

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Twentieth day of March, 1793, and continued by several Prorogations to the Sixth Day of June, Anno Domini 1794, in the Thirty-Fourth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George The Third of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, being the Second Session of the Seventh General Assembly convened in the said Province. From Richard John Uniacke, The Statutes at Large passed in the General Assembly held in His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia: A complete index and abridgement of the whole. John Howe and Son, 1805.*

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**An Act for the preservation of Partridges, and blue winged Ducks.**

Whereas the preservation of the before-mentioned species of birds, or fowls, during the time of their breeding, will be highly beneficial to the inhabitants of this province:

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly, that from and after the publication hereof, no person or persons whomsoever shall, under any pretence whatsoever, kill any partridge within this province, from the first day of March until the first day of September, or any of that species of duck commonly called the black duck, or blue winged duck, from the first day of April, until the first day of August in any year.

II. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that every person who shall take, kill or destroy, or who shall sell, or expose to sale, or who shall buy, or cause to be bought, any partridge, or black duck, or who shall have in his or her custody or possession, any dead partridge, or black duck, or who shall have in his or her custody or possession, any dead partridge or black duck, within the respective times herein before mentioned, shall, for every partridge or duck so taken, killed, destroyed, sold, or exposed to sale, or found dead in his or her possession, forfeit the sum of ten shillings, for each and every offence: to be recovered on the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, or by the confession of the party before any one of His Majesty's justices of the peace for the county where the offence shall be committed: the same to be levied, with the lawful cost, either on the person or property of the offender, and to be paid to the informer.

III. Provided always, that nothing in this act shall extend, or be construed to extend, to any Indian, or other poor settler, who shall kill any partridge, or black duck, within the times herein before mentioned for his own use.