

- (b) To attend school 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.

Provided also that any requirement 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 Act, 1867.

Child who has attained a certain proficiency shall be exempt.

4. In case one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools shall certify that any child between 10 and 13 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.

5. A child shall not be required to attend school

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

6. Provided always that if and whenever the present Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the regulations affecting any child subject thereto, contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour, the said regulations shall prevail, and the said Bye-laws shall affect such child only to such extent as they are consistent with the said regulations.

Payment and remission of School Fees of Children of Indigent Parents.

7. Where the parent of any child between 5 and 13 years of age whom the School Board may require under these Bye-laws to attend some Public Elementary School 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 or guardian 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 hereby undertaken to be remitted or paid shall not exceed 6d. a week, provided also that in no case shall the amount of fees hereby undertaken to be paid by the Board be in excess of those usually charged for children under the same standard of education by the Public Elementary School to which the parent shall elect to send such child.

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Penalty for breach of Bye-laws.

8. Any person committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding two shillings and sixpence, provided that all breaches of these Bye-laws in one and the same week shall be deemed one offence, and that no penalty imposed for the breach of any Bye-law shall exceed such a sum as with costs will amount to five shillings for each offence.

Date on which Bye-laws shall come into operation.

9. 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 Holme St. Cuthbert, this 30th day of May, 1874.

Sealed in the presence of
William Bridges, Chairman.
P. de E. Collin, Clerk.



Osborne, August 6, 1874.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Mutu Coomára Swámy, Esq., a Member of the Legislative Council of Ceylon.

Osborne, August 6, 1874.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Charles Whetham, Esq., Alderman of the City of London, and Sheriff of London and Middlesex.

Osborne, August 6, 1874.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on John Henry Johnson, Esq., Sheriff of London and Middlesex.

*Master of the Horse's Office,
Royal Mews, Picnic, August 1, 1874.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Colonel John C. McNeill, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., to be an Equerry in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of Major-General Lord Alfred Paget, Chief Equerry and Clerk Marshal, who resigns the Chief Equerryship only.

Downing Street, August 10, 1874.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint David Peter Chalmers, Esq., to be Queen's Advocate for the Gold Coast Colony.

Westminster, August 7, 1874.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to