

PART IV.—MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL.

50. There shall be provided at the school a general course of secondary education and one or more vocational courses :

Provided that, without the previous written consent of the Minister, no vocational course other than a course in Commerce, Domestic Science, or Agriculture shall be provided if a similar course is provided at a technical high school situate in the same or an adjoining borough, town district, or road district, and, further, that if the equipment used in any vocational course (other than a course in Commerce, Domestic Science, or Agriculture) is provided in whole or in part with funds furnished by the Government (otherwise than by way of subsidy or voluntary contributions) such equipment shall be available for the purpose of instruction in evening classes under the regulations for manual and technical instruction.

51. The programme of each pupil shall be determined by the Principal after consultation with the parents or guardian of the pupil ; but in all cases the programme of each girl shall include adequate instruction in elementary domestic science and hygiene, and in one or more of the domestic arts, extending in general over not less than two years of the secondary course provided. No pupils shall be compelled to take Latin or to take more than one language besides English.

52. The school year shall consist of three terms of about thirteen weeks each.

53. The Principal shall cause the pupils to be examined at least twice in each year.

54. Subject to the general direction of the Board, the Principal shall have the following powers :—

- (1) He shall have control of the buildings and premises of the establishment, and of the apparatus and furniture thereof.
- (2) He shall have the power to recommend the appointment or dismissal of assistant teachers or of other officers of the establishment, and to allot their several duties ; and no such assistant teacher or other officer shall be appointed until the Principal has been consulted as to his suitability.
- (3) He shall have the power in case of grave neglect of duty or of gross misbehaviour to suspend any assistant teacher or other officer, but shall forthwith report his action to the Chairman. The action of the Principal shall hold good until the Board has determined the matter.
- (4) He shall be supreme over the discipline, and may suspend from attendance any pupil, reporting his action to the Board at their next meeting, and the action of the Principal shall hold good until the Board has come to some determination in regard to the matter. He shall not expel any pupil without the sanction of the Board.
- (5) He shall regulate all text-books, methods, and organization in accordance with clause 51 hereof, and, subject to the same clause and to the regulations under the Education Act, shall determine the course of study for each pupil : Provided that the text-books be taken from the list selected by the Director and approved by the Minister.

SCHEDULE.

RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS BY PARENTS.

(1) In this Schedule " elector " means a person whose name duly appears on the roll at the time when it is closed for the purposes of any election.

(2) For the purposes of each election the Returning Officer shall prepare a roll, and shall enter therein the name, occupation, and address of every person qualified to be enrolled as a parent of a pupil of the school. The roll shall be closed at 5 o'clock on the fourteenth day before the day on which any election is to be held, and shall continue to be closed until the election is completed.

(3) The roll shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection in the hands of the Returning Officer by any person whose name is entered therein, and by any person representing to the Returning Officer that he is entitled to have his name entered therein.

(4) Any question that arises touching the right of any person to have his name entered in or retained on the roll shall be decided by the Returning Officer, and his decision shall be final.

(5) The Returning Officer shall, by advertisement in a newspaper circulating in the locality of the school, publicly notify not less than twenty-one days before each election—