

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.*

No. DCLXXIV.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT,  
1870.

BYE-LAWS OF THE COPLE SCHOOL BOARD.

1. The parent of every child of not less than five nor more than twelve years of age, and residing in the district of the School Board, is required to cause such child to attend school, unless there be some reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

*Definition of Reasonable Excuses for Non-attendance.*

Any of the following reasons shall be a reasonable excuse, viz.:-

- (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.

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

2. That in case one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools shall certify that any child between ten and twelve years of age has reached the fifth standard of education mentioned in the Code of Regulations of the Education Department, as modified by minute, made on the 5th day of April, 1875, 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 twelve and a half hours in any one week.

*Determination of Time of Attendance at School.*

3. The time during which every such child is required to attend school is the whole time for which the school selected shall be open as a day school for the instruction of children. But the Board may, from time to time in any special case, grant exemption from attendance for some definite portion of the school hours.

*Section 74.*

"Provided always, that nothing contained in these Bye-laws 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 parent belongs, or 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."

*Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.*

4. 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 such sum as, with the costs, will amount to five shillings, for each offence.

In witness whereof we, the School Board for the parish of Cople, have hereunto set our Common

Seal this eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

Sealed in the presence of



Tho. Barnard, Chairman.

Mark Sharman, Clerk.

AT the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 21st day of July, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Holme Low, 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 2nd of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, numbered 675 :

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.*

No. DCLXXV.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT,  
1870.

BYE-LAWS OF THE HOLME LOW SCHOOL BOARD.

1. THE words hereinafter used where not specially defined in these Bye-laws are to be defined by the meaning given to them in the Elementary Education Act, 1870.

The term "School Board" or "Board," means the School Board for Holme Low.

The term "School," means a Public Elementary School as defined by the said Act, and includes a Free School but not an Industrial School.

The term "Parent" includes guardian, and every person who is liable to maintain or has the actual custody of any child, but does not include the mother of any child when the father is living and is residing within the district of the Board.

Any term implying "Males" includes "Females."

2. The parent of every child residing within the Holme Low School Board District shall cause such child, not being less than five years of age, nor more than thirteen years of age, to attend a Public Elementary School, unless there be a reasonable excuse for non-attendance; and the following shall be deemed reasonable excuses, namely:

- (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 any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) That there is no Public Elementary School which such child can attend within two miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.
- (d.) That such child having attained the age of ten years, has reached a standard of education which would enable it to pass a public examination according to the fifth standard