

any cause to construct said bridge before the time of making the annual levy by the County Commissioners.

In force.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 23, 1870.

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CHAPTER 120.

AN ACT for the better protection of Birds in Allegany County.

Not to shoot  
or kill.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for any person in Allegany County to shoot, kill, or in any way trap or destroy any blue bird, swallow, martins, robins, cat birds, wood peckers, sparrows, wrens, whippowills, doves, or any other insectivorous birds, at any season of the year, under the penalty of two dollars for each bird so killed, taken or destroyed.

Not to kill.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for any person to kill or destroy any pheasants or partridges between the first day of January and the first day of September, under the penalty of five dollars for each and every pheasant or partridge so killed, taken or destroyed.

Not to wilfully  
destroy.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That no person shall at any time during the year wilfully destroy the eggs or nests of any such birds as are named in this Act within this county, under the penalty of two dollars for each and every offence.

Evidence to  
commit.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the possession by any person within the county of any of the birds mentioned in this Act as shot, killed or otherwise destroyed, shall be *prima facie* evidence to commit under this Act.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That any person offending against any of the provisions of this Act and being convicted thereof before any Justice of the Peace in this county, or by the oath or affirmation of one or more witnesses, forfeit the fine or