

The Government were asked if they would appoint Police Magistrates for the purposes of the Scott Act, in cases in which the County Councils requested it. To this they agreed. Only two County Councils took advantage of this agreement, and asked for the appointment of Magistrates. The Government, complying with the request of the friends of the Scott Act, obtained from the Legislature authority for the purpose of securing a better observance of the law.

Legislation was also passed, providing for the payment of a share of the expenses of license districts in such counties by the County Council, and applying to the cases of such counties, as to such license districts, the provisions of the Liquor License Act and its amendments.

This was followed, 1888, by a measure amending the Liquor License Act, by providing for the appointment of License Commissioners in counties where the Scott Act was in force, and for the payment of expenses for enforcing the Liquor License Act in such districts or parts of districts; also for the disposal of the license fund which might accrue in any such district.

It should be noted, that in no Province of the Dominion was the responsibility of enforcing the Scott Act assumed by a Provincial Government, except in this Province, and that responsibility was assumed by the Liberal Administration, notwithstanding the refusal of the Dominion Parliament to provide the necessary legislation to secure its observance.

Commissioners and Inspectors, appointed under the License Act, who were not in sympathy with the Scott Act, were replaced by those who were, in order to ensure that the provisions of the prohibition law would be enforced, and these officers were specially charged with the enforcement of the Act. A prominent and trusted temperance advocate, the late Rev. Mr. Manning, who had some local experience in connection with the enforcement of the License Act, was also appointed by the Government, and placed in the Head Office, specially charged with the duty of supervising the work of the Inspectors, and seeing that the provisions of the Scott Act were enforced. The death of Mr. Manning having rendered vacant the position he had occupied with such satis-