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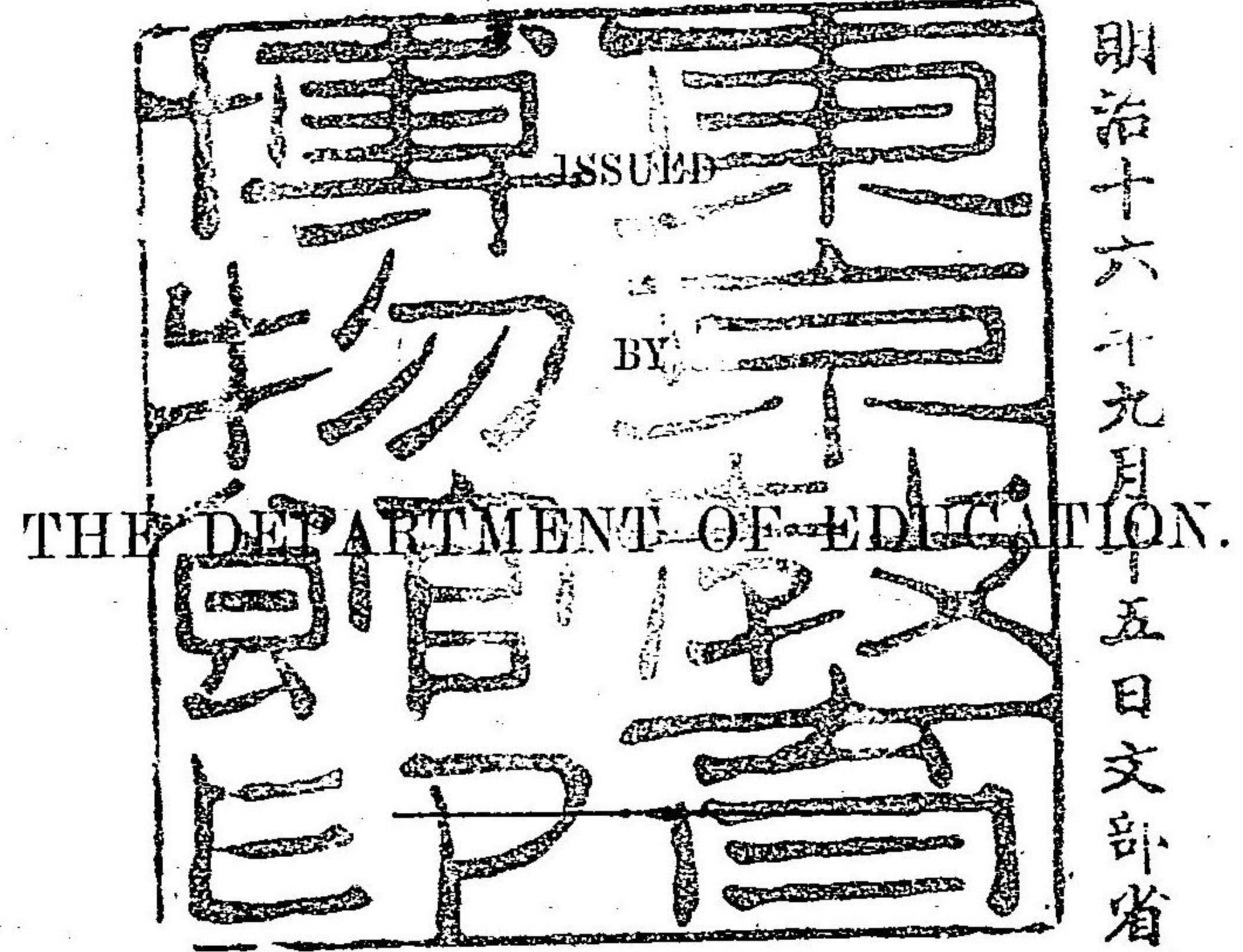
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ART. I.

Affairs concerning the compulsory attendance of children of school age, shall be conducted by the school committees under the supervision of the Gunchô or Kuchô.

ART. II.

The school committees shall, at the end of each year, classify such children in their respective school districts as are, or will be, of school age, and so come under any of the following clauses, in the ensuing year; and shall lay before the Gunchô or Kuchô duly prepared registers for checking the attendance of such children.

Clause I. Children of school age, who have not yet completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, and who are from any unavoidable circumstances unable to attend school in the ensuing year.

Clause II. Children of school age, who have not yet completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, and are able to attend school in the ensuing year.

Clause III. Children of school age, who have completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, and have satisfactory reasons for non-attendance in the ensuing year.

Clause IV. Children of school age who have completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, and are able to attend school in the ensuing year.

The circumstances and reasons for exemption under clauses I. and III., when submitted by the parents, guardians, etc, shall be specified for each child by the school committees, who shall in turn lay the same for approval before the Gunchô or Kuchô, together with their own opinion as to the validity of the said circumstances and reasons.

ART. III.

On the approval by the Gunchô or Kuchô of claims for exemption under clauses I. and III. of art. II., the said committees shall prepare registers of such children as come under clauses II. and IV. of the same article and are to receive a general education in elementary schools, and shall transfer the said registers of the teachers of elementary

schools; as to the children mentioned in the register, for whom the excuses for non-attendance made by parents, guardians, etc, are not approved, a proper caution shall be given to the said parents, guardians, etc, by the school committees.

ART. IV.

The teachers of elementary schools shall prepare attendance registers, according to the registers of children sent by the school committees, and marking their daily attendance or non-attendance during the school session, shall, at the end of each month, report the same to the school committees.

ART. V.

The school committees shall examine as to the number of days of non-attendance according to the report made by the teachers of elementary schools and occasionally enquiring of parents, guardians, etc, about the circumstances or reasons of such non-attendance, shall, if these prove to be unfounded, caution the said parents, guardians, etc, for the future or request the proper authorities to admonish them.

ART. VI.

The school committees shall, at the beginning of each year, enquire into the cases of such children as came under the following clauses during the previous year, and specifying the circumstances or reasons for each child, together with their own opinions shall receive the approval of the Gunchô or Kuchô in the case of those included under clauses I. and III., and with regard to those falling under clauses II. and IV., shall only report the same to the Gunchô or Kuchô.

Clause I. Children of school age under clause II. in article II., whose attendance during the year was from unavoidable circumstances less than sixteen weeks.

Clause II. Children of school age under clause II. in article II., whose attendance during the year was, without any unavoidable circumstances, less than sixteen weeks.

Clause III. Children of school age under clause IV. in article II., whose attendance during the year was for satisfactory reasons less than sixteen weeks.

Clause IV. Children of school age under clause IV. in article II., whose attendance during the year was without satisfactory reasons less than sixteen weeks.

ART. VII.

The report of the school committees concerning clauses II. and IV. in article VI. having been allowed as reasonable by the Gunchô or Kuchô, the same shall, with his opinion, be submitted to the Governor of the Fu or Ken, for final decision.

ART. VIII.

Children of school age, who having not yet completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, shall be deemed to be under unavoidable circumstances for non-attendance, are generally as follows;

1. Children who are ill.
2. Children whose relations are ill and who have no other persons to attend them.
3. Children who have physical disabilities
4. Children whose families are poor.

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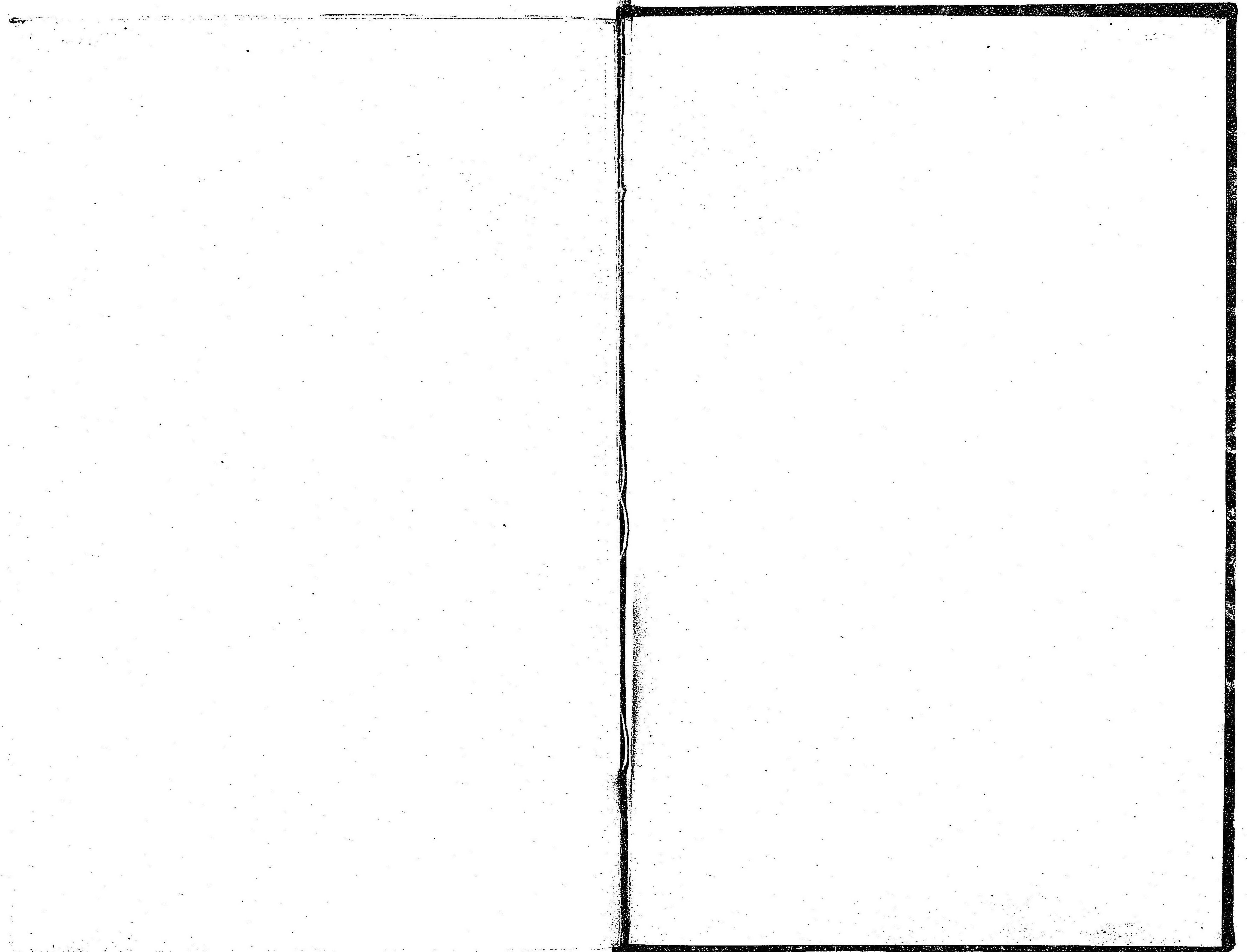
N. B. The last clause shall be limited to such cases only when there are no schools established for the accommodation of such children.

ART. IX.

Children of school age who, having completed the three years' course of elementary instruction, shall be deemed to have satisfactory reasons for non-attendance, are not only those who come under the four clauses above enumerated but also those who are receiving some instruction other than the elementary course, or those who are engaged in industrial pursuits.

ART. X.

As regards the compulsory attendance concerning itinerary instruction, home education, etc, proper regulations shall be established in accordance with the tenor of the foregoing articles.



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