

said included a debt of thirteen thousand three hundred and eighty-five pounds one shilling and three pence which said debt on March twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, amounted to ten thousand eight hundred and thirty-six pounds nineteen shillings and four pence.

"And whereas it is expedient that such provision should be made for the continuance of a Burial Board for the Burial Board Area and for the property, rights, powers, duties, obligations, and privileges conferred or imposed by or acquired under the Order of 1875 and the Act of 1883 as by this Scheme is hereinafter made.

"And whereas a School Board was duly and lawfully formed and constituted for that portion of the township of Newchurch-in-Rossendale comprised within the Local Government District of Rawtenstall being that portion of the township which does not form part of the Borough of Bacup, which said last-mentioned School Board is called the Newchurch-in-Rossendale School Board and is hereinafter spoken of as the 'Newchurch School Board.'

"And whereas under and by virtue of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and the various Acts amending the same a School Board was formed for the township of Tottington-Higher-End, part of which township is comprised within the Local Government District of Rawtenstall and a part within the Local Government Districts of Haslingden and Ramsbottom, which said last-mentioned School Board is hereinafter referred to as the Tottington-Higher-End School Board.

"And whereas the area of the municipal borough to be created by the Charter contains the whole of the District of the Newchurch School Board and such part of the District of the Tottington-Higher-End School Board as was within the said Local Government District and it is expedient that in this Scheme provisions should be made with respect to the said Boards and that the same should be continued for such periods as hereinafter in this Scheme provided in that behalf.

"And whereas such part of the Local Government District of Rawtenstall as was not within the districts of the said School Boards was not within the School District of any School Board but was within the jurisdiction of the School Attendance Committee of the Haslingden Union.

"And whereas the Local Board, the Central Ward Burial Board, and the said School Boards are Local Authorities within the meaning of the Municipal Corporations Acts, 1882 and 1885.

"And whereas notice of the said Petition for the grant of a Charter of Incorporation was given to the Lancashire County Council and was also sent to the Local Government Board and the Privy Council have considered such representations as were made by the said County Council and the Local Government Board together with the Petition for such Charter.

"And whereas the Scheme was before being settled by the Committee of Council referred to the consideration of the Committee of the Lords of the Privy Council on Education (hereinafter referred to as the Education Department) to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State and to the Local Government Board.

"And whereas it is expedient that a Scheme should be made and settled containing the provisions hereinafter set forth.

"Now, therefore, pursuant to the Municipal Corporations Acts, 1882 and 1885, and every other power enabling them in that behalf, the said Committee of Council have settled a Scheme con-

taining the provisions herein and do hereby direct, order, and declare as follows:—

"1. This Scheme may be cited for all purposes as the Borough of Rawtenstall Scheme, 1890.

"2. This Scheme shall (except as hereinafter provided) come and be deemed to have come into operation on the day of the first meeting of the Council of the Municipal Borough created by the said Charter, and this Scheme shall (except as aforesaid) be construed and applied as if it had been dated and confirmed by Parliament or Order in Council on the day before the day of the said first Meeting and everything thereunder shall be done and had accordingly. This date is hereinafter referred to as the 'commencement of this Scheme.' So far as may be necessary this Scheme shall operate retrospectively.

"3. The municipal borough created by the said Charter shall be placed immediately on, from, and after the day of the first meeting of the Council of the Municipal Borough aforesaid, and thenceforward within the jurisdiction of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Rawtenstall acting by the Council of the borough as the Sanitary Authority for the said borough.

"4. The Local Board its powers, duties, obligations, and privileges shall continue and be deemed to have continued until the commencement of this Scheme unaffected in any manner whatsoever by the creation of the said borough, and until the commencement of this Scheme all acts, things, and matters may be done or omitted to be done by the Local Board as if no Charter had been granted, and all acts, matters, and things done or omitted to be done by the Local Board from the grant of the said Charter until the commencement of this Scheme shall be valid and be deemed to have been valid if they might have been valid or validly done or omitted to be done if no such Charter had been granted and for the purposes of the Local Board and of the Local Government District of Rawtenstall as such the grant of the Charter shall be deemed to have in no way affected the Local Board and the said district as such. The foregoing provisions of this clause shall come into force forthwith and shall be retrospective so far as may be necessary. Immediately from and after the commencement of this Scheme, the Local Board shall be and the same is hereby abolished and shall thenceforth be dissolved and cease to exist.

"5. Until the commencement of this Scheme or its confirmation as aforesaid (whichever is the later date) the Central Ward Burial Board shall continue and be deemed to have been continued with all its rights, powers, liabilities, duties, and property in all respects as if no Charter had been granted, and this clause shall come into force forthwith.

"6. Upon and immediately from the commencement of this Scheme or its confirmation as aforesaid (whichever is the later date) the Councillors of the borough of Rawtenstall from time to time representing the wards of the said borough, in the Charter named Ward No. 1 or Central Ward South, and Ward No. 2 or Central Ward North, shall form and are hereby constituted the Burial Board for the Burial Board area, and a body corporate and politic by the name of the 'Central Wards of Rawtenstall Burial Board,' and shall be and be deemed to be the continuation of the Burial Board formed by or under Section 7 of the Act of 1883, and shall be deemed to be a Burial Board elected under the Burial Acts for the time being in force and all the powers, rights, duties, capacities, liabilities, obligations and property whatsoever of the Central Ward Burial