

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

The term "Public Elementary School" means a school or department of a school at which elementary education is the principal part of the education given, and at which the ordinary payments in respect of instruction do not exceed nine pence a week, and which is conducted in accordance with the regulations contained in the 7th section of the Elementary Education Act, 1870.

The term "Parent" includes guardian and every person who is liable to maintain or has the actual custody of any child.

The term "Board" or "School Board" means the School Board for the said parish of Shipston-on-Stour.

Requiring Parents to cause Children to attend School.

2. Subject to the provisions of the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 and 1873, and of these Bye-laws, the parent of every child of not less than five years and not more than thirteen years of age, residing within the said parish, is required to cause such child to attend school.

Determining Time during which Children shall Attend School.

3. The time during which every such child is required to attend school is the whole time for which the school 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 on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his parents belong.

Proviso for Total or Partial Exemption, if Child has reached certain Standard.

4. (a.) A child of not less than ten years of age who has obtained from one of Her Majesty's of Schools a certificate that he has reached a standard equivalent to the fourth standard of the Government New Code of 1875, shall be altogether exempt from obligation to attend school.

(b.) A child of not less than ten years of age who has been so certified to have reached a standard equivalent to the third standard of the said Code, and 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 more than ten hours in any one week, and in computing for the purposes 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

- (1.) In excess of three hours at any one time, or in excess of five hours in any one day, or
- (2.) On Sundays.

Proviso as to Acts regulating the Education of Children employed in Labour.

5. Nothing in the present Bye-laws shall have any force or effect in so far as it may be contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

Defining reasonable Excuse for non-Attendance.

6. A child shall not be required to attend school—

- (a.) If such child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- (b.) If such child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) If 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.

Providing for Remission of School Fees in case of Poverty.

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 will, at schools provided by the Board, remit the whole or such part of the school 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.

Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.

8. Any person committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding two shillings and sixpence, provided that all breaches of these Bye-laws by a parent in one and the same week shall be deemed one offence, and that no penalty imposed for the breach of any Bye-law shall exceed such a sum as, with costs, will amount to five shillings for each offence.

9. These Bye-laws shall take effect from and after the day on which the same shall be sanctioned by Order in Council.

In witness whereof, we, the School Board for the said parish of Shipston-on-Stour, have hereunto set our Common Seal this 1st day of October, 1875.



William Briscoe, Chairman.
Edward Vere Nicoll, Clerk of the Board.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 12th day of February, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of the Llan-dissilio 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 thirtieth of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, numbered 543:

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.

C. L. Peel.