

"A medical superintendent shall be appointed by the Government to inaugurate and superintend the medical treatment of inebriates and dipsomaniacs and assist in establishing for their treatment cottage hospitals and special wards in general hospitals throughout the Province. He shall also make local provision for home treatment in suitable cases. The Superintendent and the Probation Officers will co-operate in the work of reformation.

"Government grants to promote the medical treatment of dipsomaniacs may be made as follows: Cottage hospitals especially established for the reception and treatment of drunkards, or wards in general hospitals especially equipped for this purpose, shall receive as a bonus 25% of the cost of building or special equipment as the case may be; secondly, a special grant of ten cents a day over and above the usual per capita grant to all hospital patients shall be allowed for all cases of chronic dipsomania; and thirdly, an extra grant of 40 cents a day shall be allowed for a period of seven days for cases of acute alcoholism. The medical treatment not to be considered as a charity but as a loan to be repaid subsequent to treatment and while the person is still on probation.

"Able bodied chronic drunkards instead of being fined or sent to jail shall be sent to the Central Prison for not less than six months and all subsequent sentences shall be cumulative.

"Able bodied chronic female drunkards shall be sent to the Mercer Reformatory on cumulative sentences. Chronic drunkards male or female, not able bodied, may be provided for in county or city Houses of Refuge.

"Three physicians of standing in the Province may be appointed by the Government, as a committee of consultation, to co-operate with the Superintendent in inaugurating and carrying out the purposes of the Bill."

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