Requiring Parents to cause Children to attend School.

2. The parent of every child residing within the school district of Hibaldstow shall cause such child, being not less than five nor more than thirteen years of age, to attend a Public Elementary School, unless there be a reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

Excuses for Non-Attendance.

- 3. The following shall be deemed such reasonable excuses:
 - (a.) That such child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
 - (b.) That such child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or some unavoidable cause.
 - (c.) That there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend within the following distances, measured according to the nearest road from the residence of such child:

Under seven years of age, one mile. Seven years of age and upwards, three miles.

(d.) That such child shall not be required to attend school more than 250 times in the year if it is shown that any such child, being a boy between ten and thirteen years of age, is necessarily employed in agricultural labour.

Determining Time during which Children shall Attend School.

4. The time during which every child shall attend school shall be the whole time for which the school shall be open for the instruction of children of similar age. Provided that nothing herein contained, shall prevent the withdrawal by the parent of any child during the time or times in which any religious observance is practised, or instruction in religious subjects is given, and that no child shall be required to attend school either on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his or her parents belong, or at any time or in any manner contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

Exemption from Attendance if Child has reached certain Standard.

5. In case one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools shall certify that any child between ten and thirteen years of age has reached the fourth standard of education mentioned in the Revised Code of Regulations of the Education Department, made on the 7th day of February, 1871, such child shall be totally exempt from the obligation to attend school.

Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.

6. Any person committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding five shillings, including costs, provided that all breaches of these Bye-laws by any one person in one and the same week shall be deemed one offence.

Signed and sealed this 21st day of June, 1876.



Max. H. Dalison, Chairman.

William Robinson, Clerk.

T the Court at Windsor, the 27th day of June, 1876.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS the School Board of Goldington, 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 May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, numbered 658.

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.

Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

DCLVIII.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT-1870.

Parish of Goldington.

BYE-LAWS OF THE GOLDINGTON SCHOOL BOARD.

1. The parent of every child residing in the district of the Board, of not less than five years of age, and if a boy of not more than twelve years of age, and if a girl of not more than thirteen years of age, is required to cause such child to attend school, unless there be some reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

Definition of reasonable Excuses for Nonattendance.

Any of the following reasons shall be a reasonable excuse, namely:—

(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 a distance of three miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.

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

2. In case one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools shall certify that any child between ten and thirteen years of age has reached the fifth standard of education mentioned in the Code of Regulations of the Education Department, made on the 6th day of February, 1872, such child shall be totally exempt from the obligation to attend school, and any such child who has been so certified to have reached the fourth standard of education mentioned in the said Code, shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school more than fifteen hours in any one week.

Determination of Times of Attendance at School.

3. The time during which every child is required to attend school is the whole time for which the school selected shall be open as a day school for