreement dated the second day of July, 1919, between His Majesty's Government in London, His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Wild Birds Preservation Ordinance 1937*.

2. This Ordinance shall have force and effect as on and from the thirtieth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven.

3. The *Wild Birds Preservation Ordinance* (No. 12 of 1924) and the *Wild Birds Preservation Ordinance 1936* are hereby repealed.

4. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—
“Close season” means in respect to any bird specified in the First Schedule to this Ordinance the period set opposite the name of the bird in that Schedule.

5. Any person who without permission of the Administrator takes any bird specified in the Second Schedule shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds.

6. Any person who—

(a) knowingly and wilfully destroys, takes, causes to be destroyed, or taken, or

(b) uses any lime, trap, snare, net, or other instrument for the purpose of destroying or taking, or

(c) has in his possession, any bird specified in the First Schedule to this Ordinance during the period of close season set opposite the name of the bird

shall be liable on the first conviction to a penalty not exceeding One pound and on a subsequent conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds or imprisonment not exceeding fourteen days or both.

7. Any person who takes or destroys, or has in his possession any eggs of the birds specified in the First Schedule to this Ordinance during the period of close season set opposite the name of the birds shall be liable on the first conviction to a penalty not exceeding One pound and on a subsequent conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds or imprisonment not exceeding fourteen days or both.

THE SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Birds commonly known as—

Magpies	} 1st January to 31st December, inclusive, in each year.
Snipe	
Quail	
Et-irer or Nauru	Canaries	..	
White Noddies	
Black Noddies	} From the first day of August in each year to the last day of October next following, both days inclusive.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Frigate Birds.

Dated this thirtieth day of November, 1937.

RUPERT C. GARSIA,
Administrator of the Island of Nauru.