II. It shall be a reasonable excuse for nonattendance-

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 by any unavoidable cause, or by some other cause which the School Board shall deem satisfactory.

3. That there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend within a distance of three miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of

such child.

III. The time during which every such child is required to attend school is the whole time for which the school selected shall be open for the instruction of children of a similar age, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the withdrawal of any child from any religious observance or instruction in religious subjects, and that no child shall be required to attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his or her parent belongs.

IV. Any child of not less than ten years of age, who has obtained from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors a Certificate that he or she has reached a standard equivalent to the fifth standard of the Government Code of 1873, shall be altogether

exempt from obligation to attend school.

V. Provided always, that if and whenever the present Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be contrary to or inconsistent with the regulations affecting any child subject thereto, contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour, the said regulations shall prevail, and the said Bye-laws shall affect such child only to such extent as they are consistent with the said regulations.

VI. Every parent who shall not observe, or shall neglect or violate these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall, upon conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding 5s., including costs, for each offence, provided that all breaches of these Byelaws by a parent in one and the same week shall

be deemed one offence.



Geo. S. Barrett, Chairman.

Sydney Cozens-Hardy, Clerk.

30th December, 1874.

T the Court at Windsor, the 17th day of March, 1875.

## PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of the Grendon Bishop United District, 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 twenty-first of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, numbered 390:

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

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.

Edmund Harrison.

Bye-Laws referred to in the foregoing Order. No. CCCXC.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS. 1870-1873.

PROPOSED BYE-LAWS OF THE UNITED DISTRICT GRENDON BISHOP, BREDENBURY, AND WACTON SCHOOL BOARD, IN THE COUNTY OF HEREFORD.

Know all men by these presents that

At a meeting of the School Board of the United District of Grendon Bishop, Bredenbury, and Wacton, duly convened and held at the New Buildings, Harp-lane, Bredenbury, on Saturday, the 21st day of November, 1874, at which meeting a quorum of the members are present, the said Board do hereby, in pursuance of the powers to them given by the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and subject to the approval of the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, make and ordain the following Bye-laws:-

1. In these Bye-laws—

Terms importing "Males" include females

The term "School" means either a Public Elementary or any other school at which efficient elementary instruction is given."

The term "Public Elementary School" means a school, or a department of a school, at which elementary education is the principal part of the education given, at which the ordinary payments in respect of instruction do not exceed 9d. a week, and which is conducted in accordance with the regulations contained in the seventh section of the Elementary Education Act, 1870.

The term "Board" or "School Board" means the School Board of the United District of Grendon

Bishop, Bredenbury, and Wacton.
2. The parent of every child of not less than five years nor more than thirteen years of age is required to cause such child to attend school unless: there is some reasonable excuse for non-attend-

3. Except as hereinafter, provided the time which every such child is required to attend school is the whole time for which the school selected shall be open for the instruction of children, not being less than twenty-five hours a week, except on Sundays, and except also 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 his parents belong.
4. (1.) A child of not less than ten years of age, who has obtained from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools a certificate that he has reached a standard equivalent to the fifth standard of the Government New Code of 1871, shall be altogether exempt from the obligation to attend

school, and

(2.) A child of not less than ten years of age, who shows to the satisfaction of the Board that he is beneficially and necessarily at work, shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school during the whole time for which the school shall be open as aforesaid, but every such child is required to Majesty, having faken the said Bye-laws (copy attend school for at least ten hours in every week