CHAPTER 56.

An Act to amend the Wild Birds Protection Acts.

[14th August 1896.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Extension of powers under 43 & 44 Vict. c. 35.

1. From and after the passing of this Act the powers exerciseable by the Secretary of State on application under section eight of the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, shall extend to the making of an order prohibiting, for special reasons mentioned in the application, the taking or killing of particular kinds of wild birds during the whole or any part of that period of the year to which the protection of wild birds under that Act does not extend, or the taking or killing of all wild birds in particular places during the whole or any part of that period.

Publication of orders.

2. Public notice of any order made under this Act shall be given in the manner required by the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1894, with respect to orders made under that Act.

Explanation of 57 & 58 Vict. c. 24.

3. The powers exerciseable under the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1894, by the county council of an administrative county are hereby declared to be exerciseable by the council of a county borough, and any expenses incurred by the council of a county borough under that Act or this Act may be defrayed out of the borough fund or borough rate.

Power to forfeit traps, nets, snares, &c.

4. Where any person is convicted of an offence against this Act or the principal Act, the court may, in addition to any penalty that may be imposed, order any trap, net, snare, or decoy bird used by such person for taking any wild bird to be forfeited.

Application to Scotland.

5. This Act shall apply to Scotland with the substitution of the Secretary for Scotland for a Secretary of State.

Extent of Act.

6. This Act shall not extend to Ireland.

Short title and collective title.

7. This Act may be cited as the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1896, and shall be construed with the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1881, and the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1894, and those Acts and this Act may be cited collectively as the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896.

CHAPTER 57.

An Act to provide for the Trial of Burglaries by Courts of Quarter Sessions.

[14th August 1896.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows: