

are hereby wholly revoked as from the day hereinafter specified in Bye-law IX.

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

Sealed with the Common Seal of the School Board of the borough of Reading, the 12th day of April, 1876.



J. Henry Wilson,
Chairman of the said Board.

Saml. Preston,
Clerk to the said Board.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 9th day of *December*, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of the United District of Beal, 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 fifth of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, numbered 742 :

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.

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Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

No. DCCXLII.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS,
1870—1873.

BYE-LAWS OF THE UNITED DISTRICT BEAL SCHOOL BOARD.

Recital of Election of School Board.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of a precept sent by the Education Department to the Clerk of the Pontefract Union, in which are the townships of Beal, Birkin, and Kellington, in the county of York, a School Board for the said townships was duly elected on the 9th day of August, 1875.

Now, at a Meeting of the School Board of the United District of Beal, held in the Beal School Room, in the said United District of Beal, on Thursday, October 5th, 1876, at which Meeting a quorum of the Members of such Board were present, the said Board did, in pursuance of the aforesaid powers and subject to the approval of the Education Department, make and ordain the following Bye-laws :—

Interpretation of Terms.

1. The term "Education Department" means the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education.

The term "Her Majesty's Inspectors" means the Inspectors of Schools appointed by Her Majesty on the recommendation of the Education Department.

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The term "United District of Beal," means the district comprising the said townships of Beal, Birkin, and Kellington.

The term "School Board" or "Board" means the School Board of the United District of Beal.

The term "School" or "Public Elementary School" means a Public Elementary School as defined by the Elementary Education Act, 1870, 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.

2. Subject to the provisions of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and of these Bye-laws, the parent of every child not less than five years of age, nor more than thirteen years of age, and residing within the said United District of Beal, shall cause such child to attend school.

3. Subject as last aforesaid, the time during which every child shall attend school shall be the whole time for which the school selected shall be open for the instruction of children of similar age, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the withdrawal 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 :—

(a.) To attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his or her parent belongs.

(b.) To attend school on Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or any day set apart for a day of Public Fast or Thanksgiving, or on Saturday after twelve o'clock at noon.

(c.) To attend school on any day fixed for the inspection of the school, or the examination of the scholars therein, in respect of religious subjects.

Reasonable Excuses for non-Attendance.

4. 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 be prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.

(c.) If 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.

Proviso for Total or Partial Exemption from Attendance if Child has reached a 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 fifth standard of education mentioned in the New 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, 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.

6. 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.

Providing for Remission or Payment of School Fees in cases of Poverty.

7. If the parent of any child satisfies the School Board that the reason his or her child does not attend school, is that he or she is unable, from