

every such child is required to attend school for such time as the Board may, under the circumstances, deem suitable to the case.

4. In addition to the reasonable excuses for non-attendance of a child at school, mentioned in the Elementary Education Act, 1870, viz. :—

- (1) That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- (2) That the child has been prevented attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.

It shall be

(3) A reasonable excuse for his non-attendance, that there is no Public Elementary School open which the child can attend within three miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.

5. Nothing in these Bye-laws

(1) Shall prevent the withdrawal of any child from any religious observance or instruction in religious subjects.

(2) Shall require any child to attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his parent belongs : or,

(3) Shall have any force or effect in so far as it may be contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

6. When the parent of any child, residing in the district of the School Board, satisfies the Board that he is unable, from poverty, to pay the whole or some part of the school fees of such child, the Board, in the cause of a school provided by the Board, will remit, and in the case of any other Public Elementary School, will pay 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 that the Board do not hereby undertake to pay, in any case, more than three pence per week per child.

7. Any person committing a breach of these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding five shillings, including costs, for each offence, provided that all breaches of these Bye-laws by a parent, in one and the same week, shall be deemed one offence.



George Head, Chairman.

Evelyn A. Head, Clerk.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1876.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 17th day of *May*, 1876.

PRESENT,

The **QUEEN'S** Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Walsall, 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 second of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, numbered 611.

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.

C. L. Peel.

Bye-laws referred to in the foregoing Order.

No. DCXI.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS,
1870 AND 1873.

Borough of Walsall.

BYE-LAWS OF THE WALSALL SCHOOL BOARD.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of a requisition sent by the Education Department to the Mayor of the borough of Walsall, in the county of Stafford, a School Board for the district of the said borough was duly elected on the 2nd day of February, 1871.

And whereas Bye-laws were duly made by the said School Board on the 18th day of October, 1871, and the said Board are desirous of revoking the same, and of making new Bye-laws in lieu thereof.

Now, at a Meeting of the School Board of the said borough of Walsall, duly convened and held at the Guildhall, in the said borough, this 2nd day of February, 1876, at which meeting a quorum of the members of such Board are present, the said Board do hereby, in pursuance of the powers given to them by the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 and 1873, and subject to the approval of the Education Department, make the following Bye-laws, to take effect forthwith, after the same shall receive the sanction of Her Majesty in Council.

1. The said Bye-laws made on the 18th day of October, 1871, shall forthwith be, and the same are hereby, revoked.

2. In these Bye-laws—

Interpretation.

The term "Education Department" means the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education.

The term "Her Majesty's Inspectors" means the Inspectors of Schools appointed by Her Majesty on the recommendation of the Education Department.

The term "Borough of Walsall" or "borough" means the municipal borough of Walsall, as defined by the Act for the regulation of municipal corporations in England and Wales, and includes any future enlargement or extension of that borough.

Terms importing males include females.

The term "School Board" or "Board" means the School Board of the district comprising the borough of Walsall.

The term "Walsall School District" or "School District" means the school district to which the School Board belongs.

The term "School" or "Public Elementary School" means a Public Elementary School, as defined by the said Elementary Education Acts.

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 Walsall School District.

The term "Child" means a child residing within the Walsall School District.

Attendance.

3. Subject to the provisions of the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 and 1873, and of these Bye-laws, the parent of every child of not less