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Sixty-Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 104.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to authorize the taking of Birds and their Nests and Eggs for Scientific Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

- Section 1. Upon the request and recommenda-
- 2 tion of the Fish and Game Commissioners, the Gov-
- 3 ernor, with the advice and consent of the Council,
- 4 may commission persons to take, kill, capture and
- 5 have in possession any species of bird and the nests
- 6 and eggs thereof for scientific purposes, but the
- 7 number of commissions in force shall not exceed
- 8 ten at any time.
 - Sect. 2. No person to whom such commission
- 2 may be granted shall sell, offer for sale, or take
- 3 any compensation for specimens of birds, nests, or

- 4 eggs, nor dispose of the same by gift or otherwise
- 5 to be taken from the State, and for any violation of
- 6 any of the provisions of this section such person
- 7 shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten nor
- 8 more than fifty dollars, to be recovered by com-
- 9 plaint before any trial justice or municipal judge,
- 10 one-half to the complainant and one-half to the
- 11 county where the proceedings are commenced.
 - SECT. 3. This act shall not authorize the taking,
 - 2 capturing, or killing any bird, or taking the nests
 - 3 or eggs thereof on Sunday.
 - SECT. 4. The commissions authorized by this
 - 2 act shall be in force for two years only from the
 - 3 date of their issue and for each commission there
 - 4 shall be paid to the State a fee of five dollars.
 - SECT. 5. Whenever the Fish and Game Commis-
 - 2 sioners shall so request, the Governor shall recall
 - 3 and counsel any commission issued by the authority
 - 4 of this act.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, } February 17, 1885.

Reported from Committee on Fisheries and Game by Mr. HINCKLEY; ordered printed under joint rule.

. NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.