

Proviso.

Any child between ten and thirteen years of age, who has been certified by one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools as having reached the fifth standard of education of the Government Code of February, 1871, shall be totally exempt from the obligation to attend school; and any such child, who has been in like manner certified as having reached the fourth standard of education of the same Code, shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school more than one half of the meetings of the school in any one week.

Time of Attendance.

2. 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 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 be deemed or construed as being contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.

3. Every parent committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall upon conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding with the costs five shillings for each offence, provided that all breaches of these Bye-laws by a parent in one and the same week shall be deemed to be one offence, and provided that no proceedings shall be taken against any parent whose child has attended four-fifths of the meetings of the school during the four weeks next preceding the week in which the report is made.

Relief from Proceedings.

4. No proceedings shall be commenced against any parent for the recovery of a penalty imposed for breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, unless such parent has been served with a notice in writing (either personally or by leaving the same with some person at the residence of such parent) requiring such parent, within fourteen days in the case of a first notice, or three days in the case of any subsequent notice, after the service thereof, to cause the child named therein to attend and continue to attend a Public Elementary School.

Remission of Payment of Fees.

5. Where the parent of a child is, in the opinion of the School Board, unable from poverty to pay the whole or a part of the school fees payable at any Public Elementary School by such child, the Board may remit or pay for a renewable period, to be from time to time fixed by them, not exceeding six calendar months, the whole or such part of the fees so payable at a Public Elementary School as, in their opinion, the parent is unable from poverty to pay, provided that the amount of fees to be remitted or paid shall not exceed either the ordinary payment of the school selected by the parent, or the following scale:—

Boys' Schools, 4d. per week.

Girls and all Mixed Schools, 3d. per week.

Infants' Schools and all children under six years of age, 2d. per week.

No extra charge is to be made for books or other school requisites, whether for school or home use, by children who are paid for by the Board.

The above Bye-law (No. 5) to be in force for twelve calendar months only from the day that these Bye-laws shall have the seal of this Board affixed thereto.

Sealed with the Corporate
Common Seal of the Mer-
thyr Tydfil School Board,
this 8th day of March,
1872.



(Signed) *Geo. T. Clark*, Chairman of the Board.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
March 20, 1872.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be open to the public on and after Tuesday, the 26th instant.

Windsor Castle, March 19, 1872.

This day had audience of Her Majesty:—

Colonel Don Narciso Campero, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Bolivia, to deliver his Credentials;

To which audience he was introduced by the Marquis of Ripon, K.G., President of Her Majesty's Privy Council, acting for Earl Granville, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Windsor Castle, March 19, 1872.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on John Goss, Esq., Composer for Her Majesty's Chapels Royal, and Organist of St. Paul's Cathedral.

Whitehall, March 20, 1872.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal granting the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland unto Field-Marshal Sir George Pollock, of the Khyber Pass, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., Constable of the Tower of London, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

Whitehall, March 20, 1872.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, granting unto John von Sonnentag de Havilland, Esquire, Rouge Croix Pursuivant of Arms, the office of York Herald, vacant by the decease of Thomas William King, Esquire.

Foreign Office, March 21, 1872.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of M. Martial Chevalier as Consul-General at Quebec for the French Republic.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. J. A. Sohr as Consul at Bombay for His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Thomas T. Prentiss as Consul at Mahé, Seychelles, for the United States of America.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Juan Antonio Disdier as Vice-Consul at Cardiff for His Majesty the King of Spain.