

tions 25 and 26 deal with the appointment and duties of probation officers.

Section 29 is most important, providing as it does for the punishment of adults responsible for delinquency in children by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year or by both fine and imprisonment. The Juvenile Court has jurisdiction in this respect. The law is not intended to be administered harshly. Parents will be put on probation like their children. But if juvenile crime is to be stopped, adult contribution thereto should be put down with a firm hand.

Prosecutions against adults for all offences in respect to children may be dealt with in the Juvenile Court (sec. 30).

Section 31 strikes the keynote of the Act. It reads: "This Act shall be liberally construed to the end that its purpose may be carried out, to wit: That the care and custody and discipline of a juvenile delinquent shall approximate as nearly as may be that which should be given by its parents, and that as far as practicable every juvenile delinquent shall be treated, not as a criminal, but as a misguided and misdirected child, and one needing aid, encouragement, help and assistance."

The Act is not to affect provincial legislation; and where a provincial Act applies and the delinquency would not in the case of an adult be an indictable offence, the child may be dealt with either under the Provincial Act or the Juvenile Delinquents Act, as may be deemed to be in the best interests of the child (sec. 32).

Sections 34 and 35 provide for the putting in force of the Act by proclamation in any province, city, town or other portion of a province where proper facilities are provided. These may be provided either by provincial legislation (sec. 34), or by municipal councils or otherwise (sec. 35).

In the Canada Gazette of September 26th is published an order-in-council which provides that before the Act is put in force under section 25 the Governor-in-council must be satisfied.

1. That a proper detention home has been established, and will be maintained, for the temporary confinement of juvenile delinquents, or of children charged with delin-