

And (in the case of girls) sewing and needlework, and the principles of domestic economy.

But no child shall be compelled to be present at the teaching of history whose parents or guardians object thereto.

(b.) The school shall be kept open five days in each week for at least four hours, two of which in the forenoon and two in the afternoon shall be consecutive, and the teaching shall be entirely of a secular character. 5

(c.) The school buildings may be used on days and at hours other than those used for public-school purposes upon such terms as the Committee may from time to time prescribe. 10

(d.) The class-books used in the school shall be such only as shall be approved by the Governor in Council.

(e.) The school shall be open at all times to the visits of an Inspector. 15

(f.) No fees shall be payable at any public school except as hereinbefore provided in the case of district high schools.

Military drill.

1877, No. 21, sec. 85

Playgrounds.

136. In public schools provision shall be made for the instruction in military drill of all boys, and whenever practicable there shall be attached to each school a playground of at least a quarter of an acre. 20

Physical drill to be taught in public schools.

1901, No. 17, sec. 2

Education Board to make regulations.

Ibid, sec. 3

137. (1.) It shall be the duty of the Board in each district to cause physical drill to be taught to all boys and girls over the age of eight years attending the public schools in the district. 25

(2.) The Board of each district shall from time to time, with the approval of the Minister, make orders for fixing the times which shall be appointed and set apart for instructing boys and girls of the required age in physical drill, and the mode in which such instruction shall be given. 30

Annual report to Minister.

Ibid, sec. 4

(3.) Every Board shall include in its annual report to the Minister a report of the manner in which the requirements of this section have been carried out.

Children attending Native schools to be taught physical drill.

Ibid, sec. 5

(4.) Out of the vote provided for Native schools the Minister shall make provision for the teaching of physical drill to all children over the age of eight years attending such schools. 35

Exemptions.

Ibid, sec. 6

(5.) Upon the principal teacher of any school being satisfied that any boy or girl is unfit to undergo physical drill, such boy or girl shall be exempted from being instructed in such drill.

Evening schools.

1877, No. 21, sec. 86

138. Every male teacher having principal charge of a public school may open an evening school for pupils above thirteen years of age; but at such evening schools the teacher may charge a fee for the instruction of such pupils, subject to the approval of the Committee. 40

Expulsion of children in certain cases.

Ibid, sec. 87

139. It shall be lawful for the teacher of any school to expel or forbid the attendance of any child for want of cleanliness, or who may be likely to communicate any contagious disease, or who from gross misconduct or incorrigible disobedience may be considered an injurious or dangerous example to the other scholars. 45

The parent or guardian of any child so expelled, or whose attendance has been forbidden, shall have a right of appeal, first to the Committee, and finally to the Board of the district. 50