

governors that the funds are not being applied in manner foresaid they shall cease to make such yearly payments to the School Board, and shall apply the remaining free yearly income of the Endowment to the purposes of the following section; provided always that the School Board shall have the right to appeal to the Scotch Education Department against any such decision of the governors; and provided further that the Scotch Education Department, either on the application of any governor or member of the School Board, or on such information and after such inquiry as they themselves may deem necessary, shall have the power to intimate to the governors that the said payment is not being efficiently applied in manner foresaid, and the governors shall thereupon cease to make such payment, and shall apply the same to the purposes of the immediately succeeding section, until the School Board have satisfied the Department that they are prepared to comply with the conditions of said payment.

27. Bursaries for Higher or Technical Education.—In the event of the governors ceasing for any period to make the payment to the School Board under the provisions of the immediately preceding section, they shall during such period apply the remaining free income of the Endowment in establishing bursaries for higher education, to be called the Gordon Bursaries, each of the yearly value of not less than £15 nor more than £20. These bursaries shall be awarded by competitive examination among pupils attending public or State-aided schools in the parish of Huntly, under such conditions and regulations as to age or otherwise as the governors may determine; they shall be tenable for such period, not exceeding three years, as the governors may determine, at such schools for higher education or technical instruction as they may approve. In the event of the annual payment to the School Board being renewed under the provisions of the immediately preceding section, the governors shall, in the first place, make payment of any bursaries awarded under this section.

28. Forfeiture of Bursaries.—If, in the judgment of the governors, the holder of any bursary shall be guilty of serious misconduct, or fail to make reasonable progress, they may withdraw such bursary, and their determination in such case shall be final.

29. Annual Distribution of Bursaries.—The governors shall establish the bursaries herein provided for in such manner as to secure that they shall be awarded in as nearly as possible equal numbers in each year.

30–34. Future Administration; Power to Apply to Court of Session for Alteration; Power to make Bye-Laws, and receive Additional Donations. Scheme to be Printed.

Note.—As the Gordon School Trustees and the School Board have submitted to the Commissioners an agreement which they ask to be incorporated in a Scheme, the Commissioners desire to explain why they do not see their way to give effect to it. It appears to the Commissioners that the result of the agreement would be in future to relieve the School Board of expenditure which ought properly to be defrayed out of the rates. The policy of the Commissioners has always been to make it certain, if possible, that an endowment should secure some special educational advantages to the district to which it is applicable, and it appears to them that this object will be best attained by the

Scheme now published. The Commissioners have not thought it desirable that any permanent conditions should be imposed as to the maintenance of a separate female school. They have no doubt they can trust this matter to the discretion of the governors and the School Board; and that it is better to do so than to lay down conditions which could not be easily altered under any subsequent change of circumstances.

In Parliament—Session 1887.

KIRKCALDY AND DISTRICT TRAMWAYS (ABANDONMENT).

(Abandonment of Undertaking; Release of Deposit Fund; Winding up and Dissolution of Company; Repeal or Amendment of Act.)

NOTICE is hereby given that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session for leave to bring in a Bill for the following purposes, or some or one of them (that is to say):—

To authorise the Kirkcaldy and District Tramways Company (hereinafter called 'the Company') to abandon and relinquish the construction of the Tramways and Works authorised by 'The Kirkcaldy and District Tramways Act, 1883.'

To free and release the Company of, and from all liabilities, penalties, forfeitures, and obligations in respect of the non-completion of the said Tramways and Works, and to declare null and void, and to rescind or cancel, all contracts, agreements, and arrangements entered into by or on behalf of the Company with reference to the said Tramways and Works.

To authorise and to provide for the release and payment to the person or persons, or the majority of the persons named in the Warrant or Order referred to in section 31 of the said Act, or to the survivors or survivor of them, of the sum of money mentioned in that section, and referred to in the said Act as the Deposit Fund deposited in the Court of Exchequer in Scotland as security for the completion of the said Tramways and Works, together with all Interest which may have accrued thereon; and also to make provision for the distribution of the assets, the winding up of the affairs, and the dissolution of the Company.

To vary or extinguish all rights and privileges which would in any manner interfere with the objects and purposes of the Bill; to confer all powers, rights, and privileges necessary or expedient for carrying such objects and purposes into effect; and to repeal wholly or in part, or to amend 'The Kirkcaldy and District Tramways Act, 1883.'

Printed copies of the Bill will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons on or before the 21st day of December next.

Dated this 2nd day of November 1886.

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