

to the Provincial Secretary from time to time of the whole or any part of the cost of maintenance of that boy in the school; and the Provincial Secretary, in such case or in any other case, may receive from any person or from any municipal or other corporation willing to contribute towards the maintenance of any boy as an inmate the payment of the whole or any part of the cost of the maintenance of that boy in the School. All moneys received by the Provincial Secretary shall be paid into the Provincial Treasury and accounted for as part of the general revenue of the Province.

(3) Where a boy is detained as an inmate in the Subnormal Boys' School under this section, and where notice in writing is given to the Medical Superintendent by the directors of the society or institution, parents, guardian, or committee, with whose consent that boy was admitted to the school, requesting the discharge of that boy from the school, the Medical Superintendent shall not detain that boy for more than five days after the receipt of the notice.

8. Where in respect of any boy confined in the Industrial School, or in the custody of any society or institution, a Court or Judge has made an order upon any parent of the boy or upon any municipal corporation to contribute to his support, and the boy is transferred pursuant to this Act into the Subnormal Boys' School, that order, during the time the boy is detained in the Subnormal Boy's School, shall apply in like manner to his support therein.

9. Where at the time a boy becomes an inmate of the Subnormal Boys' School any municipal corporation is charged with the duty of making provision for his support, that municipal corporation shall bear all expenses of conveying that boy to and of supporting him as an inmate in the Subnormal Boys' School.

You will, therefore, see that very laudable steps have already been taken, the matter having been studied thoroughly. However, in formulating any scheme based upon a radical change of outlook, especially when that scheme must involve, not only expense, but a very real searching and intensive method in its application, it must be admitted that in social movements the Government cannot do very much without the aid of public opinion and volunteer workers, nor progress very far unless the proper enthusiasm exists in the medical profession of the Province as a whole.

It cannot be said that the Province has heretofore had any machinery for ascertaining mental defectives, for educating them, or for trying to prevent their easy development into irreclaimable criminals, although it is true that certain jail features did exist for the incarceration of incorrigible boys and girls.

The magnitude of the evil thus left untouched is very great. There