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tinue until the age of twenty-one unless the Education
Department previously grants exemption. Though a child
is, as a rule, best fitted to begin the school course at the
age of six, advice should be obtained as soon as any sign
of deafness is observed.

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necessity):—

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before learning to speak.
2. Children who can hear a little, but are too deaf to
be taught in a public school.
3. Children who have lost their hearing after having
learned to speak.

The Act imposes upon every parent, teacher of a school
(either public or private), constable, or officer of a chari-
table or kindred institution who is aware of the place of
residence (either temporary or permanent) of a deaf child,
and the householder in whose house any such child resides,
an obligation to send notification of the fact to the
Minister of Education, giving the name, age, and address
of the child; and any neglect or failure to comply with
this provision involves liability to a fine.

Information and advice may be obtained from the
Director, or from

THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION,
WELLINGTON.

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