

meeting a quorum of the members of such Board are present, the said Board do hereby, subject to the approval of the Education Department, and the sanction of Her Majesty in Council, make and ordain the following Bye-laws :—

*Parents shall cause their Children to attend School.*

1. Subject to the provisions of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and of these Bye-laws, the parent of every child not less than five years of age, nor more than thirteen years of age, residing within the district of the said township of Cockermouth, shall cause such child (unless there is some reasonable excuse) to attend School.

*Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.*

2. Any person committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be subject to a penalty which, with costs, will not exceed five shillings for each offence.

*Payment and Remission of School Fees of Children of Indigent Parents.*

3. Where the parent of any child satisfies the School Board that he or she is unable, from poverty, to pay the whole or some part of the school fees of such child, the School Board, in the case of a school provided by the Board, will remit, and in the case of any other Public Elementary School selected by the parent, will pay the whole or such part of the fees as, in the opinion of the Board, the parent is not able to pay, for a renewable period to be fixed by the Board, not exceeding six calendar months, provided that the amount of fees to be remitted or paid shall not exceed the sum of three pence per week.

*Time during which Children shall attend School.*

4. 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 during the time or times in which any religious observance is practised, or instruction in religious subjects is given, and that no child shall be required—

- (a.) To attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his or her parent belongs.
- (b.) To attend school (if withdrawn by the parent) on Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or any day set apart for a day of Public Fast or Thanksgiving, or on Saturday, after twelve o'clock at noon.
- (c.) To attend school on any day fixed for the inspection of the school, or the examination of the scholars therein, in respect of religious subjects.
- (d.) To attend school under these Bye-laws if such requirements would be contrary to any thing contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

Provided that if one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools shall certify that any child between ten and thirteen years of age has reached the fifth standard of education mentioned in the New 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 fourth standard of education mentioned in the said Code shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school more than fifteen hours in any one week.

*Reasonable Excuses for Non-Attendance.*

Any of the following reasons shall be a reasonable excuse ; namely,

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

*Date on which Bye-laws shall come into Operation.*

5. These Bye-laws shall take effect from and after the day on which the same shall be sanctioned by Order in Council.

Sealed with the Corporate  
Common Seal of the School  
Board of the township of  
Cockermouth, this 24th day  
of April, 1873.



*Herbert Lovallin Puzley*, Chairman.

Sealed in the presence of

*Horace R. Wyndham*, Clerk, pro tem.

*Privy Council Office, June 26, 1873.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council from certain Inhabitant Householdors of the town of Stoke-upon-Trent, in the county of Stafford, praying that Her Majesty in Council, under the Act 1 Victoria, cap. 78, will be pleased to grant to that town a ROYAL CHARTER, by which the powers and provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 5 and 6 William the Fourth, cap. 76, may be extended to the Inhabitants of the said town, within the limits to be set forth in such Charter ; and that a further Petition has been presented to Her Majesty, from certain inhabitants of parts of Fenton Culvert and Fenton Vivian, in the parish of Stoke-upon-Trent, in the said county of Stafford, praying that those parts of that township that are within the Ecclesiastical District of Stoke-upon-Trent, may be included in any Charter that may be granted to that town ; and notice is hereby further given, that Her Majesty has been pleased, by Her Order in Council of this twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, to order that the said Petition be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on the twenty-ninth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

*Whitehall, June 14, 1873.*

The Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration that upon the decease of John, first Baron Churston, on the 4th day of September, 1871, the title and dignity of Baron Churston devolved upon his grandson and heir John, now Baron Churston, as eldest son and heir of John Yarde-Buller, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable John Yarde-Buller), whilst living the son and heir apparent of the said John, first Baron Churston, and that according to the ordinary rules of honour the brothers and sisters of the said John, now Baron Churston, cannot enjoy that place and precedence which would have been due to them in case their said father had survived his father the