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ARTICLE VIII.—*Children, Parents and Guardians.*

SEC. 1. No pupil will be admitted under six years of age, nor unless decently and comfortably clothed.

SEC. 2. Pupils ought to enter promptly at the beginning of each term.

SEC. 3. No part of the book fee will be returned in case of the dismissal, expulsion, or voluntary withdrawal of any pupil. With the consent of the Commissioners, pupils may be transferred from one school to another during the term.

SEC. 4. Any pupil who may be prevented by protracted sickness—say one month—from attending school during the term, for which payment has been made in advance, shall be entitled to a proportionate deduction in the book fee of the succeeding term.

SEC. 5. Parents and guardians are expected to require punctual attendance of their children or wards at school; to keep them well and comfortably clothed, so that the school will always present a respectable appearance. They are expressly required, on no account, to interfere with teachers in the discharge of their duties, but to lodge all complaints before the Commissioner of the District, by whom they will be attended to.

SEC. 6. Parents and guardians must exercise strict vigilance over their children or wards, and prevent them from defacing, destroying, or losing any of the books belonging to the Public Schools, and see that all books and stationery are returned when the child leaves school. Parents will be required to replace or pay for all books retained, destroyed or lost; they will be held responsible and required to pay for all damages done by their children or wards to school houses, school furniture, trees, fences, &c.

SEC. 9. Smoking, chewing tobacco, carrying fire arms or other dangerous weapons, either in the school house or on the premises, are strictly forbidden.

SEC. 10. No pupil shall be received into school unless properly vaccinated.

See Appendix.

ARTICLE IX.—*The Government of Schools.*

SEC. 1. The system of instruction and the text books shall be uniform throughout the State, and shall embrace the following branches, viz: Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, History, English Grammar, Book-keeping, Algebra, Natural Philosophy and such other branches as the Commissioner, with the consent of the Board may select. Each pupil must pursue the prescribed course of study.