

advice aforesaid is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the time for the discontinuance of burials in such churchyard be postponed as follows, viz. :—

In the new churchyard of Saint Catherine's, Northampton, to the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Arthur Helps.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 2nd day of *February*, 1874.

PRESENT:

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Leicester, appointed under "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," have, in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the seventy-fourth section of that Act, with the approval of the Education Department, made certain Bye-laws, bearing date the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, numbered 272 :

And whereas all the conditions in regard to the said Bye-laws, which are required to be fulfilled by the said Act, have been fulfilled, and the said Bye-laws have been submitted for the sanction of Her Majesty in Council: now, therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the said Bye-laws (copy whereof is hereunto annexed) into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare, and doth hereby declare, Her sanction of the same.

Arthur Helps.

Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

No. CCLXXII.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT,
1870.

BYE-LAWS OF THE LEICESTER SCHOOL BOARD.

THE School Board for the borough of Leicester, at a meeting held at the Public Office in the said borough, on the 16th day of December, 1872, in pursuance of the powers to them given by the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and subject to the approval of the Education Department, do hereby make and enact the following Bye-laws:—

Interpretation of Terms.

1. In these Bye-laws—

The term "Borough of Leicester" or "Borough" means the municipal and parliamentary borough of Leicester.

The term "Education Department" means the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education.

The term "Her Majesty's Inspectors" means the Inspectors of Schools appointed by Her Majesty on the recommendation of the Education Department.

The term "School Board" or "Board" means the School Board of the district comprising the borough of Leicester, and any addition which may hereafter be made to such district.

The terms implying males include females, except where otherwise defined.

The term "School" or "Public Elementary School," means a Public Elementary School, as defined by the Elementary Education Act, 1870,

and includes a free school, but not an Industrial School.

The term "Managers" includes all persons who have the management of any Elementary School, whether the legal interest in the school-house is or is not vested in them.

The term "Officer" means an officer appointed by the Board, pursuant to the 36th section of the said Act.

The term "Parent" includes guardian and every person who is liable to maintain or has the actual custody of any child, but does not include the mother of a child, when the father is living and residing within the district.

Parents shall cause Children between Five and Thirteen Years of Age to attend School.

2. Subject to the provisions of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and of these Bye-laws, the parent of every child residing within the borough of Leicester, and not less than five nor more than thirteen years of age, shall cause such child to attend a Public Elementary School, unless there be some reasonable excuse for the non-attendance of such child.

Reasonable Excuses.

Any of the following shall be considered to be reasonable excuses:—

1. That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
2. That the child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
3. That there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend within one mile, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.
4. That the child is employed in labour, and receiving instruction in conformity with any Act of Parliament for regulating the education of children employed in labour.
5. That the child having attained the age of ten years, has passed a public examination according to the fifth standard of the Revised Code of Regulations of the Education Department of 1872, and has obtained a certificate to that effect from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools.

The Board retains the power to exempt a child from attendance at school for such period as they may think fit, if illness in the family or other urgent reason shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Board to exist.

Child to attend whole Time of ordinary Instruction, except Religious Instruction, and on certain Holidays.

3. Except as aforesaid, the time during which every child shall attend school shall be the whole time in which the ordinary instruction of the school is given; provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the withdrawal of any child from any religious observance, or instruction in religious subjects, or shall require any child to attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which the parents of such child belong, or shall require the attendance at school of any child on such days as are set apart by the Managers of the school for inspection in religious subjects, or on any of the following days, namely, —

On Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or any day set apart for a day of Public Fast or Thanksgiving, or on Saturday, after twelve o'clock at noon.