

Children's shelters are provided for. It is stipulated in the Act that every city or town having 10,000 of a population or over shall provide proper shelters for neglected children for temporary use. These shelters must be entirely distinct from any penal or pauper institutions.

Provision is made that a judge, on the application of a society having the custody of neglected children, may make an order on the municipality for an amount not to exceed \$1 per week for the maintenance of a child. The municipality may, however, recover from the parent.

The Act establishes a proper course of procedure whereby a neglected child may be apprehended and brought under the custody of a society or person under the authority of the Act.

Children's aid societies may select foster homes for neglected children. The inspector may in turn transfer these to industrial schools. The parent is granted certain rights and a course is laid down whereby such parent may appeal to again secure the custody of the child.

Power is granted municipalities to regulate by by-law the hours at night beyond which children shall not be out in public places without proper guardianship.

The Act further provides that no one shall cause a child to beg, to sell goods in a public place after 10 p.m., to be in a circus for the purpose of performing, or causing a child to be neglected.

Juvenile offenders shall not be placed in a lock-up or police cell before trial, nor shall they be placed among persons charged with crime. Their cases must not be tried in the police court room ordinarily used. These offenders must be tried either in a separate court room for such cases or in the judge's private room, or in the ordinary police court room two hours after the other cases have been disposed of. The judge may hand over such offender to the custody of some society instead of ordering a commitment.

For the purposes of this Act a "child" is defined as a boy or girl actually or apparently under the age of sixteen years.

This Act will no doubt accomplish much for these neglected children and for our juvenile offenders. It clears the air and defines the duties of societies, of court officials, of the officials under this Act, the disposition of these children. The confusion on these points in the past will now disappear.

THE BIER TREATMENT.

Of late a good deal has been written upon the subject of the Bier treatment of inflammations and infections. It is the application to treatment of what nature tries to do for an injured or infected part—get more blood to it.