

## APPREHENSION OF NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

10. Any officer, constable or policeman may apprehend, without warrant, and bring before a Judge, as neglected, any child apparently under the age of sixteen years, if a boy, and sixteen years, if a girl, who is within any of the following descriptions:—

(a) Who is found begging in any street, house or place of public resort;

(b) Who is found wandering about at a late hour, or sleeping at night in barns or out-houses, or in the open air;

(c) Who is found associating or dwelling with a thief, drunkard or vagrant, or who, by reason of neglect or drunkenness or other vices of the parents or guardians of such child, is suffered to grow up without salutary parental control and education, or in circumstances exposing such child to idle and dissolute life;

(d) Who is found in any disorderly house, or in the company of reputed criminal, immoral or disorderly people;

(e) Who is a destitute orphan, or who has been deserted by his or her lawful parents or guardians;

(f) Who is found guilty of petty crimes, and who is likely to develop criminal tendencies if not removed from his or her surroundings. 61 V. c. 6, s. 4.

(g) Or who frequents or visits any public poolroom or bucket shop, or place where any gambling device is or shall be operated;

(h) Or is a habitual truant from school or <sup>Truant</sup> habitually wanders about the streets or public <sup>Children</sup> places during school hours, without any lawful occupation or employment.

11. Any child apprehended under the next <sup>Procedure</sup> preceding section of this Act shall be brought before a Judge for examination within the next day after such apprehension, and it shall there-upon be the duty of the Judge to investigate