

III.—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 obligation to attend school; and

IV.—A child of not less than ten years of age, who shows to the satisfaction of the Board, that he or she is beneficially and necessarily at work, shall be exempt from obligation to attend school during the whole time for which the school shall be opened, but every such child shall be required to attend school for at least one hundred and fifty days in each year.

V.—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.

VI.—Every parent who shall not observe, or shall neglect or violate these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five shillings, including costs, for each offence.



*Fred. Vander Meulin*, Chairman.

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February 26th, 1876.

*Privy Council Office, March 24, 1876.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council from certain inhabitant householders of the town and parish of Merthyr Tydfil, in the county of Glamorgan, praying under the Acts 5th and 6th William the Fourth, and 1st Vict., cap. 78, that a CHARTER OF INCORPORATION may be granted to that town; and notice is hereby further given, that Her Majesty has been pleased, by Her Order in Council of this day's date, to order that the said Petition be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on Tuesday, the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

*Windsor Castle, March 24, 1876.*

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Edmund Hay Currie, Esq., Chairman of the Committee of the London Hospital.

*Foreign Office, March 20, 1876.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir George Francis Bonham, Bart., now a Third Secretary, to be a Second Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

*Foreign Office, March 27, 1876.*

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. R. Eichholtz as Consul of the German Empire for the district of the River Tyne from Newcastle to the mouth, and for the coast from St. Mary's Island to Souter Point, to reside at Newcastle.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Henry Rhodes as Consul at Victoria, British Columbia, for His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway.

*Westminster, March 27, 1876.*

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to two Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

An Act for enabling a further sum to be raised for the purposes of Telegraph Acts, 1868 to 1870.

*Whitehall, March 15, 1876.*

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Edward Penton Thompson, of Fyfield House, in the parish of Fyfield, in the county of Southampton, and of Bolton-street in the parish of St. George, Hanover-square, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, only surviving son and heir of George Nesbitt Thompson, late of Penton Lodge, in the parish of Penton Mewsey, in the said county of Southampton, Esquire, deceased, by Catherine Maria, his wife, eldest sister of George Powney, of Milding, in the county of Suffolk, Esquire, all deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may henceforth take and use the surname of Powney, in lieu of that of Thompson, and that he and they may bear the arms of Powney; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

*Whitehall, March 16, 1876.*

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Sir George Elliott Meyrick Tapps-Gervis, of Bodorgan, in the county of Anglesey, Baronet, eldest and only surviving son and heir of Sir George William Tapps-Gervis, late of Hinton Admiral, in the county of Southampton, Baronet, by Clara, his wife, eldest daughter of Augustus Elliott Fuller, late of Ashdown House, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, and of Clara, his wife, eldest daughter and co-heir of Owen Putland Meyrick, late of Bodorgan aforesaid, Esquire, all deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a condition contained in the last wills and testaments of his maternal great grandfather, the said Owen Putland Meyrick, and his maternal uncle, Owen John Augustus Fuller Meyrick, Esquire, deceased, henceforth take and use the surname of Meyrick, in addition to and after that of Tapps-Gervis, and that he and they may bear the arms of Meyrick quarterly with those of Tapps and Gervis; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise