child [A.B.] who is now between five and thirteen years of age, to attend an Elementary School.

Dated this day of , A.D. 187.
[C. D.,]

Clerk to the School Board.

Office of the School Board, North Walsham.

The officer serving this notice will explain the same, and the consequences of refusing to comply therewith, and will also give you any information relating thereto, or to the schools which your child may attend.

The officer will not disclose the fact of your having been served with this notice, or any information relating thereto, to any person other than a member of the Board, or a school manager, or

the principal teacher of a school.

If you do not comply with this notice, and wish to give any reason or explanation for not doing so, you are invited to attend a meeting of the School Board, or Committee thereof, or of school managers appointed by the Board, to be held in the

, on the day of , 187, between and o'clock in the ; and, before any proceedings are taken against you, full consideration will be given by the Board to any statement you

officer serving this notice.

A T the Court at Windsor, the 25th day of June, 1872.

may think fit to make at such meeting, or to the

## PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council'

THEREAS the School Board of Batley, 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 ninth of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, numbered 116.

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. CXVI.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT, 1870.

Borough of Batley.

BYE-LAWS OF THE BATLEY SCHOOL BOARD.

Recital of 74th Section of Education Act, authorising School Boards to make Bye-laws as to Attendance at School.

WHEREAS, by the 74th section of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, it is enacted that every School Board may from time to time, with the ap-

probation of the Education Department, make Byelaws for all or any of the following purposes:—

- Requiring the parents of children of such age, not less than five years nor more than thirteen years, as may be fixed by the Byelaws, to cause such children (unless there is some reasonable excuse) to attend school.
- 2. Determining the time during which children are so to attend school, provided that no such Bye-law 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 or her parent belongs, or shall be contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.
- 3. Providing for the remission or payment of the whole or any part of the fees of any child, where the parent satisfies the School Board that he is unable from poverty to pay the same.
- 4. Imposing penalties for the breach of any Bye-laws.
- Revoking or altering any Bye-laws previously made.

Provided, that any Bye-law under this section, requiring a child between ten and thirteen years of age to attend school, shall provide for the total or partial exemption of such child from the obligation to attend school if one of Her Majesty's Inspectors certifies that such child has reached a standard of education specified in such Bye-laws.

## Reasonable Excuses for Non-attendance.

And by the said 74th section, it is further enacted, that any of the following reasons shall be a reasonable excuse, namely:—

- 1. That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- 2. That the child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- That there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend, within such distance, not exceeding three miles, measured according to the nearest road from the residence of such child, as the Bye-laws may prescribe.

## Penalties for Breach of Bye-laws.

And by the said 74th section, it is further enacted, that any proceeding to enforce any Byelaw may be taken, and any penalty for the breach of any Byelaw may be recovered, in a summary manner; but no penalty imposed for the breach of any Byelaw shall exceed such amount as, with costs, will amount to five shillings for each offence, and such Byelaws shall not come into operation until they have been sanctioned by Her Majesty in Council.

Recital of Section 17, providing for Payment of School Fees to School Board, and for Remission of Fees in case of Poverty.

And whereas, by the 17th section of the said Act, it is enacted, that every child attending a school provided by any School Board, shall pay such weekly fee as may be prescribed by the School Board, with the consent of the Education Department; but the School Board may, from time to time, for a renewable period not exceeding six months, remit the whole or any part of such fee in the case of any child when they are of opinion that the parent of such child is unable, from poverty,