To encourage Committees to improve the condition of the school and grounds under their charge, the Board will be prepared to subsidize at the rate of £1 for £1 all moneys raised locally and expended wholly on the undermentioned works: Asphalting grounds, renewal of fencing of school premises and glebes, creeting shelter-sheds, &c. A subsidy shall on no account be paid unless the Board's sanction to the expenditure has been obtained prior to the works being carried out, and all applications for such sanction must be accompanied by a full statement of the proposed works and an estimate of their cost.

SOUTHLAND EDUCATION BOARD.

Allowances to School Committees.

1. The Board will contribute every year to the School Fund of the several schools according to the following scale:—

£10 will be paid to each school in the district having an average attendance of 20 to 25, inclusive, or upwards.

A capitation subsidy of 3s, 6d, per head will be paid for all pupils in average attendance above the number of twenty-five in each school.

2. The sums contributed to the School Fund under the above scale are intended to assist in meeting the cost of—

(1.) Cleaning school buildings and premises.

(2.) Providing fuel for schoolrooms.

(3.) Making necessary repairs on school buildings, premises, furniture, and fencing.

(4.) For defraying the expenses incurred in connection with the Committee's meetings and correspondence.

- 3. The Board cannot undertake to make any further allowance for the above purposes. No portion of the Board's contribution to the School Fund is to be spent on prizes or school fêtes and entertainments.
- 4. Grants for extra works in connection with schoolhouses and grounds, such as shelter-sheds, coal-sheds, ornamental fencing, and gravelling grounds (if made) shall be on the principle of a subsidy equal to the amount raised by any Committee for such extra works.

5. Applications for all works must be accompanied by a statement of the extent, nature, and

probable cost thereof.

6. Applications for refunds: No liabilities incurred by School Committees can be recognized

by the Board unless its sanction has first been obtained.

The foregoing regulations, which supersede all previously existing ones, were adopted at a special meeting of the Board held on the 2nd day of October, 1889, and will come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1890.

By order of the Board.

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JOHN NEILL, Secretary.

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