

*Reasonable Excuses.*

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 has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) 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.

*Time of Attendance.*

3. The time during which every child shall attend school shall be the whole time for which the school selected shall be open for the instruction of children of similar age, including the day fixed by Her Majesty's Inspector for his annual visit.

*Proviso as to Religion and Labour Acts.*

4. Provided always, that nothing in these Bye-laws—

- (a.) Shall prevent the withdrawal of any child from any religious observance or instruction in religious subjects;
- (b.) Shall require any child to attend school on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which its parent belongs; or
- (c.) 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.

*Proviso as to Standard for Exemption.*

5. And provided always, that—
- (a.) A child between ten and thirteen years of age shall not be required to attend school if such child has received a certificate from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools that it has reached the fourth standard prescribed by the Code of 1876.
  - (b.) A child between ten and thirteen years of age shown to the satisfaction of the Local Authority to be beneficially and necessarily employed, shall not be required to attend school for more than 200 attendances in each year, from the 30th September to the 1st of May, if such child has received a certificate from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools that it has reached the third standard prescribed by the Code of 1876.

*Penalty.*

6. Every parent who shall not observe, or shall neglect or violate these Bye-laws, or any of them, shall, upon conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding, with the costs, five shillings for each offence.

*Revocation.*

7. Any Bye-laws heretofore made under Section 74 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, or under that section as amended by the Elementary Education Act, 1876, are hereby revoked as from the day on which the present Bye-laws shall come into operation.

The above Bye-laws were made by the above School Board at a Meeting held on the 16th day of July, 1877.

In witness whereof the School Board have hereunto set their Common Seal this 16th day of July, 1877.



Sealed in the presence of—  
S. R. Bosanquet, Chairman.  
Richd. Eastham, Clerk.

*War Office, October 27, 1877.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Frederick Augustus Abel, Esq., Chemist to the War Department; Ralph Wood Thompson, Esq., Assistant Under Secretary of State for the War Department; Major Charles William Wilson, of the Royal Engineers, late Assistant Quartermaster-General, Topographical Section, War Office; Major-General Charles Wright Younghusband, of the Royal Artillery, Superintendent of the Royal Gun Factories; Charles Walpole, Esq., late Assistant Comptroller of Legacy Duties; George Everest, Esq., late Clerk for Criminal Business, Home Office; Robert Baker, Esq., Inspector of Factories, and Alexander Redgrave, Esq., Inspector of Factories, to be Ordinary Members of the Civil Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

*Admiralty, 26th October, 1877.*

Navigating Lieutenant William Henry Hayward has been promoted to the rank of Staff Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 16th instant.

*Admiralty, 27th October, 1877.*

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 5th February, 1872—  
Sub-Lieutenant George Robert Berkeley Grimes has this day been placed on the Retired List.

*Royal Marines.*

Quartermaster Richard Halling, Royal Marine Light Infantry, has been placed on the Retired Half-pay List, from the 26th October, 1877.

*Admiralty, 30th October, 1877.*

The following promotions, to date the 27th instant, have been made:—

## Sub-Lieutenants:

William John Henry Auton,  
Robert Stevenson Dalton Cumming,  
Frederick Gordon M'Kinstry,  
John Lionel Eagles,  
Stanley Talbot Dean Pitt,  
John Anthony Beaufoy Milton,  
Arthur Jabez Loane,  
Francis Alban Arthur Gifford Tate,  
Harry Cutfield Martin,  
Francis Simpson Ommanney,  
Alfred Fulling Welldon,  
Francis William Barrett,  
Arthur Robert Francis Bailey,  
Henry Bradwardine Jackson,  
Arthur Thomas McMurrrough Kavanagh,  
to be Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet.

*War Office, Pall Mall,  
30th October, 1877.**63rd Regiment of Foot.*

Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Waddy, K.C.B., to be Colonel, vice General Thomas Maitland Wilson, transferred to the 96th Foot. Dated 15th October, 1877.

*96th Regiment of Foot.*

General Thomas Maitland Wilson, from the 63rd Foot, to be Colonel, vice General Thomas Crombie, deceased. Dated 15th October, 1877.