

affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before the said sixth day of August.

Arthur Helps.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 25th day of *June*, 1872.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Aldershot, 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 eighth of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, numbered 114.

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.

Arthur Helps.

Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

No. CXIV.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT, 1870.

Parish of Aldershot.

BYE-LAWS OF THE ALDERSHOT SCHOOL BOARD.

At a meeting of the School Board for Aldershot, duly convened and held at the Board Room, Victoria-road, on Thursday, February 8th, 1872, at which meeting the whole of the Members of the Board were present, the said Board do hereby, in pursuance of the powers to them given by the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and subject to the approval of the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, make and ordain the following Bye-laws:—

I. In these Bye-laws, terms importing males shall include females.

The term "School," means either a Public Elementary School, or any other school at which efficient elementary instruction is given.

The term "Public Elementary School" means a school or department of a school at which elementary education is the principal part of the education given, and at which the ordinary payments in respect of instruction do not exceed ninepence a week, and which is conducted in accordance with the regulations contained in the seventh section of the Elementary Education Act.

The term "Board" or "School Board," means the School Board for Aldershot.

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 a child when the father is living and is residing within the parish.

The term "School Managers" means a body of managers appointed by the Board, pursuant to the 15th section of the said Act.

The term "Officer" means an officer appointed by the Board, pursuant to the 36th section of the said Act.

Requiring Parents to cause Children to Attend School.

II. The parent of every child of not less than five nor more than thirteen years of age, residing within the said parish, shall cause such child to attend a Public Elementary School, except as hereinafter provided:—

No Child shall be required to attend a Public Elementary School.

- (a.) If the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- (b.) If the child is prevented by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) If there is no Public Elementary School which the child can attend within the distance of two miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.

As to the Time during which Children shall attend School.

III. The time during which such child shall attend school shall be the whole time for which the school shall be open for instruction, provided that the parent may withdraw any child from any religious observance or instruction in religious subjects, for such time as may be occupied therein, and the child may not be required to attend school on any of the following days:—

- (a.) Any day set apart exclusively for religious observance by the religious body to which the parent of such child may belong.
- (b.) Any Public Holyday.
- (c.) Any day of examination in religious subjects, if such child has been withdrawn from such instruction therein.
- (d.) Provided always, that any requirements herein contained shall not be held or construed to apply to any child employed in labour, and receiving instruction in conformity with the provisions of the Factory Acts, or of the Workshops Regulation Bill.

Provision for Total or Partial Exemption from Attendance if the Child has reached a certain Standard.

IV. 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 fourth standard of education, mentioned in the Revised 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 third standard of education mentioned in the said Code, shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school more than one-half of the whole time any one week.

Providing for the Remission of School Fees.

V. 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 poverty to pay the school fees of such child, the School Board will remit the whole or such part of the fees as, in the opinion of the Board, the parent is unable to pay, for a renewable period, to be fixed by the Board, not exceeding six calendar months, provided such school shall in all cases be a Board school.