School Board had been formed for a United School District formed as last aforesaid, and everything in connection with the said Board and district shall be done and had accordingly provided, however, that every act or omission done or made by the School Board of the district of Bridlington, or in respect of the district of Bridlington before the commencement of this scheme shall be valid and effectual for all purposes in the same manner as if the said b rough had been reated coincidently with the commencement of this scheme, and any Bye-laws made by the School Board in force at the date of this scheme shall continue in force.

The Council of the borough shall not exercise any of the powers or duties or be subject to the liabilities under any of the Acts relating to the police force or other matters mentioned in section thirty-nine of "The Local Government Act, 1888," but all the powers, duties and liabilities in respect of such matters shall be exercised by and attached to the County Council of the administrative county of the East Riding of Yorkshire, and the area of the borough shall for all purposes of the Acts relating to the county police force or other matters mentioned in the said section form part of the county in like manner as if it were not

a borough.

In case any officer of the District Council, who shall have been employed by the Local Board or District Council for a period of five years, shall not be employed by the Council of the borough, nor offered by the Council a position in their employ of a similar character, and of an equal value to that formerly held by him, he shall be entitled to be paid, by way of compensation for the loss of his position, out of the funds of or under the control of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Bridlington, acting by the Council as the Urban Sanitary Authority for the borough, such gratuity or annual allowance as on a full consideration of the circumstances of the case may seem to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury or any two or more of them to be a reasonable and just compensation for the loss of his position, and the said Commissioners in awarding the said compensation shall be guided by the principles which would be applicable in the case of an award of compensation under the provisions of the Superannuation Act, 1859, to a person retiring or removed from the public service in consequence of the abolition of his office. Provided that no special minute within the meaning of the said Act, stating any special grounds for granting such allowance shall be necessary or be made. Provided, nevertheless, that if any such officer be so employed by the said Council and discharged by them (otherwise than for misconduct) within two years of the commencement of this scheme, he shall be entitled to compensation in the same manner as if he had not been employed by the said Council. Provided that the term "Officer" shall include only persons employed by the Local Board or District Council whose salaries or emoluments are payable at intervals of not less than one month, and no other persons. Provided also that the said Lords Commissioners or any two or more of them shall be the sole judges as to the right, title, or claim of any officer to any compensation whatever, and as to the amount thereof, and the said Lords Commissioners or any two or more of them shall be the only judges upon any question which may arise under this clause, and further every determination of the said Lords Commissioners upon any such right, title, claim, amount, or question shall be absolutely final and conclusive, and every such

officer shall have such rights only under this clause as the said Lords Commissioners or any two or more of them consider just and reasonable. Any determination of the said Lords Commissioners or any two or more of them may be evidenced by writing under the hands of any two of them.

The accounts of the District Council and t eir officers shall be (as soon as conveniently may be) audited by the District Auditor in like manner, and subject to the like powers, duties, provisions, and right of appeal, as if the Charter had not been granted; the provisions of sections two hundred and forty-seven and two hundred and fifty of the "Public Health Act, 1875," as amended by the "District Auditors Act, 1879," and any regulations duly issued by the Local Government Board with respect to the audit of accounts of Local Boards, and Urban District Councils, and of their officers shall apply to such audit; and the provisions of this scheme with respect to the District Council shall be construed so as to admit of such exceptions as may be necessary to enable such audit to be duly made, but such exceptions shall be strictly limited in time, extent, character, and operation to the purposes of such audit. Any sums certified to be due from any person by the District Auditor at such audit shall be paid by such person to the Treasurer of the borough.

The District Fund and General District Rate of the borough of Bridlington shall take the place of and be substituted for the District Fund and General District Rate respectively of the District Council and all sums of money respectively payable to from or out of and all liabilities charged upon or attaching to the District Fund or General District Rate of the Urban District shall be paid to from or out of and shall be charged upon the said District Fund and General District

Rate of the said borough respectively.

Saving for Rates, &c. Notwithstanding the incorporation of the borough and the provisions of this scheme all rates, assessments, compositions, charges, mortgages, contracts, leases, conveyances, documents, acts, matters and things made, entered into or done before the commencement of this scheme, by, to, or with reference to the District Council shall be as good, valid and effectual to all intents and purposes whatsoever for, against and with reference to the Corporation as if the same had been made, entered into or done by, to, or with reference to the Corporation instead of the District Council and may be proceeded on and enforced in the same manner in all respects as if the Corporation instead of the District Council had been party or privy to the same and been named or referred to therein.

## Downing Street, May 8, 1899.

THE Queen has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of William Burton, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Fiji.

Education Department, Whitehall, May 6, 1899.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the compulsory formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Hanwell ... ... Middlesex