

in which the school is opened as aforesaid, and in computing for the purpose of this section the time during which a child has attended any school there shall not be included any time during which such child has attended either—

- (a.) In excess of three hours at any one time, or in excess of four hours in any one day; or
(b.) On Sundays.

5. Provided always, that if and whenever Bye-laws 3 and 4, or either 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.

6. In addition to the reasonable excuses for the non-attendance of a child at school mentioned in the Act, viz. :—

- (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 other unavoidable cause it shall be—
(3.) A reasonable excuse for his non-attendance that there is no Public Elementary School open which such child can attend within three miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child; the Board reserving to themselves the power of allowing children under eight years of age, when they reside more than a mile from the school, to absent themselves upon a request addressed to the Board by the parent to that effect.

7. If the parent of any child satisfies the School Board that the reason that his child does not attend school is that he is unable from poverty to pay the school fees of such child, the School Board, in the case of a school provided by the Board, will remit and pay the whole or such part of the fees as, in the opinion of the Board, the parent is unable to pay, for a renewable period to be fixed by the Board not exceeding six calendar months.

8. 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.

In witness whereof, we, the School Board for the United District of Grendon Bishop, Bredonbury, and Wacton, have hereunto set our Common Seal this 21st day of November, 1874.

Sealed in the presence of
H. N. Knott, Clerk to the said
School Board.



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

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Handley 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 ninth of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, numbered 391:

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.

Edmund Harrison.

Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

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THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT
1870.

HANDLEY SCHOOL BOARD.

At a Meeting of the School Board for the parish of Handley, held at the Handley Schools, on the 9th day of November, 1874, the said Board in pursuance of the powers of the "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," and subject to the approval of the Education Department, hereby, make and ordain the following

BYE-LAWS.

I. The parent of every child of not less than five years nor more than thirteen years of age, residing within the said parish of Handley, shall, in default of reasonable excuse, cause such child to attend school.

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

- (a.) That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
(b.) That the child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
(c.) That there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend within three miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.
(d.) That the child is for the time being employed in labour and is receiving instruction in conformity with any Act for regulating the the education of children employed in labour.

2. Every child if not less than ten years of age who has obtained from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools a certificate of having reached such a standard of education as would enable it to pass the third standard of the Education Code of 1874, shall be wholly exempt from the obligation to attend school under these Bye-laws.

3. The time during which every child, not exempted by reasonable excuse as aforesaid, shall attend school, shall be the whole time for which the school shall be open as a day school for the instruction of children, 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 his or her parent belongs.

4. If the parent of any child shall satisfy the School Board that he is unable from poverty to pay the whole or any part of the school fees of such child, the School Board in the case of the Schools provided by the Board shall remit the whole or such part of the fees as, in the opinion of the Board, the parent is unable from poverty to pay, for a renewable period, to be fixed by the Board, not exceeding six calendar months.