

Are these the new rules now in force at McLaughlin College? Any similarity to the instructions given to the Employees of the Merchants' and Ships' Chandlers of Sydney Town, Australia, posted in 1852, is merely coincidental. (We admit that our source was the E.S. & A. Bank, Adelaide, Australia.)

New rules in McLaughlin ?

- 1 - *Godliness, Cleanliness, and Punctuality are the necessities of a good business.*
- 2 - *On the recommendation of the governor of this colony, this firm has reduced the hours of work, and the Clerical Staff will now only have to be present between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. on week days. The Sabbath is for worship, but if any Man-of-War or other vessel require victualling, the Clerical Staff will work on the Sabbath.*
- 3 - *Daily prayers will be held each morning in the main office. The Clerical Staff will be present.*
- 4 - *Clothing must be of a sober nature. The Clerical Staff will not disport themselves in raiments of bright colours, nor will they wear hose, unless in good repair.*
- 5 - *Overshoes and topcoats may not be worn in the office but neck scarves and head wear may be worn in inclement weather.*
- 6 - *A stove is provided for the benefit of the Clerical Staff. Coal and wood must be kept in the locker. It is recommended that each member of the Clerical Staff bring four pounds of coal each day during cold weather.*
- 7 - *No member of the Clerical Staff may leave the room without permission from the supervisor. The calls of nature are permitted, and the Clerical staff may use the garden below the second gate. This area must be kept in good order.*
- 8 - *No talking is allowed during business hours.*
- 9 - *The craving for tobacco, wines or spirits is a human weakness, and as such, is forbidden to all members of the Clerical Staff.*
- 10 - *Now that the hours of business have been drastically reduced, the partaking of food is allowed between 11:30 am and noon, but work will not, on any account, cease.*
- 11 - *Members of the Clerical Staff will provide their own pens. A new sharpener is available on request to the supervisor.*
- 12 - *The supervisor will appoint a senior clerk to be responsible for the cleanliness of the main office and all boys and juniors will report to him 40 minutes before prayers, and will remain after closing hours for similar work. Brushes, brooms and scrubbers as well as soap are provided by the management.*
- 13 - *The new Weekly Wages are as hereunder increased to:*

<i>Junior Boys (to 11 years) 1/4 per week (13c)</i>	<i>Junior Clerks 8/7 per week (\$1.12)</i>
<i>Boys (to 14 years) 2/1 per week (25c)</i>	<i>Clerks 10/9 per week (\$1.50)</i>
<i>Juniors 4/8 per week (70c)</i>	<i>Senior Clerks (15 years with the owners) 21/ per week (\$2.90)</i>

THE OWNERS HEREBY RECOGNIZE THE GENEROSITY OF THE NEW LABOUR LAWS BUT WILL EXPECT A GREAT RISE IN THE OUTPUT OF WORK TO COMPENSATE FOR THESE NEAR UTOPIAN CONDITIONS.

Little Montage

In autumn the leaves
fall on the ground
And they blow
All over town.
David Boone

At School
At school we always
Work and play,
Learning new things
Every day.
We try real hard
To do things right
And with our classmates
We never fight.

At the end of the term
We have a test
To see if we
Have done our best.
Most of us
Are often glad
While some of us
Are very sad.
Noel Pitts

Trees that grow
from the ground
spread beauty
all around.
Paul Bickford

Since Montage hasn't been anything to write home about (self-irony) and Excalibur staffers are sick and tired of writing crummy poetry,

Money
I love money
It's gold to me.
I spend it on chips
And candy you see.
It tinkles in my pocket
Wherever I go.
What I would do
Without it
I would not know.
Cathy Rees

I have a kitten
Her name is Mitten.
She is so fluffy and warm
We have lots of fun
We play in the sun.
I am so glad she was born.
Shirley Parsons