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- Dec 1st The Inspection school-year began according to the provisions of the new revised Code. At this time we were in rather untoward circumstances; - the late Vicar (Rev'd G.T. HYATT) had just left the place from illness, leaving a Curate (Rev'd W.F.S. MAYNARD) to officiate in the Church until Christmas, or until another incumbent should be appointed, and come into residence etc. Under these circumstances of change and uncertainty etc. and from not being accustomed to it, having the capitation paper to make up and forward etc. etc. and no one happening to provide or speak of it, this book was forgotten, and it quite escaped my memory to make sketches of entries (which should be entered into the authorized Diary or Log Book, when it was procured) until the last week in December. I regret the omissions very much but I trust the circumstances above mentioned will act as an apology for the want of entries during the first three weeks of the School year. Frederick NEEDES, Schoolmaster.
- Dec 1st No entry today.
- 2nd School as usual, but no entry as before.
- 3rd School as usual, but no entry.
- 4th The Rev'd F. NEWMAN, with his Lady and Father & Mother, being under negotiation for the vacant incumbency, visited the school; they seemed very much pleased and satisfied etc. with the order & appearance of the children. A half holiday given in the afternoon; having to prepare the rooms for a Tea Meeting & Concert, which was to take place in the evening.
- 5th School as usual, but no entry.
- 8-12th Received school fees as usual, and carried on the usual instruction etc. during the week.
- 15th Received school-fees - School as usual.
- 16th No entry today.
- 17th Rev'd W. MAYNARD visited the school in the morning, enquired our time of giving Script're Lessons, and promised to give a lesson to the two upper classes.
- 18th Nothing entered to day.
- 19th The Rev'd W. MAYNARD visited the school at 9.45 a.m. and gave a lesson as promised on the history of Joseph, the children seemed very much interested, and answered very fairly. School dismissed in the afternoon for the usual vacation.

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- Jan 5th Commenced our usual School-work after a fortnight's vacation - One new Scholar added Ja's CARTER (Zion Place, Clutton Hill), one left (Alban WHITE) supposed to be gone with his little sister to a school nearer to their home. The Pupil Teacher [Edward COLES] moderate in Scripture History.
- 6th Some of the elder girls absent - employed at nursing and other domestic occupations, - one kept at home by the sickness of her mother - another with her sister in Bath. Obligated to caution the Pupil Teacher very seriously concerning his studies, his geography and Scripture History being still imperfect.
- 7th School as usual - Nothing special to report. The Pupil Teacher much better prepared in his studies, the caution seems to have acted beneficially upon him, and to have done him some good.
- 8th Nothing special to report to day.
- 9th The two upper classes of the Juvenile section were examined in the Catechism by Rev'd W.F.S. MAYNARD at 10 a.m. - they answered very fairly, and he seemed very much pleased with them.
- 12th School as usual - The Rev'd W. MAYNARD gave a lesson to the Infant Section of the school in Scripture History. - Some few children admitted after absence, Ann CHIVERS, who had been in service for a short time, also Juliemma JAMES (the same employment) - Edw'd JENKINS, and one new scholar Thomas NORRIS of Hallatrow.
- 13th Nothing occurred during the day requiring special notice, except that the weather was in some degree wet and stormy.
- 14th The school was visited this morning at 10 a.m. by Rev'd W. MAYNARD - he examined the 1st and 2nd Classes of the Juvenile Section in the Catechism: also in the afternoon Capt'n [George Treweeke] SCOBELL came in and examined the two upper classes (Boys at 3¹/₂ p.m.) in Dictation, he expressed satisfaction at their progress.
- 15th Martha RAPPS & Juliemma JAMES required at home at 11 a.m. to assist their parents in some necessary and unavoidable work. Cha's DOMAN at home with chilblains.
- 16th Cha's JONES asked to leave School at 3¹/₂ p.m.; he said he was wanted at home to rock the baby while his mother was baking.

High Littleton N.S. Summary of the Inspector's Report upon the School. Rec'd 17th January 1863.

"The upper mixed school under the Master has improved in discipline and order during the current year. The Master appears earnest and painstaking. More care must still be paid to the Reading and Arithmetic.

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The lower school under the Wife of the Master is only moderate. The little children might easily be taught to read better and to put down single figures."

A summary and an admission Register is wanted. COLES [*Pupil Teacher*] - Work generally. Signed, on behalf of the Managers, Geo. R. TAYLOR, Secretary.

- Jan 19th Several of the children absent from Sickness especially the younger ones. Rev'd W. MAYNARD came in at 10 a.m. and at 3¹/₂ p.m., assisted some of the elder children in their Arithmetic and Drawing.
- 20th Rev'd W. MAYNARD gave a lesson to the Infant Section on the history of Joseph at 10 a.m. - Ja's CARTER (Church St.) asked leave to go home at 11 as his mother wanted him to pick up some sticks etc. etc. As it seemed a case of necessity I granted the application.
- 21st School visited at 4 p.m. by Rev'd W. MAYNARD, he assisted one of the elder boys with his Arithmetic, and remained during a portion of P.T.'s [*Pupil Teacher's*] special instruction.
- 22nd Nothing to-day seems to require special notice, except the visit of Rev'd W. MAYNARD who came in for a few minutes in the afternoon, he enquiring of our progress, and whether we had seen Rev'd H.H. MOGG.
- 23rd The weather was wet and stormy in the morning, causing a sensible diminution of those usually in attendance at the School. In the afternoon, it was a little finer, and the school somewhat more numerously attended.
- 26th Miss MOGG came in at 10 a.m. to receive the subscriptions of the monthly clothing club in the committee room. Re-arranged the Juvenile section making 4 Classes instead of 3, so that if possible, the instruction might correspond with the Standards of the new revised code.
- 27th School visited at 11¹/₄ a.m. by Rev'd W. MAYNARD, he instructed the 4th Class in reading with explanation etc. A former scholar re-admitted to the Juvenile Section of Boys, he not having sufficient occupation at home.
- 28th I was assisted in the afternoon by Rev'd W. MAYNARD, who for a short time devoted himself to the instruction of the upper classes in Drawing, while I was engaged in explaining a sum not previously finished.
- 29th An unpleasant occurrence in Morn'g with the lately returned Scholar* [*Richard STONE*] and also in the Afternoon with another of the elder boys, both cases were however settled satisfactorily.
- 30th R. STONE* having assaulted one of the elder girls in the play-ground just before School in the morning was sent home, but promising not to repeat the offence I again allowed him to come in the afternoon. The suspension beneficial to the School. Rev'd W. MAYNARD came at 3 p.m. and assisted with the Arithmetic of the upper class.
- Feb 2nd Two new scholars added to the Juvenile Section of the school, one being an improver to attend only in afternoons, the other placed in the 4th class. The morning very rainy, the afternoon fine. An elder scholar not prepared, so I was obliged to make him stand in the room to prepare his lesson. T. EVANS ill.
- 3rd The morning somewhat rainy. Rev'd W. MAYNARD came at about 11.30, he remained a short time listening to the reading of the 4th class. The afternoon a little finer - nothing particular occurred to day.
- 4th Rev'd W. MAYNARD gave a lesson at 10 a.m. to the two upper classes of the Juvenile Section of the school on the Lord's prayer. Sarah WIL[L]COX and Martha EVANS absent from sickness. Anna CARTER at home nursing the baby for her mother.
- 5th John CHIVERS was sent for to come home at 2.55 p.m. As the necessity seemed urgent I granted the application. My wife very unwell and not able to assist me at the School.
- 6th Ja's CARTER (Zion Place) asked leave to go home at 3¹/₂ p.m. as his mother wanted him to bring home some sugar for her tea. My wife still very weak and poorly and not able to help me at the school.
- 9th Ellen WIL[L]COX and Sarah Ann DIX absent from sickness. M.A. COLLINS's mother taken seriously ill. Rev'd W. MAYNARD came in at 3¹/₄ p.m. and assisted the 1st & 2nd classes of Boys (united) in their Drawing exercises. E. MAGGS, A CHIVERS and J. JAMES absent from circumstances at home. 10th The infant section of the school received a lesson from Rev'd W. MAYNARD on the history of Joseph while in Egypt. Thomas NORRIS not at school, supposed to be in consequence of unavoidable circumstances at home. Edwin MAGGS absent from sickness - Job RAPPS also absent, cause not known.
- 11th Nothing remarkable occurred to day.
- 12th Rev'd W. MAYNARD came at 11 a.m., he remained for a short time in the upper section of the School watching the Arithmetic of the upper class.

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- Feb 13th Nothing very remarkable occurred to day; the weather was very fine, but many of the little children are still absent from sickness.
- 16th Having obtained permission from one of the School Committee, we allowed the children to go home at 10.15 a.m. in consequence of the re-opening of Paulton Church; we returned immediately after the service and kept school in the afternoon until 3.30 p.m. as there was a Tea Meeting to be held there and an evening Service which we had a desire to attend. The attendance rather slender to-day.
- 17th James CARTER (Zion Place) asked leave to go home at 3 o'clock as his father wanted him to pull up weeds in their garden. Rev'd W. MAYNARD & Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR (the newly appointed Vicar) came in at 3.20 p.m. to see the School. The weather very fine. Attendance fair.
- 18th Myself not well, having had severe pains in the head and teeth on the previous evening. M.A. WILKINS ill.
- 19th Rev'd W. MAYNARD came in at 10.40 a.m., - he looked over the abstracts written by the 1st class. The weather rather moist and some of the younger children absent.
- 20th One of the upper boys very refractory & obliged to be kept standing apart from the class until he had finished a sum which previously to do at the usual Arithmetic lesson. The School otherwise went on pretty well. Some of the elder girls absent.
- 23rd A former scholar re-admitted (Lydia VENTIN); she said she did not learn anything at her previous school. Sarah and Caroline MAGGS absent, gathering manure, and also a few others making preparations for gardening. Job RAPPS sent home for frequent deficient payment, very irregular attendance and many other faults. The weather very fine, and the school went on fairly.
- 24th C. SAGE asked to go home at 3 p.m. to go out to Grayfield Colliery, as his father had recently met with a dreadful accident (falling partly down the water engine pit) and was still very ill. I thought it best to grant his request. Rev'd W. MAYNARD visited the Infant department in the morning.
- 25th Nothing very particular requiring special notice.
- 26th The School was visited by Rev'd W. MAYNARD; he looked at some of the first class sums, and then heard the reading of the 3rd and afterwards of the 1st class. Miss MOGG came in the afternoon and looked at the needlework.
- 27th Nothing very particular occurred to day which seems to require special notice. Some of the younger children absent from sickness. The Pupil Teacher moderate in his Euclid.
- Mar 2nd Two fresh scholars admitted, Martha & Mary NORRIS (from Hallatrow), both, from their attainments being rather low from necessitated previous absence from school, had to be placed in the Infant Section; - also readmitted Louisa NORRIS (Chapel Row), a former scholar. Henry CARTER absent by reason of sickness. Many others occupied with garden-work or preparation for that purpose.
- 3rd Myself afflicted the greater part of the day with head-ache. Rev'd W. MAYNARD came in at 10¹/₂ a.m. The school progressed very fairly.
- 4th Occupied during a portion of the Afternoon in trying to collect funds for the Commemoration of the Prince of Wales's wedding. I had previously been requested to do so, and having a head-ache, the weather seeming to threaten for rain, and there being a meeting at the School-room in the evening, I thought it would be best to do it then, as it seemed to be the only opportunity.
- 5th The weather still very fine, some of the children sick, others absent with gardening. R. STONE very late (3 p.m.), obliged to be sent home according to a rule established during past and previous year.
- 6th The weather very wet throughout the day. Many of the Infant girls, and others absent in consequence.
- 9th We found it necessary to dismiss the children soon after receiving the School Fees, as the rooms had to be prepared and decorated for the coming celebration on the morrow. I then went to Paulton with the P.T. and a friend in a spring cart, to fetch a small Harmonium which was promised to be lent for the occasion.
- 10th A whole holiday given. The Prince of Wales's wedding celebrated by a meeting & procession of the Churchwardens, Principal Inhabitants, the Children, and others at 2 p.m. An oak-tree planted by the High Sheriff's Lady, and the infant daughter [Eliza Amy] of J. REES MOGG Esq're, afterwards Tea & Cake given to the children and other inhabitants of the Parish, and an amateur Concert of Sacred & Secular Music in the evening by former Scholars who had received their education at the School.
- 11th A whole holiday given to the children, as we were engaged in sending home tables, extra stools, having rooms cleaned, Taking home the Harmonium and preparing and placing apparatus etc. in order for School work the next day.

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- Mar 12th Weather rainy & school thinly attended, especially in the morning. Rev'd W. MAYNARD visited the school at 11¹/₄ a.m.
- 13th The weather somewhat finer, but the school thinly attended; many of the children assisting their parents in planting or preparing to plant potatoes. Some of the younger children still absent from Sickness.
- 16th One new scholar added to the Infant section of the school, Annie NORRIS (Hallatrow), her age perhaps too great for that department but her previous education somewhat checked and hindered by necessitous circumstances. Leave given to Cha's SAGE to go out at 3¹/₄ p.m., having to go to Paulton to get ointment for his father's leg.
- 17th A large Wild Beast Show in the vicinity, so the School was kept on a little longer in the morning & dismissed a little earlier in the afternoon. The progress etc. of the children very favourable on each occasion.
- 18th Had a head-ache. The weather cold and moist, and the school moderately attended. Rev'd W. MAYNARD visited the school at 10¹/₂ a.m., - remained a short time noticing abstracts of 1st & Arithmetic of 3rd and 4th Classes.
- 19th The weather favourable; - some few of the children absent in the afternoon; - one gone to Paulton to try for a situation with a Painter. Progress etc. fair.
- 20th A half holiday given in the afternoon; the Pupil Teacher having to attend the Confirmation at Timsbury, and ourselves being desirous of attending the Service according to our usual custom. The school went on very fairly in the morning, and the children had not the slightest objection to having a holiday in the afternoon. Commenced morning instruction with P.T.
- 23rd A new scholar in the Juvenile section, M.A. WEEKS of Hallatrow. Some few children absent; supposed to be helping their parents with field-garden work usual at this time.
- 24th The school visited in the morning at 11 a.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR being now come into residence at High Littleton, he inspected some of the abstracts of the first class, and listened to the Scripture Lesson of the 3rd (conducted by the Pupil Teacher), remaining a short time in the school. Inkerman CARTER, C. & J. DOMAN, E. WEEKS, E. JENKINS, Ann CHIVERS, absent all day and A. WIL[L]COX in afternoon, supposed to be occupied with garden-work.
- 25th W'm PEARCE & Alb't WIL[L]COX absent to day, helping their parents with potatoe-planting; I. CARTER and some others in afternoon from the same cause.
- 26th Had a visit from Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 11¹/₂ a.m.. he staid some little time, - heard the reading of the 1st Class, and gave some very valuable instruction to the portion of that school. I. CARTER, A. WIL[L]COX, A. PRIDDY, J. CHIVERS, E. JENKINS, S. & C. MAGGS, Christina CURTIS, M.A. EVANS (T.L.), D. CHIVERS and E. JONES, M. PEARCE & J. TAYLOR absent at garden-work.
- 27th The School very much as usual. Nothing special to report.
- 30th Entered names for new Quarter. One new scholar in the Juvenile section (3rd Class), Henry TAVENDER, age 7 yrs, he had been to two other schools for about a twelvemonth previous. Some few children still absent, supposed to be helping with the garden-work usually done at this time of the year.
- 31st Nothing very remarkable to report to day.
- Apr 1st The weather still very fine. Kept in 3 boys who had absented themselves without leave yesterday afternoon (Owen EVANS, Ja's PEARCE and Fred'k DURY). Some few children still absent from Garden-work.
- 2nd Many of the children are absent to-day, - some pulling up Turnips for their fathers previous to the planting of potatoes, others putting down potatoes. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR came in at 11¹/₂ a.m. and 2¹/₄ p.m.
- 3rd This day being Good Friday, very few of the children (as usual) were present. Religious Instruction was given as on Sundays and those present joined us at our usual Services in the Parish Church. Service at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. The people very generally employ themselves very busily in their gardens, the weather being favourable.
- 13th The usual School-work resumed after a week's vacation; new scholars admitted - two young men desiring to attend on afternoons and leisure days in order to improve themselves in Arithmetic and Writing, also Kate WEEKS for the same purpose; Harriett PEARCE to come chiefly mornings, & whenever she could be spared. No attendance of the P.T. for the morning special instruction. He said he had the toothache (on the evening before) until midnight, and in the morning slept so long that it would have been too late for him to come.
- 14th Nothing special to be recorded to-day.
- 15th The weather very fine. Some few children still absent with the potatoe-planting; - others, even little ones employed to mind babies while their mothers were in the field-gardens; three girls kept away & sauntering about in the mornings because they had to put down potatoes in the afternoons. Two others, a boy & girl, absent because their mother had to go out to needlework. Progress of those who were present very fair.

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- Apr 16th The school-work went on very pleasantly & peacefully.
- 17th No attendance of the Pupil Teacher for the morning special instruction; - he assigned as a reason, that he overslept himself. The instruction was, therefore, given after the afternoon school from 4.15 to 5.45 p.m.
- 20th Received school-fees as usual and admitted new scholars, one in Juvenile section, Sarah TAYLOR, two in Infant section, Mary Jane TAYLOR, and William CURTIS. Edw'd WEEKS laid aside by accident (a fall) which happened to him while at work with his father [*Abednego WEEKS*] at the farm.
- 21st Suspended a boy and girl in the Juvenile Section, the boy for idleness, stubbornness and sauciness, the girl for interference; - the mother came, and I explained the matter to her, she expressed sorrow etc. etc. - Re-admitted the boy in the afternoon on promise, but the sister would not promise not to interfere, so I sent her home again. The other children went on and progressed very fairly.
- 22nd School visited in the afternoon at 3³/₄ p.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR, staying some little time, listening to the reading of the two upper classes (Boys, united) and giving instruction by explanatory remarks etc. etc. Many children still absent with gardening & nursing - one employed in keeping house while her father & mother are out at work.
- 24th Nothing very remarkable to day - progress etc. fair and satisfactory.
- 25th Miss MOGG visited the infant section in the course of the morning, and spoke to the mistress concerning some needlework, required to be done in the school by the elder girls.
- 27th Some few former scholars returned to school, Ann CHIVERS, Sarah JAMES and Catharine BRIMBLE in the Juvenile section; and Fanny MAGGS in the Infant Section. Sarah TAYLOR gone to Welton for a time to the house of one of her relations.
- 28th Charles and James DOMAN again at School, also Edward WEEKS, who had been laid aside by an accident which happened to him while helping his father in work upon his grandfather's farm.
- 29th Some few children absent in the afternoon, being required by their parents to assist them in their gardens etc. etc. One boy (Cha's JONES) obliged to go home this afternoon from sickness. No attendance on part of P.T. this morning for the usual special instruction; - When asked about it, he said he was not well. P.T.'s instruction made up after school in the afternoon.
- 30th Cha's JONES still unwell, and not able to attend. Cath'ne BRIMBLE left on account of a disagreement with the Teacher; her attendance never lasts very long under any circumstances, she has very frequently changed from school to school.
- May 1st No special circumstances of any interest, which it seems desirable or necessary to record.
- 4th Caroline MAGGS advanced to the first class. The P.T. did not attend for his usual morning lesson. When he came to school, I found he had a swelled hand; he managed to get through his teaching by having assistance with the writing; and after the afternoon school, as his lesson was not prepared I thought it best for him to study it then; as he could not write, this took up the whole time (with some two or three trials) but he managed to repeat it etc. by the end of the time.
- 5th Re-admitted a boy in the Juvenile Section, who had been for some time absent, and for some months past had not been to any school. The P.T.'s hand a little better but still swelled in some degree. His English History very moderate, but his derivation fair.
- 6th The school visited in the morning at 11.40 by the Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. The re-admitted scholar not at school to day. I heard in the course of the day that he was gone to work for Farmer POOLE [*Joseph POOLE, Broomhill Farm*].
- 7th Nothing particular occurred to day which seems to require special notice. The weather very fine and warm etc.
- 8th Henry TAVENDER very late in the afternoon (after 2¹/₂ p.m.). Sent home according to a rule or custom which has been adopted for the last two years, & found beneficial, in checking late attendance.
- 11th Some of the children absent from circumstances at home, one family removing to another residence (Martha RAPPS's from Cross's Barton to Scumb(er)rum Lane).
- 12th The District Inspector (Rev'd W.H. CARTWRIGHT) with the school Committee, and others visited and inspected the school in the afternoon. The weather was wet stormy and windy, and some few children were absent on that account, but those present did very fairly.
- 13th Nothing very particular occurred to-day, which would seem to require special notice.

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- May 14th The school was visited in the morning at 11¹/₄ by the Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR, who inspected the abstracts of the upper class, and afterwards the arithmetic of the 2nd division of the 2nd class. A.M. EVANS not present to day; M. EVANS absent in Morning - F. WILKINS absent in the afternoon.
- 15th Lessons of P.T. moderate in Euclid & Grammar. One of the elder boys (C. SAGE) having previously disagreed with P.T. about placing his cap on the row of pins suitable to his class & having thrown it on the ground, I sent him to pick it up and replace it, but he took it up & walked out. Having previously to this very often warned him for many acts of slyness, stubbornness and bad conduct, I at the close of school sent home his B'k by P.T. with a notice that he was not to attend again.
- 18th The weather again fine and warm. The attendance somewhat more numerous. The P.T. did not come at the Morning special instruction. He told me that at that time he had severe pains in the bowels.
- 19th The weather altered, and seemingly, settled in for rain. A great many of the children absent from this cause.
- 20th Weather still rainy. The school was visited at 11¹/₂ a.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. The attendance somewhat better than on yesterday. Ann CHIVERS and Martha RAPPS absent from circumstances at home.
- 21st Many children absent from the morning school on account of the weather, which was very rainy. School visited at 11¹/₂ a.m. by Rev'd G. TAYLOR, and in the afternoon at 3¹/₂ p.m. by Miss MOGG, each remaining a short time. Joyce CARTER very late in the afternoon (after 2.30) and therefore sent home according to our usual custom for the suppression of late attendance.
- 22nd Nothing very remarkable occurred to-day requiring special notice. The school dismissed at the usual time for the Whitsuntide Holidays; generally given at that season, on account of the annual Festival.
- Jun 1st Commenced our usual education operations after a week's vacation. Attendance moderately good, considering the proximity of the festivals in the neighbouring villages, which usually take place at this time. The weather very fine etc. etc.
- 2nd The weather very fine and warm, - Nothing very remarkable to-day, which seems to require special notice.
- 3rd The Pupil Teacher was not present at the usual morning special instruction, he said their clock was wrong, and they did not find it out until it was too late for that time. Henry CARTER very late (2.38 p.m.). As his attendance would have been less than the prescribed time and upon a plan previously noticed as found useful for suppressing lateness, he was sent home with advice to come earlier the next morning. The school-room very warm and close etc.
- 4th Martha & Eliza RAPPS very late in Afternoon (2.50), sent home; heard afterwards that they had stopped on the road, a further punishment necessary with these for the future. Obligated to be very sharp and watchful with some of the elder children.
- 5th After careful consideration, I cannot find anything specially to report to-day. The weather chiefly rainy.
- 8th Mary CARTER returned to School after about five months absence, occasioned chiefly by having to mind and nurse her sister's baby. Weather very rainy at intervals, and some few children absent from that and other causes. James PEARCE not at school by reason of sickness.
- 9th The weather still rainy until the middle of the afternoon. T. EVANS and Austin JAMES not at school on account of sickness. Ellen GREEN at a friend's house in Bath this and last week.
- 10th Weather showery throughout the day. Some few of the children absent, supposed to be from that cause especially the younger ones.
- 11th Augusta STONE advanced to the second class; also Cha's DOMAN and W'm PEARCE to the first class. The Pupil Teacher did not come for the morning special instruction. He gave as an excuse, that he overslept himself. I therefore carried on his instruction after the Afternoon school from 4¹/₄ to 5¹/₂ and requested him to be earlier the following morning.
- 12th Eliz'th EVANS absent in the morning, Mary EVANS in the afternoon, also Mary CARTER. Eliz'th and Edwin MAGGS and Edw'd WEEKS not present to day.
- 15th A new scholar admitted in the Juvenile Section (Edward FORD, Hallatrow) placed according to his attainments in the 3rd Class. Some few of the younger children who have been absent have returned to day. Mary & Martha EVANS requested to stay at home for a little time, on account of the illness of a sister, who was coming home in the evening sick with a fever, also Annie MOORE (omitted June 1st) from having a brother at home ill with small pox.
- 16th The day rainy throughout. The Scripture lesson extended beyond the usual time, so that the reading lesson (general) of the 1st and 2nd classes and the transcribing of the 3rd had to be omitted.

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- Jun 17th No special circumstance which seems to require particular notice.
- 18th We closed the morning school at 11.45 and gave a holiday in the afternoon, as there was to be a Missionary Meeting in the evening, and the girls' room had to be prepared, and the stools from both rooms placed there with chairs etc. etc.
- 19th School visited at 10.15 a.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. Rainy weather throughout the day, and the attendance especially in the afternoon rather less in consequence. No attendance of P.T. for morning special Instruction. It was then very wet.
- 22nd Former scholars returned, David HUTTON & Tho's NORRIS. P.T. very unwell, obliged to go to the Doctor instead of coming to the morning special instruction; he received medicine, and advice to suspend his studies entirely while taking it, which would be for about a week. Eliz'th MAGGS advanced to 1st class, Martha RAPPS to 2nd.
- 23rd Myself and Pupil Teacher were invited to a dinner given by Rev'd C. JAMES (Timsbury District agent to our Friendly Society) to the members in his district; so we had to give a half holiday for the purpose of going to Timsbury School to partake of his hospitality. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR came in at 10.15 a.m., remained some little time, and gave a lesson to the Infant section in illustration of the Tables etc.
- 24th S.A. WEEKS absent from sickness. Many others from the commencement of the Haymaking, occupied at home.
- 25th Nothing very remarkable requiring special notice.
- 26th The school was visited at 10.15 a.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR; several of the 2nd Class absent, chiefly engaged in minding house for their mothers while they are out Haymaking; sometimes the children have to carry dinner and tea to their parents while they are thus at work. Some few of the children also absent on account of sickness. Those who were present went on and progressed very fairly.
- 29th Some few children kept at home in consequence of their mothers going out haymaking. The day wet in the morning and fine in the afternoon.
- 30th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR and Mrs TAYLOR visited the school at 10.50 a.m.; each gave instruction to different sections of the school; Mr TAYLOR in Arithmetic to the upper class, Mrs TAYLOR to the infant section with Hymns & Religious Instruction. The school attendance a little less in consequence of the Haymaking, the day being very fine etc. etc.
- Jul 1st No attendance of the Pupil Teacher for morning special instruction. As he had not been well, I did not like to say much to him on the subject.
- 2nd Edward WEEKS advanced to the first class. In the afternoon Ja's CARTER (Church Street) asked leave to go home at 3.30, being required to carry Tea to the hay-field for Farmer [James] HALL's sons [James & Silvanus], who were at work at some distance from their house.
- 3rd Many children absent. The day being very fine, their parents were to a very great extent employed in haymaking, and wanted their children to do certain things for them at home; errands, carrying Dinner & tea to Hay-field etc. etc.
- 6th The attendance rather scanty; - weather very fine and warm; - haymaking very prevalent. There was to be an inspection of the Rifle Volunteers at Capt'n SCOBELL's [Kingwell Hall] in the afternoon, so we gave a half-holiday that the children and ourselves might have an opportunity of witnessing their exercises etc. P.T. did not come to the morning special instruction, he said that his mother mistook the time.
- 7th Some few children present to-day who were absent yesterday, and vice versa. Mary and Martha EVANS with two little sisters (one of them a new scholar) again at school, their sister having recovered. Had in a boy and girl from the Infant Section to fill up the 3rd Class.
- 8th No attendance of P.T. for the morning special instruction.
- 9th Ja's CARTER (Church Street) asked leave to go home at 3.30 p.m. as he was wanted to carry Tea to the Hay-field for Farmer HALL's sons. The weather very warm; and the school-rooms very close.
- 10th A young friend who is Pupil Teacher at a large school in London, being on a visit to friends in the place during his holidays, gave a lesson to the two upper classes on the geography of England. It seemed to be very well given & beneficial and useful. The school-rooms intensely close and warm.
- 13th A new scholar added to the Infant section of the school (Ellen CARTER), her age a little below three years but from her constitution and the circumstances of her parent (a widow maintaining herself by assistance and a small shop) we thought it might be as well to admit her, for the sake of probationary training. Ja's PEARCE and F. DURY not (not) at school this morning.

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- Jul 14th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school in the morning at 11.40. Margaret(t) GAUNTLETT not at school from sickness. James PEARCE and Fred'k DURY absent in the afternoon. Sarah JAMES not present all day, Ann CHIVERS absent in the afternoon.
- 15th School visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 2.35 in the afternoon. He inspected the Dictation of the first class, and afterwards the Arithmetic of the 1st and 2nd and the Transcribing of the 3rd Class, but the air of the room was so close and warm, even with every window and door open, that he was obliged to withdraw.
- 16th P.T. not present at morning special instruction; he assigned as a reason that he had such pains in the bowels that he could not come.
- 17th School as usual. Nothing special to report.
- 20th The school Committee (Capt'n SCOBELL, R.N., J. REES MOGG Esq're and Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR) visited the school at 10 a.m.; after a little inspection of the different classes etc. they had their usual Quarterly Meeting in the committee room upon the affairs of the school. Attendance more numerous than for some time past. Eliz'th MAGGS very late in the afternoon (2.50), sent home again in accordance with our usual custom.
- 21st P.T. did not come this morning for special instruction; he came to school at the usual time and gave as an excuse that at the time for special instruction his leg pained him so much that he could not walk. I therefore carried on his instruction after the afternoon school from 4.20 to 5.40 to make up for loss of time in the morning. The day somewhat rainy throughout.
- 22nd School as usual. Nothing special to remark.
- 23rd No attendance of P.T. at Morning Special Instruction; he said that he fell down stairs and hurt his leg. A treat given to the children in the afternoon on the vicarage lawn, Tea & Cake with amusements etc. etc. Music by the Juvenile Brass Band from the Shepton Mallett Union. The Committee and other leading inhabitants present, everything passing off with pleasure and satisfaction.
- 24th School as usual. Nothing very remarkable to day.
- 27th Lydia and Enos VENTIN re-admitted to the School, after an absence of some little time, also Susan COLLINS. The numbers in attendance greater than for some time past. Had P.T. earlier in the morning and for a longer time after the afternoon school, to make up for loss of time last week.
- 28th A new or rather returned scholar in the Juvenile section (Sarah TAYLOR, who was admitted and attended for a week in April last). The weather very warm, and the school-room very close. Remained longer after afternoon school to-night, also with P.T., in order to make amends for past deficiencies.
- 29th Nothing special to remark. Remained longer with P.T. after afternoon school, as before.
- 30th No attendance of the P.T. for the usual morning special instruction. He said he was not well at that time, but did not say what his illness was; Fearing he might be too indulgent with himself in these matters, I told him I could not bind myself to make up the time after school-hours, as I had to note these things in this book, so I must request him to come $\frac{1}{2}$ hour earlier next morning.
- 31st Had P.T. at 6 a.m. to make up for loss of time on yesterday morning. School very much as usual. Aug 3rd A former scholar returned to the school, placed now in the Juvenile Section (W'm HARRISON). Went to Tisbury at 11 a.m. as I had been requested to play the Organ at the Service on the Anniversary of the Village Friendly Society at the Parish Church. My place in the School until 4 p.m. was supplied by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. Fanny MAGGS, Martha & Eliza RAPPS and W'm EVANS, absent from Sickness.
- 4th The weather rainy from 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ a.m., to the close of the day. The school very much as usual, but nothing special to report.
- 5th Evan JONES gone to Work at Grayfield Colliery. W'm PEARCE, Ja's PEARCE, Edwin MAGGS, and Arthur PRIDDY absent from the morning school; - David HUTTON, Joyce CARTER, Mary CARTER and Ellen GREEN absent in the afternoon.
- 6th Nothing very remarkable to day.
- 7th Gave a lesson in Vocal Music in place of the usual Dictation Lesson at this time (2 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ p.m.). It seemed to be very well received and appreciated, and the arithmetic lesson following seemed to proceed with more vigour and success than usual. Many of the children absent to day, especially in the Afternoon; this is generally the case on a Friday.
- 10th The Harvest work usual at this time now commenced. Some few of the children most probably required to assist in carrying things to the field, or doing certain things at home while their parents are necessarily absent. School rooms very close and warm, even with every window and door open. Abridged the two first lessons in the afternoon, that the Girls might have a little longer time for needlework. Owen EVANS not at school on account of sickness.

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- Aug 11th Heard that Lawrence PRIDDY was ill, and Arthur [PRIDDY] gone to Wales with his grandmother. Edwin MAGGS also not well, others absent from causes mentioned yesterday.
- 12th Many children absent as on yesterday. The school very much as usual. Progress etc. satisfactory.
- 13th Susan COLLINS applied for at 2¹/₄ p.m. by her mother, being wanted to go immediately to Cholwell on very important business. Under the circumstances, I thought it advisable to let her go, and to erase the mark given her for punctual attendance.
- 14th The school rather thinly attended both in the morning and afternoon. The progress of those present seemingly fair and satisfactory.
- 31st Commenced school after two weeks vacation. Sarah MAGGS at home on account of the illness of her mother. W'm EVANS at home with a bad foot. S.A. WIL[L]COX at her aunt's in Bath. Joyce CARTER at her sister's at Shepton Mallett. Martha NORRIS minding the baby for her mother. Kate WEEKS, on trial, for an apprenticeship to the dressmaking.
- Sep 1st A new scholar admitted to the Juvenile Section, (John STICKLAND, Tunley), placed in 3rd Class from deficient attainments, though rather beyond that class in regard to age. Dorcas CHIVERS obliged to be kept in after the morning school from want of attention in writing and arithmetic. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR and Mrs TAYLOR came in at 4 p.m., & remained a short time.
- 2nd Nothing very interesting to day.
- 3rd Weather unfavourable (very hard rain) in early morning, so I scarcely expected P.T. at that time; when he came to school, he told me, that the night before, just before retiring for rest, he fell down with giddiness and lay on the floor some little time, so it seems that he was not well. Holiday given in the afternoon on account of the Thanksgiving-service and Horticultural-show at Paulton.
- 4th The weather showery & rainy the whole day, and the attendance somewhat less than on previous days.
- 7th The school visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 11.50 a.m., remaining till close. The first class seemed to have improved in their Arithmetic. The attendance very fair, although the weather is still rainy. Inkerman CARTER and C. & J. DOMAN not as yet returned to School since the holidays, very probably required & employed at home.
- 8th Nothing very remarkable, which would seem desirable or necessary to be recorded.
- 9th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school at 3.45 p.m., and instructed the two upper classes (Boys, united) in reading, this being their usual lesson at this time.
- 10th Sarah WIL[L]COX asked leave for her brother Albert to go home at 11 a.m. as her grandfather was ill, and wanted him to go with him to the Doctor's. As there seemed some necessity in the case I let him go. The Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school at 11 a.m. and remained some little time, watching & noticing the arithmetic of the two upper classes.
- 11th Nothing very remarkable to day, except that the weather seems to be cleared up, and the rain and moisture gone away for the present. Anna Maria EVANS not at school this week, her mother having had an accident with a saucepan of boiling water, and scalded her foot very severely.
- 14th The weather having cleared up and seeming to be settled and favourable; potatoe-digging has been commenced, and very many of the children are absent for the purpose of picking up the potatoes, and helping to carry them home and store them up for winter use. The attendance very much reduced, but progress etc. fair.
- 15th The school very thinly attended, especially in the afternoon, from causes mentioned yesterday. Eliz'th and Mary CARTER not at school, from their mother having gone to Bath, and they having to mind the house and do certain other things etc.
- 16th School attendance moderate in the morning, thin in the afternoon. Nothing very remarkable which seems necessary to be recorded.
- 17th The attendance very small, especially in the afternoon, the weather fair, and people generally very busy getting out their potatoes. S. and A. STONE very late in the afternoon (2.45), sent home according to usual custom.
- 18th Henry CARTER very late in the afternoon (2.40), sent away again with persuasion to be earlier another day. The attendance a little better than on yesterday, and some previous days.
- 21st The attendance a little more numerous. The Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR came in at 11.15 a.m., staid some little time, listening chiefly to the reading-lesson of the upper class. Elizabeth & Edwin MAGGS not at school from sickness. The weather showery the greater part of the day, some few children absent on that account. Owen EVANS, Austin JAMES, and Ann CHIVERS also absent by reason of sickness.

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- Sep 22nd W'm PEARCE not at school, assisting his father in his journeys etc. to Bath. H. TAVENDER, late in the morning, and from fearfulness remained in the lobby, where he was found standing when the children went out of school, we therefore had him in, kept him a little while, and advised how to act on any future occasion.
- 23rd The mother of one of the boys came in after the morning school, and interfered about his being kept in, & having to learn lessons at his early age (8 yrs), saying that it injured his health, and made him unwilling to come (to come) to school etc. etc. I endeavoured to persuade her not to yield to him in this respect, telling her that it was the practice at every school now (public or private) to require lesson learn't at home by children of that age, and that if good seed was not sown in the mind, even at that early age, evil seeds would etc. etc.
- 24th The admonition given yesterday seems to have been successful, the lesson being learn't and reproduced very fairly etc. etc. The school very much as usual in other respects & progress etc. of the children in general fair and satisfactory.
- 25th The Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school at 11.45 a.m.; he heard a portion of the reading of the 1st and 2nd classes (united) then visited the infant section etc. In the afternoon, Joyce CARTER & Mary EVANS were obliged to be kept in for untidiness etc. in writing on paper from Dictation, also S.A. WEEKS, for slowness etc. etc. in Arithmetic.
- 28th School Fees received and entered as usual. Nothing special to be recorded in school-work to day. 29th The school visited at 2.30 p.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR, accompanied by Mrs TAYLOR and Miss FUSSELL, noticing the school generally, and especially the abstracts & copy books of the upper classes, and afterwards hearing them read with examination in the Holy Scriptures. Some few absent (who were present in the morning), chiefly for picking up potatoes, but the attendance fairly good etc.
- 30th Nothing very remarkable or interesting to day, which seems desirable or necessary to record.
- Oct 1st The weather rainy at intervals, but the school was fairly attended and the progress etc. also fair.
- 2nd The weather somewhat moist. The attendance fair under the circumstances. Sarah & Caroline MAGGS absent in the afternoon. Ann CHIVERS obliged to go home from illness in the latter part of the afternoon.
- 5th Rec'd School Fees as usual. The school fairly attended; some few children still absent, assisting parents with potatoe digging and apple gathering. One boy (Owen EVANS) confined to his home with a bad foot.
- 6th Had a tendency to head-ache during some portion of the day. The school very much as usual, some few absent as on yesterday. Progress etc. fair.
- 7th Turning of first sod for the commencement of the Bristol and North Somerset Railway, in a field at Clutton. The Teachers and children (above 8 yrs) invited to attend & take part in the ceremony. We therefore took the children as directed etc. and vacated our school for the day.
- 8th James CARTER asked leave to go to Clutton at 3 p.m., to take some clothes there for his sister who had got wet the day before, and was obliged to exchange. The weather rainy the greater part of the day & the attendance thin.
- 9th Arthur PRIDDY and James PEARCE obliged to be kept in for an hour after afternoon school for idleness during lesson (Tables). G. DIX also, but he soon finished his task and overcame the difficulty.
- 12th Received School Fees as usual. A former scholar returned to the Infant section (Henry CLEAVES). More children present than on some previous occasions, although the weather was rather showery and rainy. Abstracts of the first class better than usual & progress etc. fair.
- 13th Nothing very interesting to day, which would seem to require particular notice.
- 14th Sarah TAYLOR brought up her little sister at 2 p.m. and asked leave to stay at home for the afternoon to pick up potatoes for her father. Obligated to caution the Pupil Teacher (after school hours) concerning setting the Table lesson in too difficult and extensive a manner for the junior portion of the 2nd class.
- 15th James CARTER obliged to be kept in, after the morning school, and even somewhat severely punished before it was over, for protracted unseemly laughter.
- 16th One of the first class girls (Mary EVANS) kept in after school in the morning for indolence & dulness etc. during examination in Money Tables. Sarah TAYLOR asked leave as on Wednesday afternoon, saying that her mother wanted her. The weather rainy just before two in the afternoon. Not so many present as at the morning school. The punishment of yesterday seemed to have a good effect.

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- Oct 19th A new scholar in the Infant Section, somewhat deficient in attainments for his age, placed in almost the lowest class in consequence (W'm WEEKS, Hallatrow). One of the upper class girls obliged to be detained after morning school and otherwise punished for carelessness in writing. Other children, progress etc. fair.
- 20th Nothing special to report to day. The school very much as usual and progress etc. favourable.
- 21st A boy in the 3rd Class during the Arithmetic-lesson was interrupting his class-mates with an air-ball. The P.T. who was teaching the adjoining class, interfered and took the ball away; the boy began hollowing and bullying, as on previous occasion, so I told him to leave the room & remain outside until he could be quieter etc. As he seemed to come quietly & to be peaceably disposed, I admitted him again in the afternoon, he then behaved more quietly.
- 22nd Nothing very remarkable to day, which would seem to require special notice.
- 23rd An unpleasant discovery, during reading lesson, with one of the girls of the first class. A work bag filled with peas and apples. I took possession of it and during the dinner hour carried it to her home, & found it to be as I had suspected. Effect very good.
- 26th A former scholar returned to the school in the Infant section (Eliza JAMES - New Road). The first class not quite so full as last week. Two gone to Radstock for the day (E. & C. JONES). S.A. WEEKS employed at home with needlework for her sister. Sarah TAYLOR picking up potatoes for her father.
- 27th The infant section visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR in the afternoon, and examined etc. in their reading and spelling; in which they seem to have acquitted themselves with some degree of satisfaction.
- 28th Nothing very interesting to day, which seems in any way desirable or necessary to place on record.
- 29th A holiday given. The Pupil Teacher having to attend the examination in Bath, I thought it would be the safest course for me to go with him; so it was judged expedient to give the children a vacation for the day.
- 30th The morning special instruction discontinued for the winter season, according to our usual custom, after the Pupil Teachers' examination; and the instruction then given after the afternoon school. The weather rainy & windy during the greater part of the day, and the school attendance rather thin in point of numbers. Progress etc. fair.
- Nov 2nd The floor of the girls' room partially flooded from the very heavy rain during the previous night, so the instruction of the entire number, both Juvenile and Infant, had to be conducted in one room. Progress under the circumstances very fair and satisfactory, and more especially the abstracts, arithmetic & reading of the 1st Class.
- 3rd The girls' room was not judged to be sufficiently dry, so we conducted the school as on yesterday, in one room. The weather rainy and windy all the day, but the school very fairly attended. The reading of the 2nd Class fairly good. Martha RAPPS not at school from sickness. 4th School rather full and progress etc. fair. The upper division of the 3rd Class seem to be improving in their reading. Dictation on paper by 1st Class, very satisfactory and encouraging. 5th John CHIVERS advanced to 2nd Class. Fanny MAGGS, not at school in the afternoon from sickness; some few others also absent from various other causes.
- 6th The school visited in the afternoon by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 3.30. T. EVANS obliged to be detained for talking & disobedience. S.A. WEEKS asked leave to go home at 3.30, to accompany her sister on an urgent errand.
- 9th The School Committee visited the school at 10 a.m., and shortly afterwards held their usual quarterly meeting in the class-room. The Summary was examined and verified etc. etc. Joyce CARTER, Edw'n MAGGS and Mary PEARCE not at school from sickness. Abstracts of the upper class very fair, also their reading; the progress of school generally fair & satisfactory.
- 10th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR, accompanied by a young friend, visited the school at 3 p.m., remaining a short time. Upper division of 3rd Class reading fairly good; also 1st class reading and arithmetic.
- 11th S.A. WEEKS very ill, some little fear of her sickness being a fever, not able to be up etc. etc. Lower division of 3rd and also 2nd Class reading fair & satisfactory. 1st Class Dictation on paper seemingly improving.
- 12th Mary CARTER sent for at 2.30 p.m. being wanted to pick up potatoes, her mother did not know she was come to school. Tried portion of 1st Class with Stand'd IV arithmetic on paper; result in some cases encouraging.
- 13th Mrs TAYLOR, with her Mother, visited the school at 11.30 a.m., staying some little time in each section, listening to the reading, and noticing the writing etc. etc. Nothing very remarkable besides, which seems desirable etc. to be recorded.

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- Nov 16th Mary EVANS obliged to be detained after the morning school, and punished for idleness etc. in her arithmetic & reading. A'r PRIDDY, J'n CHIVERS after the afternoon school for fighting during a very short absence on my part in the other room. Thom. EVANS also for trying to upset his classmates from their seat. Made up with P.T. time lost (unavoidably) from the special instruction last week.
- 17th Nothing special to report to day.
- 18th Only a moderate attendance in the morning, but the progress etc. generally, fair. Reading of the 3rd Class (up. div.) only moderate. 1st Class do. [ditto] very fair, also their Dictation & Arithmetic on paper in the afternoon. A't WIL[L]COX detained after Aft'n school for idleness in the learning of tables.
- 19th The numbers in attendance rather scanty, especially in the afternoon; various causes operating to this end. Progress etc. rather slow.
- 20th A boy in the 3rd Class being detained for idleness etc. during the table-lesson (in aft'n Sch.), his elder brother came up; very impudently asked where he was & demanded that he should come home etc. etc. I asked him to leave the matter to me, but he still persisted etc. so I sent to ask Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR to come over, which he very kindly did; the rude messenger, however, went off as soon as I sent; the principle was maintained and the matter satisfactorily settled. The progress etc. of the school in other respects was fair & satisfactory.
- 23rd The attendance a little more numerous than last week. Abstracts by 1st Class very fair, also their arithmetic and reading. 3rd Class (lower division) reading moderately good. Joyce CARTER recovered from her illness and again at school.
- 24th On my way home from school in the morning I noticed F. WILKINS with her face tied up, this seems to account for her absence. W. EVANS also not well & absent from that cause. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited school at 11 a.m., remained a short time and noticed the arithmetic.
- 25th Austin JAMES & Owen EVANS absent from illness. 3rd Class (up. div.) and 2nd Class reading very fair, also the Dictation on paper by the first class.
- 26th Nothing very remarkable to day. 3rd Class (Low'r Div'n) and also 1st Class reading & progress etc. of school in general very fair and satisfactory.
- 27th The reading of the 3rd Class (Low'r Div'n) and also that of 2nd class, very fair; also the Dictation on paper by the upper children; Arithmetic on paper rather moderate. Progress etc. of school generally satisfactory etc. etc.
- 30th The Pupil Teacher's Scripture History very moderate; portion of special instruction given him after the morning school; as there was to be a Meeting in the evening for the Church Pastoral Aid Society, & one of the rooms had to be prepared, so we vacated the school in the afternoon for the purpose. 1st Class abstracts very fair & progress etc. satisfactory.
- Dec 1st The first class somewhat improved in arithmetic. Pupil Teacher still moderate with Scripture History; cautioned him very seriously concerning it; with what effect remains to be seen. Made up with him after Afternoon School, time lost yesterday.
- 2nd Joyce & James CARTER & Martha EVANS detained after Morning school for idleness in home lessons. 3rd Class (Low'r Div.) reading fair, also for 1st Class do., and their Dictation on paper good; Arithmetic fair.
- 3rd Weather rainy and very windy. Progress etc. fair, especially 3rd Class (Up. Div.) reading. T. EVANS had to be detained after Afternoon school for fighting while out with other little boys in the back yard.
- 4th Rev'd G. R. TAYLOR & Mrs TAYLOR visited the school at 11.15 a.m. The school very much as usual; nothing very remarkable which seems desirable or necessary to be reported to day.
- 7th Arranged the juvenile section in classes for the arithmetic in the afternoon, according to the four first standards. Standard I required two divisions on account of the number. The plan seemed to succeed very fairly. Attendance rather numerous to day and progress etc. generally satisfactory.
- 8th The Dictation and Arithmetic worked in afternoon school as on yesterday and with results seemingly as satisfactory and encouraging.
- 9th Joyce CARTER sent for at 10.40. to come home, her services being very imperatively required to attend to her little nephew and her aged grandmother at home. K.H. WEEKS, Joyce CARTER & S.A. WEEKS detained after afternoon school for communication during Arithmetic. Mary EVANS absent all the day, her mother having to go to Bath; - Some few others of the elder children not present in the afternoon from circumstances at home.
- 10th Sarah JAMES absent to day & yesterday from illness. J. PEARCE not present in afternoon. School progress etc. generally fair and satisfactory. Scarcely any children besides absent to day.
- 11th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited school at 10.40 a.m., noticed the abstracts by 1st Class and remained a short time. 3rd and 1st Class reading very fair, also the Dictation on paper by Stand'd IV; Arithmetic do. rather moderate.

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- Dec 14th Frances JAMES, Joyce RAPPS and Eliza EVANS absent from sickness. Sarah JAMES recovered and again at school. M.A. WEEKS and A.M. EVANS not present to day, also Ellen and Louisa NORRIS, chiefly from some unavoidable circumstances at home. School progress etc. generally fair and favourable.
- 15th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school at 10.40 a.m., noticing abstracts of upper class and remaining a short time. Arithmetic and abstracts very good to day, also 3rd Class (Low'r div'n) and 2nd Class reading fair and Stand'd III dictation fairly good.
- 16th Dictation on paper by the upper children good, but their Arithmetic not quite so successful. 4th Class reading very fair, also do. by 1st Class. Progress of School generally satisfactory & encouraging.
- 17th John CHIVERS and James PEARCE obliged to be detained after Afternoon School, for frequent communication during Arithmetic lesson, the former seeming to be the most active etc. etc. Progress of others fair etc. etc.
- 18th Fred'k DURY had to be kept in after the Afternoon School for inattention and resistance to Teacher during lessons. Ellen NORRIS, Ann CHIVERS, Lydia VENTIN and Elizabeth MAGGS not at school this week.
- 21st The School very well attended & progress etc. fair. 1st and 3rd Class reading fairly good, also Arithmetic. P.T. rather moderate in Scripture History (O.T.), said he had a head-ache, N.T. Hist'y not brought out.
- 22nd 2nd and 3rd Class reading very fair. P.T. very moderate in Geography, seemingly evidencing incomplete preparation. Cautioned him rather seriously concerning the danger of allowing studies to be insufficiently attended to.
- 23rd A vacation allowed for the day. Rewards etc. and encouragements given to children for regular attendance and good conduct etc. at the Sunday and Daily School; a Christmas-Tree shown and rewards etc. placed upon it & given from it; rooms prepared during the day for the accommodation of Children and Visitors etc. etc. The whole affair passed off very fairly, and seemed to give pleasure and satisfaction to every one connected therewith.
- 24th The school-rooms arranged etc. for the reception of the children on the coming day. A vacation as before.
- 25th Christmas Day. Service at the Parish Church as on the Lord's day; and the school assembled previously on each occasion; the proper Psalms for the day read alternately and collectively by the upper classes. The number (as usual on this day) not very great; but somewhat better than at some previous occasions.

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- Jan 4th Commenced our usual School work after a week's vacation. A hard frost set in, and the [Monday] temperature very cold. The attendance rather moderate, especially amongst the younger portion of the school. Abstracts of the upper class very fair; also reading of do., and 3rd Class: Arithmetic moderate in one or two cases.
- 5th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the school at 11.25 a.m.; instructed Standards I and IV in their reading. P.T. and myself taking other portions of the school. The weather still very cold, and the attendance moderate, but progress etc. of those present satisfactory & encouraging.
- 6th Arranged and examined the school according to the standards, as nearly as possible from the plans laid down in the Instructions to H.M. Inspectors. The results seemed in many respects to be favourable.
- 7th Carried on the School work as on yesterday, with results seemingly as satisfactory and encouraging. Reading of 2nd Standard very fair & also their transcribing.
- 8th A very pleasing and marked improvement in the reading of the 2nd and 4th standard children; it seemed to show a desire of co-operation in efforts made for their good; progress in other subjects and in other departments also visible.
- 11th The attendance a little more numerous, and classes better filled, perhaps in consequence of the weather being warmer. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited school at 3.30 p.m. and remained a short time. Progress etc. generally fair in each of the standards.

Jan 12th 1864 Chief Teacher Frederick NEEDES, Certif. 3 Chap. 3 Dv., Pupil Teacher Edward COLES end of 4th year. Mrs [Anna Maria] NEEDES undertakes the children under 6 years of age & teaches the needlework. E. Douglas TINLING, H.M.I.

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- Jan 12th Inspection as above. The school seemed, as a whole to pass etc. very fairly. Stand'd II Dull in Tables, Good in Arithmetic. Stand'd I weak in Reading, moderate in Arithmetic. Stand. III generally fair with two exceptions. Stand'd IV fairly good in Dictation & Reading, but seemed to be baffled with the Compound Multiplication sum, which was much longer than they had been accustomed to, and seemed an insuperable difficulty to many of them, when they endeavoured to prove it, as they were required to do.
- 13th Children re-arranged for future progress so as to be instructed according to the standards in which they would very probably have to be presented at the next inspection, progress etc. in general fair and satisfactory.
- 14th Occupied a little extra time in Morn'g School with the arithmetic and thereby necessitated to omit the Writing and Reading. It did not however seem to have any prejudicial effect. Took up the above subjects in the Afternoon in place of Transcript & Arithmetic.
- 15th John CHIVERS and James PEARCE detained after morning school for idleness and inattention during Religious instruction (Catechism), also deficiency in the abstract which followed it; also John TAYLOR for inattention at lessons, Sarah STONE a little too chatty in course of Lessons.
- 18th One of the elder girls obliged to be sent home for gross disobedience. A boy in 3rd detained after Morning School for idleness in arithmetic and tables; also two boys & two girls of 2nd after Afternoon school for idleness with Tables; also a first class boy idle in Arithmetic. Two new scholars in the 2nd class, advanced in years, but rather dull in attainments.
- 19th C. JONES again idle in Arithmetic and even obliged to be punished, also one of the elder girls detained a long time after Afternoon school for slowness with her sum.
- 20th J. REES MOGG Esq're with his newly married lady & Miss MOGG, visited the school at 3.30p.m., remaining some little time, and noticing the operations in each department, inspecting the paper work of the upper class, the transcribing of the boys and the needlework of the girls etc. etc.
- 21st Discipline interrupted by an unruly boy in 3rd Class, who was obliged to be punished for striking at P.T. with an open knife, which he was endeavouring to take away for unlawful use during lessons; continuing to be very saucy & noisy etc., I thought it my duty to tie his hands behind him; to detain him after school (Morn'g) for some little time and then dismiss him with a suspension; he tried to force himself into school in the afternoon, but I thought it best not to admit him. Progress etc. of other children generally very fair on each occasion.
- 22nd The sisters of the offender alluded to yesterday having called at our house last night & stated that their father would punish him for the offence, as the boy had taken the knife out of his pocket etc. etc., he was again admitted but had to be warned very seriously for inattention.
- 25th James PEARCE detained for absence without leave on the Thursday afternoon; also Arthur PRIDDY for rude drawing on another boy's slate. Abstracts of upper class very fair, also their arithmetic & reading; do. also of 3rd Class.
- 26th Arthur PRIDDY again obliged to be detained after Morn'g School; this time for inattention during writing lesson; Martha and Eliza RAPPS for lateness in Afternoon, a very frequent fault with each of them. The Dictation on paper by the upper class fairly good, also 1st and 3rd reading.
- 27th The abstracts and arithmetic of upper classes generally very fair; also the reading in 3rd class (Up. Div.) that of the 2nd class (Stand'd III) fairly good except new comers. Three in 2nd detained after Morn'g Sch. for inattention during Religious Instruction and dullness in abstract.
- 28th Nothing very remarkable. Progress etc. fair.
- 29th John CHIVERS very idle at Religious Instruction and dull and meagre at abstract following: detained after the morning school in consequence. Progress etc. of other children and classes very fair and satisfactory. The reading of 3rd Class (Low'r Div'n) moderately good; 2nd also.
- Feb 1st Upper class abstracts fairly good; also 3rd (Up. Div'n) reading. Ist Class Arithmetic and Reading good throughout the day.
- 2nd Ann FORD, John CHIVERS & Jane NORRIS obliged to be detained after afternoon school for dullness etc. in learning Catechism; Henry TAVENDER for idleness with Tables. 3rd Class (Low'r) reading very fair; Arithmetic & Reading generally fair.
- 3rd Nothing special to report to day. Progress etc. favourable.
- 4th School very much as usual. 3rd Class reading very fair. Improvement generally in each class and subject.
- 5th George DIX, being detained after Aft'n Sch. for wilful inattention during arithmetic, obtained permission to leave the room, but did not return. - Mem. - To be detained at a future time. The reading of 3rd and 2nd Classes very fair; also abstracts and arithmetic of upper class with Dictation on paper very fair.

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High Littleton N.S. Summary of the Inspector's Report upon the School. Rec'd Feb. 6th 1864.

"The religious knowledge may be increased with care. Though the school is improved, yet the spelling and arithmetic in the upper class is only moderate. The work on paper of the Pupil teacher is not so good as it ought to be". Signed, on behalf of the Managers, Geo. R. TAYLOR, Secretary.

- Feb 8th George DIX detained after Morning School, for running away as recorded on Friday last. The P.T. moderate in Scripture History, obliged to caution him very seriously respecting his studies. Abstracts of upper class very fair, also their Rdg. and Arithmetic. 3rd class reading (up. div.) fairly good.
- 9th The Pupil Teacher rather better in his studies. Many of the little children absent from sickness etc. The weather very cold, but fine. 3rd class (low'r div.) reading fair.
- 10th This day being Ash Wednesday, there was Divine Service in the Church at 11 a.m. The abstract of the Collect was written on paper by the 1st class very fairly; by 2nd class on slates, moderately; 3rd class continuous writing on slates very fairly done. The proper psalms were then read, and we proceeded to the Church for the usual service.
- 11th The weather still very cold, but fair. The abstracts of the 1st class in New Testament History very fair; the reading of the 3rd and 2nd classes moderately good, also the arithmetic of the upper class generally very fair.
- 12th The day very rainy throughout, many of the younger children absent; nothing very remarkable occurred which would seem to require special notice to day.
- 14th Dorcas CHIVERS very dull and seemingly stubborn with her arithmetic (Aft'n), det'd & warned, and after some little time overcame her difficulty. Sarah TAYLOR also dull in Tables, but generally quiet and agreeable, her previous opportunities of learning have been very scanty.
- 15th P.T. 20 m.l. [*minutes late*] at Afternoon School. Afterwards, while bending over a little boy in the lower class (writing), I found he had his geographical text-book in his hand, seemingly studying. I therefore cautioned him very seriously when I found him very meagre in that particular study, I hope with good effect. 3rd class fair in Reading, 1st rather slow in Arithmetic, some few detained after the Afternoon school on that account.
- 16th The P.T. fair in English History, but moderate in the geography so meagrely re-produced yesterday. Sarah TAYLOR, Eliza BROOKS, and Ja's PEARCE very dull etc. at Tables; detained for improvement, after the Afternoon School.
- 17th George DIX and John CHIVERS detained for 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. after Afternoon school for threatening the Teacher, also idleness at lessons (A), also two of the elder girls for dullness & seeming idleness in Arithmetic. Progress etc. of others very fair.
- 18th Nothing very remarkable either in the progress or instruction of the several classes which seems to call for special notice.
- 22nd Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the School at 11.45 a.m., remained a short time. A boy in the second class very inattentive and stubborn, evidently trying to get his own way over every one, also saucy etc. I thought it best to suspend him, and gave notice to his mother accordingly. She at first said it did not matter, one school was as good as another etc. etc., but afterwards raised a great storm, and accused P.T. of beating him, and some other fault, both of which were proved before Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR to be untrue.
- 23rd Re-admitted the above boy upon condition, but was obliged to admonish him very seriously on two several occasions in the afternoon. Progress etc. of others very satisfactory.
- 24th Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st Class, fair; 3rd Class (Low'r Div'n) Reading fairly good and also the Reading of 2nd Class.
- 25th Snow on the ground, about ankle-deep, some of the younger children absent; my wife very unwell, and not able to attend at the Morning School.
- 26th My wife still very unwell (having been indisposed very much last evening) and the weather being very cold, I thought it best for her to remain at home to day. Received notice from Council Office concerning change of the time of Inspection, and permission to present in the same standards from shortness of time, so we lowered those who seemed unable to advance to the next degree.
- 29th Joyce CARTER & Mary EVANS have seemingly no desire to go forward in Arithmetic. The P.T. moderate in Scripture History (O.T.), being re-produced so slowly as to give the impression that it had not [*been*] sufficient studied. Progress etc. of school in each department and subject generally, fair and satisfactory.
- Mar 1st Dorcas CHIVERS, Frances WILKINS & Caroline MAGGS seem to require the 3rd Stand'd Wk. repeated. The P.T. again very moderate in Script're History, so I thought it necessary to caution him very seriously as to the evils which neglect in study would bring upon him.

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- Mar 2nd Abstracts by upper class, after Religious Instruction very fair; also their arithmetic and reading. 3rd Class reading fairly good. The P.T.'s special instruction was obliged to be adjourned, being myself invited in the afternoon to attend at the funeral of a departed friend.
- 3rd Reading by St'd I very fair. At P.T.'s special Instruction, after Aft'n School, English History fair in substance, but moderate in respect of Penmanship and Spelling. His Euclid not forthcoming. Made up with him some portion of Special Instruction deficient yesterday afternoon.
- 4th Abstracts, Reading and Dictation on paper by 4th Standard fair, but their Arithmetic only moderate. John CHIVERS, Owen EVANS, Albert WIL[L]COX, & Augusta STONE dull & idle at Tables. Lessons of the P.T. at special instruction: Euclid very fair, Grammar fair in quantity, but only moderate in quality.
- 7th George DIX and Charles JONES very dull & seemingly idle in Arithmetic. The P.T. moderate in both Old and New Testament History. Abstracts by 1st class very fair. Reading of 3rd class (low'r division) fairly good. Do. & Arithmetic of 2nd class fair and seemingly satisfactory.
- 8th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the School at 11.50 a.m., and remained until the close. Reading of 3rd class (Up. Div.) fairly good: Do. by 1st and 2nd rather moderate but their abstracts afterwards very fair. F. DURY detained after morning School for absence without leave on previous afternoon; and W. HARRISON also holding up his fists to his teacher; a few others also in the afternoon for other faults.
- 9th Standard IV very fair at Dictation on paper, Moderate in Arithmetic. Religious Knowledge & Abstracts fairly good. Reading of 3rd class (low'r div'n) fair and seemingly satisfactory.
- 10th Abstracts by 1st class moderately good, also their Arithmetic. Reading of 3rd class (up'r div'n) very fair. School visited at 3 p.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. Ja's PEARCE detained for copying; some few others for inattention and talking etc. etc.
- 11th Dorcas CHIVERS detained for imperfect abstract; J. TAYLOR and H'y CLEAVES for running along the top of the east wall of the play-ground just before M'g Sch.; caught in the act by P.T.
- 14th John TAYLOR detained after M'g Sch. for playing the truant on Friday afternoon. Abstracts and Reading of 1st Class very fair. Reading of 3rd class (up. Div'n) fair. Pursued the special Instruction with P.T. after the Aft'n Sch. beyond the usual time, so as to make up for loss of time the week before last.
- 15th The Reading, Abstract and Arithmetic of the two upper classes moderately good. 3rd class (Low'r Div.) Reading, fairly so. 2nd class Arithmetic and Dictation very fair. P.T. very moderate in his Geography, but fair in Arithmetic.
- 16th Abstracts by 1st & 2nd classes very fair, also the Dictation and arithmetic of the first. 3rd class (Up. Div'n) Reading, fair. The school visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 11.40 a.m. English History by P.T. very fair, both in substance and orthography.
- 17th Upper class abstracts on New Testament lesson very fair. The reading of 3rd class (low'r div'n) also very fair. Arithmetic by Standards III and IV fairly good. The weather very fine and pleasant to-day, and the attendance a little less, especially in the afternoon, showing the commencement of the field-garden work amongst the parents of the children.
- 18th Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic of Upper class very fair. 3rd class (Low'r Div'n) reading, fair. Thomas EVANS, John TAYLOR, and Henry CLEAVES detained after Aft'n Sch. for idleness during lesson (Tables). Notes of Lesson by P.T. fairly good.
- 21st Jane NORRIS and Eliza BROOKS very dull in Tables and Arithmetic, and seemingly inattentive; their opportunities of gaining instruction have hitherto, been very limited, and they do not yet seem to be sufficiently awake to the importance of attending any of their studies. Abstracts by the upper classes fairly good, other classes and subjects also seemingly satisfactory and progress made.
- 22nd Geography by Pupil Teacher (at his special instruction) imperfect, Map Drawing and Arithmetic, fair. Nothing very remarkable on other points to be recorded to day.
- 23rd Ellen GREEN sent for by Mrs COLLINS at 2.50 p.m. that she might go to see Mr PIKE on very urgent business. The Pupil Teacher moderate in English History, having mistakes in dates, spelling and numbers etc. etc.
- 24th John TAYLOR detained for grinning etc. at Morn'g Prayer; also Arthur PRIDDY, showing off his temper to P.T. and refusing to finish his sum. Progress etc. with other subjects and classes generally, fair and satisfactory.
- 25th Good Friday. Religious Instruction and Service at the Parish Church as on Sundays. The Attendance very small, many of the children as usual being employed in digging up ground, or putting down potatoes, the weather being favourable etc. etc.

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- Apr 4th Commenced morning special instruction with P.T. at our cottage (6.30 to 7.30.A.M.). The school-work resumed after a week's vacation: attendance in the upper classes rather thin, chiefly owing to the potatoe-planting, the weather being very favourable. Two new scholars in Inf't Section. Progress etc. in each class and subject very favourable and satisfactory. Special instruction given also to P.T. at the School, after the Afternoon meeting as usual from 4.30 to 5 p.m.
- 5th P.T. not present at Mo. Sp. Inst'n; rather wet at that time, (6.30 A.M.) at 6.55. he came. I cautioned him a little as to letting time slip away etc., as I feared it might become a habit with him. When he went up to the school, a few minutes before the time of opening, he found some of the elder girls jumping on the stools, he cautioned them, and some of them discontinued it, but one of them began it again, and three others immediately followed her example. P.T. put down each of their names and handed them to me when I came about five minutes after. I talked to them about it & told them they must remain when school was over; then this elder one began answering very angrily, and trying to make it appear that there were several others, but these, it seemed had not done it after P.T.'s caution. She still persisted in it and became saucy etc., and as I had myself very frequently caught and cautioned her for the same offence, and also for frequently trying to get her own way over me & other bad behaviour in the school, I told her she might take her hat & go home. She did not come in the afternoon, but the suspension seemed to act very beneficially upon the whole of the school.
- 6th Nothing very remarkable to day, which it seems desirable or necessary to place on record.
- 7th Progress in each class and subject very fair, and seemingly satisfactory.
- 8th In carefully reviewing the circumstances of the day, it does not seem easy or possible to fix upon special circumstances, suitable, upon which to report.
- 11th Gardening operations commenced upon a general scale (the weather being very fine and clear) producing a very sensible diminution of the attendance. The classes were thus obliged to be re-arranged for the present, but on the whole the progress etc. was very fair.
- 12th The attendance very much as on yesterday, from the same cause. Abstracts and Reading of Standards IV, III and II very fair. Arithmetic, moderately so. Reading & Arithmetic of Stand'd I fairly good etc. etc.
- 13th Reading of 1st Stand'd fair. Standard IV good in Arithmetic, with one exception: fairly good at Dictation on paper, the 3rd Standard also fair in Arithmetic and Dictation.
- 14th Fair and pleasant weather as on previous days. The attendance very scanty, but the progress etc. fairly good.
- 15th Nothing very remarkable to be reported to day.
- 18th The P.T. not present at the Morning Special Instruction (6.30 a.m.). He gave me no reason for his absence, and seemed to take the matter very easily, so I thought it my duty to warn him very seriously, having previously caused the time to be made up after the afternoon meeting of the school. Attendance a little more numerous to-day.
- 19th School visited at 10 A.M. by the Committee, and a meeting held afterwards in the usual way & place. The P.T. very punctual at the Morning Special Instruction, and his Geography was fair. George EVANS required from School very early in the Afternoon to put down the potatoes in his Uncle's garden.
- 20th Vacation allowed in the Afternoon, in order to prepare the Room for a Meeting on behalf of the Irish Church Missions. The progress etc. fairly good in each class.
- 21st Henry CARTER sent for at 11.20 a.m. by his father for the putting down of potatoes etc. His attendance mark erased as in similar case on Tuesday, being less than the time stipulated. Progress etc. in general fair and satisfactory.
- 22nd Henry TAVENDER very idle at Transcribing, also Lawrence PRIDDY. Sandford CURTIS trying to write with his left hand, and very sturdy with P.T. because he would not allow him to do so. Progress etc. of others very fair.
- 25th Joyce CARTER has evidently or seemingly no desire to go forward in any study: very moderate and dull etc. etc. in Arithmetic and Tables, seemingly idle; detained each time for improvement. Abstracts and Reading of the upper classes very fair; also 3rd Class. Sarah STONE and Elizabeth JONES gone to reside with friends at Midsomer Norton.
- 26th Nothing very remarkable to report today.
- 27th A fourth class boy having tried to push another off the steps of the door, I made him come and placed him in the corner, and told him to place his hands upon his shoulders; he sauced, threatened, and refused to do it etc., so I thought it best (after consideration) to send him home. 3rd Class Rdg, very fair. 1st Class Dictation on paper fairly good. Arithmetic, moderately so.

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- Apr 28th The boy referred to yesterday (Aft'n) was in the School Yard this morning when I came. Upon careful consideration, I thought it would be prudent to send him home again for this morning at least. He was there again in the afternoon, but very dirty: so I told him to go home and clean himself. He did not however return. Progress of others very fair and satisfactory.
- 29th Re-admitted the refractory scholar; found him rather idle in the afternoon, and detained him after the others had left, as a means for his improvement.
- May 2nd Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic by 1st Class, very fair. 3rd class (St. I) fair at Reading. John TAYLOR obliged to be detained for wanton idleness at his writing, also Thom. EVANS, George DIX and Albert WILCOX; talking. Cha's JONES rather slow at his Arithmetic.
- 3rd Sandford CURTIS, though but a little boy, very unruly and fond of resistance etc. etc. George EVANS & Henry CARTER detected in Copying; detained after Afternoon School. A few of the first class also for dulness in arithmetic detained for improvement.
- 4th The school inspected at 2.30. p.m. by Rev'd H. TRIPP, the District or Diocesan Inspector. From his letter to our Vicar, we had expected him yesterday, but he explained that he had written Tuesday in mistake for Wednesday. The children acquitted themselves very fairly, and he seemed very well pleased and satisfied with their attainments. Dictation on Paper not tested, but previous papers in that and Arithmetic, with Copy Books and other writing examined etc. etc.
- 5th A vacation allowed for the day, as in some other schools found beneficial for the encouragement of the children, & relaxation to them and their Teachers etc. etc.
- 6th John CHIVERS very idle in every lesson, evidently or seemingly, he has no desire to learn, always watching for chances to evade instruction or to do something wrong: detained both morning and afternoon, but with very little sign of improvement. P.T. dull and forgetful at Arithmetic; made up with him time lost on previous occasions.
- 9th Anna Maria EVANS caught with leaf of Prayer Book in her hand, while writing the Collect from Memory. The P.T. very moderate in Scripture History. Mary NORRIS having been told to bring a proper halfpenny in exchange for an old one (as part of her School Fee) spent the old one (which in reality was the property of another person) at a little shop for lozenges during the dinner hour.
- 10th Martha DIX came into the lobby to fetch her boy George, who was detained for idleness and inattention; she went on very noisily, saying that his father wanted his dinner as well as me etc. etc. The P.T. afterwards told me that he had not finished one sum (Addition of simple numbers) during the Arithmetic lesson ($\frac{1}{2}$ hr). Cautioned Mary NORRIS seriously about the fault of yesterday, representing the consequences. This afternoon she brought another halfpenny, as desired.
- 11th Dictation on paper by 1st Class, moderately good. Reading by 3rd and afterwards 2nd class, very fair. Abstracts by 1st Class, fair. English History by P.T. fair in quantity and substance, but moderate as regards penmanship.
- 12th Scripture Reading and Abstract by 1st and 2nd classes fairly good, also their Arithmetic. The Reading of the 4th and 2nd classes (in secular books) very fair. A heavy storm seemed to be coming upon us shortly after four in the afternoon, so I thought it best to send home the children with as little delay as possible, and to excuse the afternoon special instruction of the Teachers.
- 13th Abstracts by Upper classes after Religious Instruction, fair; arithmetic, moderate; Reading very fair. 3rd class reading, fair. The attendance rather thin in the morning, a little more numerous in the Afternoon. The school dismissed at 4 p.m., for the usual Whitsuntide Vacation.
- 23rd Commenced our usual school-work after a week's recess. Four new scholars in the Infant department. Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic of Standards IV and III (1st class) fair. 2nd and 3rd classes (St. II and I) very fair in Arithmetic and Reading.
- 24th Nothing very remarkable to record to day.
- 25th We had a visit from friends in the neighbourhood of like occupation (having holidays at their own school) who gave us very valuable assistance in the examination of almost every class, in each subject of instruction, which in its turn, came under our notice both in the morning & afternoon.
- 26th John TAYLOR detained after Morning School for inattention and offering bribes to his teacher. He came very dirty in the Afternoon, so, I asked him if he had washed himself since dinner? He answered in the negative. I therefore told him to go home and do so. He went, but did not return. Henry CARTER also, the same fault and correction, with a similar result. Martha EVANS inattentive both in Morning & Afternoon. Progress etc. of other children in each class and subject very fair.

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- May 27th Detained H. CARTER after M'g Sch for playing the truant yesterday afternoon. John TAYLOR not at school the whole day. G. DIX very slyly endeavouring to shew his classmates his sum etc. When caught and checked by P.T. he became very unruly etc. etc. detained for this disobedience & failure with his own sum. 1st Class dictation on paper very fair also Arithmetic and Reading by this and 3rd class.
- 30th Detained John TAYLOR for not returning on Thursday afternoon. A boy in the 4th class threw a book instead of passing it, as directed. He was told by P.T. to go to the first desk, he did so with some little trouble & telling. In a few moments however, he sat down without leave. I then told him to stand on the stool, as he had done this frequently before. He then bellowed out that he would tell his father, and began crying and screaming very loudly. I told him to turn his face to the wall and take his slate and pencil and write; he turned, but still kept on filling the room with his cries, so, knowing his temper by past experience I told him he might go home.
- 31st The trying one of yesterday had a piece of slate pencil in his hand immediately upon entering the room, for which he would not give account either to P.T. or myself, when we asked him he would not answer us. It looked like one of our's, and having had similar cases with a former member of the same family, I told him he might go home for the morning. He did not come in the afternoon, but as he had always shown so dreadful a temper when checked or corrected, I was not sorry for his absence.
- Jun 1st John CHIVERS being detained for dul[l]ness at Tables, was sent for per Dorcas, saying that his father [*Joseph CHIVERS*] was waiting for him with the Donkey & cart etc. etc. Abstracts by 1st class, fairly good, also their Dictation on paper and Arithmetic. 3rd Class (low'r division) fair at Reading. A. WILCOX (2nd Cl.) very dull at Tables, even after detention for some time.
- 2nd John TAYLOR not present at morning meeting of school: his mother called just before 1 to enquire, as he had told her that he was at school. We therefore detained him after the afternoon meeting for some length of time. Abstracts by the upper class, fair. Reading of 1st and 2nd, also fair. 3rd class (up. div'n) Reading, fairly good.
- 3rd The upper class rather slow at arithmetic and Dictation on Paper: some few detained each time for improvement. Lower division of 3rd class, and also 2nd class fairly good at Reading. H. TAVENDER dull, and seemingly idle at Tables.
- 6th Dorcas CHIVERS brought only half the School Fee, because she had no Copy Book, we persuaded her to go home and ask her mother to let her have the other portion and a Copy Book; she went, but shortly after returned, saying, she could not get one at the shop, but did not bring the other portion of the school-fee. James PEARCE has also shortened payment for the same reason. John CHIVERS, very idle at Morning school. Collect not learn't, detained, but without effect: his 1st lesson in afternoon only half-done, placed in corner to learn, but he only cried and idled away time as usual: F. DURY, also very idle and also stubborn when told to stay, but both being detained, began after a little while to learn, and partially succeeded with their lessons. Other children, classes and subjects, generally fair and satisfactory.
- 7th Heard that Arthur and Lawrence PRIDDY with Henry CLEAVES went to the brook yesterday afternoon instead of coming to school. Detained them after morning school. Reading and abstracts by 1st and 2nd classes, fair. 3rd class (up. div.) fair at reading. Arithmetic by 1st class moderately fair.
- 8th James PEARCE omitted to bring his lesson book; detained after M. Sch. do. [*Ditto*] W. LONG both morning & afternoon for inattention & refusal to answer, also talking. Abstracts by upper classes very fairly done: in reading provincial modes of pronunciation too strongly and fondly adhered to. 3rd class (low'r div) fair in Reading. St. IV fair in Dictation on paper. Martha, Mary and Annie NORRIS detected at copying and detained for an hour.
- 9th Reading, Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st and 2nd classes fair and encouraging: also 3rd class (up. div.) Reading. A boy in the 4th very impudent, disobedient and bad-tempered; with threatening etc. (3^{1/2} p.m.) refusing correction under two forms; & having latterly had very frequent experience of his impudence idleness, inattention and stubbornness, and not [*word omitted*] it safe to contend with him, I told him to leave the room. Progress etc. of others very fair and satisfactory.
- 10th The obstinate one of yesterday detained at home as a punishment at my request, acceded too & acquiesced in by his mother, who promised to assist to her utmost in the matter. Abstracts and Reading by 1st class, fair and encouraging. Dictation and Arithmetic on paper not quite so well done: detained some for improvement. 3rd class reading, very fair.

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- Jun 13th Arthur PRIDY, very idle & stubborn, detained after both meetings of school, and at length after correction and strict watching accomplished one portion of defaulted lesson, the remainder obliged to be postponed, with serious caution to learn it at home etc. etc. Abstracts of upper classes, good with a few exceptions, also their Reading and Arithmetic. 3rd class (whole) reading, fairly good. Attendance a little less. Haymaking begun.
- 14th Henry TAVENDER very disorderly & stubborn at Morning meeting of school: detained for improvement etc. etc. Joyce CARTER sent for at 11 a.m. to help her sister with clothes and children in getting home to Radstock between the storms, as it was wet yesterday & her husband had been ill, and just come out of the hospital. Arthur PRIDY obliged to be detained both times for usual and defaulted lessons, and after a little while accomplished both. Thursday's defaulter present this morning and quietly behaved etc. etc. Other children, classes, and subjects with a few exceptions generally fair.
- 15th Heard this morning that John TAYLOR had run away from school yesterday afternoon, following a boy to Welton, who was going thither for barm: detained him after school for fifty minutes, he at first threatening etc. as usual. His mother led him up at 2 p.m. with strict injunctions to me to keep him in after school, but she let him slip away while she was talking to me, so he went off again. Dictation on paper by 1st class, and also Reading of 2nd class, improving; the 3rd class also read very fairly. 1st class Abstracts & Arithmetic, also fair.
- 16th Henry TAVENDER came into school in the afternoon at 2.37: having lately very frequently trespassed on the time, and tried to get his own way, I thought it best to send him away for the afternoon as he now often refuses to stay after time, when detained for this and other faults, and is then obliged to be forced and threatened etc. etc. In this I went back to the method so successfully adopted in the past and preceding year. H'y CARTER & G. EVANS very imperfect at Tables; detained for improvement but without much effect. Progress etc. of others very fair and satisfactory.
- 17th Wm & Ed'd HARRISON 45 m.l. in the Afternoon; said they had been fetching water for their mother (for washing) at Ann DIX's about 100 yds distance. As these are generally quiet, attentive and industrious, and do not refuse and rebel etc., I allowed them to come in, and detained them afterwards with lessons. Each class in most subjects satisfactory & encouraging.
- 20th Arthur PRIDY deficient with his lesson; detained after Morning-school, but managed to write some of it from the book; do in and after afternoon school; and after a while overcame his imperfections. H. TAVENDER & Martha EVANS also imperfect in their lessons and detained. A slight improvement in Reading of 1st class (St IV and III): abstracts & arithmetic also fair. 3rd class moderately fair in Reading and Transcribing, but dull at Arithmetic and Tables.
- 21st No attendance of P.T. at Morning Special Instruction, said he was not well; so we made up the time after the Afternoon meeting. John CHIVERS detained both times for gross deficiency with lessons, but with very little effect: he seems thoroughly idle. H. TAVENDER caught & brought in by P.T. for frightening little children at the gate and steps, jumping at them, and making them cry; detained with great noise etc., but managed to slip off and run out while I was in another part of the room. Mem. [Memorandum] To be suspended, for tomorrow, at least, by notice to parent. Progress etc. in other respects fair and satisfactory.
- 22nd John CHIVERS again defective with his lessons: detained, as usual, each time, but either was or pretended to be very sleepy when set to learn it; George DIX dirty at Aft'n Sch. sent home to wash, but did not return. Mary EVANS (St. IV) def't in Arithmetic. Upper classes, Reading, Abstracts and Arithmetic, generally, fair. 3rd class reading fairly good and encouraging.
- 23rd The delinquent of yesterday found by P.T. to have young birds in his pocket, which were said to be alive when he came into the room; also defective, as usual, with his lessons, and obliged to be detained after Morning school, but sleepy, as yesterday, and, as usual, failed to accomplish(ed) his task. A vacation allowed in the afternoon, on account of the Service & Tea Meeting of our Friendly Society taking place at Midsomer Norton.
- 24th Two boys in the 2nd having come without their lesson-books, I sent them home to search for them, as they said they had lost them; one of them in a short time returned with his book, but the other came as before, saying he could not find it; so I told him he must go and search again and either bring it, or $\frac{1}{4}$ d to make up for the loss: he did not again return. H. TAVENDER very late (37 m.) sent home with caution. No attendance by P.T. at M'g Sp. Inst'n, said he overslept himself. 1st class abstracts, arithmetic, reading & dictation, very fair: reading of 3rd class fairly good.

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- Jun 27th No attendance of P.T. at M. Sp. I. said, as on Friday that he overslept himself. I asked him if he retired to rest at the proper time on the previous evening. He said yes; I enquired what that might be? He answered. At Ten. I could not then say more, but this being the second time in two days; I thought it well to enquire if I might expect him to-morrow morning & to remind him that I could not always undertake to supply the time at night so frequently lost in the morning. School progress etc. in general fair & satisfactory. W. & E. HARRISON 38 m.l. in Aft'n sent back with caution, detention not seeming to answer the purpose, their lateness being now rather too frequent.
- 28th P.T. present 10 m. before time at M. Sp. Inst. 1st & 2nd Rdg. m.f. [*moderately fair*] Abst'ts m. Arithm. f. 3rd class m. at Rdg. H'y CARTER 33 minutes late in Aftr'n sent back with caution, as his attendance would have been less than prescribed time. W. & E. HARRISON in good time on each occasion today.
- 29th Fred'k DURY very idle with his lessons, obliged to be detained each time, but for some time behaved with sullen & almost hopeless idleness, afterwards showed a little improvement & overcame his difficulty: four others also detained for similar faults, but with very little effect (H. TAVENDER, W. LONG, H'y & M. CARTER, and M.A. WEEKS). Progress etc. of others in the various classes and subjects very fair and encouraging.
- 30th The P.T. 25 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. In the morning David CURTIS made his appearance 55 m.l. so I thought it best to send him home with a caution; he came in much better time in the afternoon. The defaulters of yesterday a little improved in their lessons to-day. Reading, Abstracts and Arithmetic by the two upper classes moderately fair. 3rd class Reading fairly good. Fair weather, haymaking prevalent, and school rather thin.
- Jul 1st Henry TAVENDER 15 m.l. at Morn'g School and without his lesson book, sent home for it, but did not return. Henry CARTER also 37 m.l. and very dirty, sent home to wash but did not return, these being generally very idle etc., I thought it might be all for the best that it so happened. Abstracts, Arithmetic & Dictation by 1st class very fair. Reading of 3rd and 2nd classes, fairly good. George EVANS detected at Copying (in Arithmetic) and rather rebellious etc. for some little time, but improved by correction. Very few girls present in the Afternoon, some having to carry dinners to their parents who were working in the hay-field, at some little distance from their homes.
- 4th Mary Ann WEEKS, Mary NORRIS & Anne NORRIS 25 m.l. in Aft'n; detained, as it was quite possible they had loitered. H. CARTER, having omitted to bring his lesson book on this and one or two previous occasions, after caution etc. being sent home for it did not return; must be attended to and detained another time. Reading & Arithmetic of 1st class, fair, but Abstracts moderate. 3rd class Reading, with one exception, generally fairly good & seemingly improving.
- 5th H. TAVENDER 43 m.l. at M. Sch. After the Scripture Lesson was over I asked him how it was, but he would not give me any answer, so I told him he must go again & be earlier in the Aft'n, which he then was. M.A. WEEKS, Mary NORRIS, W. & E. HARRISON 37 m.l. in Aft'n. After consideration I thought it best to send these home again with caution, as the detention of the two former yesterday Aft'n seemed to have had very little effect, also their attendance would have been less than the prescribed time, and therefore could not lawfully be counted. Progress etc. generally fair and satisfactory. Henry CARTER detained this morning, as proposed yesterday.
- 6th F. DURY without his lesson book this morning, sent back for it, but did not return; detained in the afternoon. John TAYLOR and Lawrence PRIDDY very idle and troublesome at Morning Sch. the former so much so that I was obliged to send him away, the latter detained, showing generally more desire for learning. 1st class, fair at Abstracts, Reading and Dictation, moderate in Arithmetic. Reading of 3rd class very fair.
- 7th A meeting of the Chew Decanal Schoolmasters' Association, with Lecture at Brislington. It was thought expedient for me to go; so the school was carried on by Mrs N. [NEEDES] and P.T. assisted by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR.
- 8th Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by 1st class fairly good. Reading of 3rd & 2nd classes fair. The day very fine and warm, and some few of the children still absorbed by the haymaking.
- 11th A boy in the 1st v. imp. [*very imperfect*] with his lesson, evidently not prepared, trying to copy; placed in the room to learn; pretended not to be able to find it out, & being rather impudent I sent him home. In the after'n I asked him again if he had learn't it; but no answer given; so I told [*him*] I thought he had better go home and learn it; this not being the first time, having to be det'd very often for the same fault, and then requiring a great deal of watching, threatening etc. etc. Progress etc. of others very fair and satisfactory.

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- Jul 12th Reading, Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st and 2nd classes very fair; also the separate Reading of 2nd & 3rd in the easy narratives and monosyllables. Henry TAVENDER very idle at Arithmetic in the Afternoon; detained; also Martha, Mary and Anne NORRIS for lateness (25 m.).
- 13th Received notice of School Inspection, and arranged the children in their proper standards with those who could study with them for examination and instruction; this occupied, however, but a short time, and the progress & instruction seemed more easy & satisfactory.
- 14th Fred'k DURY having left his lesson book at home was sent for it, but did not return. Henry CARTER very idle and stubborn both in the Morning and Afternoon, detained with great unwillingness etc. etc. Other children in each class and subject moderately fair. The day very fine and warm.
- 15th Henry TAVENDER 23 m.l. at M. Sch., and without less'n Bk. I intended to detain him, but in the Arithmetic lesson he became very inattentive, sullen and disagreeable, so after consideration, I thought it best to tell him to go home for the rest of the morning, bring his lesson book in the After'n & come in a better temper. In the Aft'n he was 14 m.l. & without his Book, so I told him he must go and fetch it: he did not then return. Abstracts, Arithmetic & Dictation on Paper by 1st class, very fair. Reading of the 3rd & 2nd classes tolerably good. School-rooms warm, even with every window and door and ventilator open. Progress etc. fair.
- 18th Abstracts, Arithmetic, Reading and Writing by 1st class very fair. 3rd class Reading (low'r div'n) fair. School rather numerously attended, three absentees returned, with others occasionally absent during the haymaking. Rooms very warm, even with every appliance of ventilation. John TAYLOR unruly etc. at M. Sch. detained unwillingly etc.
- 19th George EVANS caught by P.T. scribbling on his slate during the writing-lesson, and showing it to others to make them laugh, P.T. rubbed it off, he then refused to write, & I was obliged to leave the 3rd class Rdg. & threaten etc. to get him to do it even partially better; then when told to stay after school for making the disturbance, he refused & tried to run out of the room & for some time refused to finish the writing required etc. etc. and then only carelessly & hurriedly. I thought it best to tell him to stay at home in the afternoon, and come again the next morning if he was better tempered. The father came in the course of the afternoon & inquired why he was turned out? I told him that was not the case & what was his fault & that it was not the first time etc. He at first seemed disposed to be reasonable, but when the boy told him a tale, which seems made up to justify himself, saying that the P.T. write the word Dunc on his back, which I did not see done, etc. etc. he altered in favour of the boy and threatened to appeal to the committee. Progress etc. of others in each class and subject fair and satisfactory.
- 20th Examined children in standards at the M. Sch. with Arithmetic & Reading, results in some cases moderately good; in others not quite so satisfactory. Arthur PRIDDY very dull etc. with Arithmetic in the Afternoon. H. TAVENDER 25 m.l. at M. Sch. & without L.B. [Lesson Book] asked to go & fetch it; he did not return. Present in good time in Afternoon.
- 21st Owen EVANS (T.L. [Timsbury Lane]) having a sum to finish after Aft'n Sch. (not having accomplished one during the lesson ($\frac{1}{2}$ hr.)) asked to leave the room just before prayers, and did not come in, thus slyly avoiding the learning of this portion of his arithmetic. I had not thought him so deceitful before. John TAYLOR & Henry CARTER obliged to be detained for Talking & Inattention at Reading Lesson. Progress etc. with these exceptions generally fair & satisfactory.
- 22nd A vacation allowed for the day, on account of the Pupil Teacher's examination at Timsbury, which it seemed to be desirable etc. for me to attend.
- 25th The school visited at 11.30 A.M. by Mrs & Miss TAYLOR, the latter hearing the reading of St. I and also Arithmetic of Stand'd II, noticing Transcript by St. III and Arithmetic Papers by 4th Standard children, expressing approval of each. Owen EVANS detained after M. Sch. for the evasion on Thursday afternoon, unwillingly at first, but after a while set to work and managed the sum. John TAYLOR rather trying at beginning of Afternoon School, endeavour to raise a dispute about a pencil etc. etc.
- 26th The Infant department visited and examined by Miss TAYLOR at 11 A.M. The Juvenile Section rather numerously attended, and required very great watchfulness to keep it in order. St. I fair in Arithmetic & Reading. St. IV very fair at Reading; moderately so in Dictation and Arithmetic.
- 27th Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR & Mrs TAYLOR visited and examined the infant section in the morning, expressed approval, as they seemed to get on very fairly. W'm LONG very idle and inattentive both morning and afternoon, in the latter eating apples at one time, and afterwards laughing etc. and putting the class out of order. Thought it best to send him out of the room. The school much quieter afterwards. The arithmetic & dictation by Stand'd IV a little improved to-day.

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Jul 28th Two of the girls in St. IV a little too expeditious and indistinct in Reading but improved by admonition & practice: writing and arithmetic fair. Standards I and III fair at Reading: also their writing and arithmetic fair and satisfactory.

July 29th 1864 Chief Teacher Fredk. NEEDES 3rd Cl. 3rd Div'n. Pupil Teacher Edw'd COLES end of 5th year. Mrs NEEDES undertakes needlework & the Infant Children. E. Douglas TINLING, H.M.I.

Inspection & Examination as above. The school in its several standards and classes seemed to pass very fairly & favourably, and some real improvement and advancement obtained. F. NEEDES, Sch. M.

Aug 1st Nothing very remarkable to day which seems desirable or necessary to be recorded. Progress etc. fair and satisfactory.

2nd The annual School Treat at the Vicarage. Children assembled at 2.15 p.m. Tea and Cake on the Lawn; Amusements and Sports before and after Tea; Singing by Choral Society etc. etc. with pleasure and satisfaction to a numerous assemblage composed of Sch. Committee, Visitors and Parishioners.

3rd A Vacation allowed, as a rest for both children & Teachers. The school-benches replaced & rooms with apparatus etc. prepared for educational operations on the ensuing day.

4th Meeting of School as usual but nothing special to day.

5th Instruction, progress etc. as on previous days. Notice given after the afternoon meeting of the usual harvest vacation, at this time extended to three weeks on account of having had but one week's holiday at Christmas last; the Dec'r inspection being then expected just after that time, not having taken place at it's then customary time owing to the numerous engagements of the Inspector.

29th Commenced educational operations after the vacation. Attendance very fair, but nothing very remarkable to be recorded to day, except H. TAVENDER v.l. [very late] in Aft'n (2.30), too late for entry & Admission.

30th Fred'k EVANS & T. CARTER 20 m.l. in Aft'n detained. St. V fair at Reading; dull at Arithmetic. St. IV Arithmetic & Reading very fair. St. II fairly good at Reading. Myself not well to-day, but the progress etc. generally fair and satisfactory.

31st James PEARCE very dirty at Aft'n Sch. had not washed hands or face since dinner, sent home to wash; did not return. St. IV and V fair at Arithmetic and Dictation. St. III, Reading, very fair. The lower division of St. II moderate at Reading, but perhaps as well as can be expected. Attention etc. favourable and encouraging.

Sep 1st Nothing very interesting to report to-day.

2nd Ja's PEARCE very dirty at M. Sch., and without L.B. sent home to fetch it and clean himself; did not return; in Sch. Yd. 10 m. before Sch. time in Aft'n without Bk., sent to fetch it & told that if he made haste he might yet be in time; stayed away as before. H. TAVENDER 45 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. too late for entry etc. etc. J. TAYLOR very inattentive; others fair.

High Littleton N.S. Summary of the Inspector's Report, Rec'd 4th Sept'r 1864. "A very fair School. The master earnest in his work and anxious. The Mistress is careful with the Needlework, and does her utmost with the younger children". COLES, History. Signed Geo. R. TAYLOR, Secretary.

Sep 5th H. CARTER. 35 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. too late for entry etc. Reading and Arithmetic by St. IV and V very fair. St. II Reading, fair. Transcribing moderately so.

6th John TAYLOR quarrelling etc. at first entrance (M. Sch) for that and long continued inattention, occasional resistances etc. to detention sent home, Sch F. returned to his sister. H. TAVENDER without L.B. at M'g Sch., sent home for it, did not return, detained after Aft'n Sch: others progress etc. fair, 2nd class Reading very fair.

7th J. CHIVERS, G. DIX; no lesson prepared (Collect, being their 1st Attendance this week) a very frequent fault with these, especially the former, parents conferred with etc. etc. H. TAVENDER & T. EVANS, 40 m.l. in the afternoon, too late for entry etc. School visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 3.10 p.m. Dictation by IV and V Stand'ds very fair.

8th T. EVANS fighting in playground just before M. Sch. full of passion etc. etc. sent home: came without washing in Aft'n very dirty in face; desired to go and clean himself; ret'd at 3 p.m. detained: three others also, (20 m.l.): others, progress etc. fair.

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- Sep 9th H. TAVENDER; very imperfect lesson; inattention & resistance to Teacher, sent home with advice to prepare his lesson by the Afternoon. 2 p.m. the lesson still unprepared, and quarrelsome etc., dismissed again with advice as before. Ja's PEARCE 40 m.l. at M. Sch. not entered etc. St. V dull in Arithmetic, fair in Writing, St. IV m. at Writing f. at Arithmetic. St. II very fair at Reading. St. I Reading fairly good.
- 12th School as usual in the morning; a vacation allowed in the afternoon, as one of the rooms had to be prepared for a meeting, (Ch. M. S.) with benches etc. from the other for that purpose.
- 13th H. CARTER 40 m.l. in Aft'n, not entered etc. The school visited at 10.20 A M. by J. REES MOGG, Esq're & Rev'd R. COOPER, and at 3.30 p.m. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR. A few absent from sickness.
- 14th Weather rainy and attendance rather thin, especially in the afternoon. Progress etc. moderately fair. A. PRIDDY without L.B. at M. Sch., sent for it, but did not return: 25 m.l. in attendance; not entered.
- 15th H. TAVENDER, having lost L.B., and repeatedly neglected to bring the money for it ($\frac{1}{4}$ d); after warnings, sent home for it, did not return. Sch. visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR in Aft'n. Joyce CARTER very dull in Arithmetic. St. III fair at Reading.
- 16th H. TAVENDER brought money for lost L.B. after being again sent for it, but too late for entry of Attendance, detained for inattention etc. etc. St. IV and V. Reading, Dictation & Arithmetic, fair. St. II Reading, m.f. L. PRIDDY 35 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. not entered etc.
- 19th H.T. [H. TAVENDER] lesson unprepared, would not promise to learn it, if allowed to do so in the room, sent home to learn it, came prepared in Aft'n, but dirty, told to go home & clean himself, not having washed since dinner, did not return, potatoe digging commenced etc. Sch. Attendance rather scanty.
- 20th St. II fair at Reading and Arithmetic. St. III Reading, fairly good, St. IV and V moderately good at Writing (Abstracts etc.) & Arithmetic. Henry CARTER 40 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. not entered etc.
- 21st H. TAVENDER not early enough for entry etc. at the morning meeting of the school (40 m.l.). Nothing very interesting besides which it seems desirable or necessary to report to day.
- 22nd Scripture Reading, Abstracts and Arithmetic by the two upper classes, fairly good. 3rd class reading & arithmetic very fair. H. TAVENDER 40 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. not entered etc.
- 23rd Writing and Arithmetic by 1st class, fair. Reading of the 2nd and 3rd classes fairly good. The infant section visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 10.30 A.M.
- 26th H.T. unprep'd Less'n, each time, as last week; sent home to learn it. T. EVANS. 3 Wks. Sch. due, but no payment, not admitted, according to Rule of School. Excused the P.T's Aft'n Sp. Inst'n as he had a head-ache, and myself a seeming indication of a tendency to that complaint.
- 27th H.T. less'n unprep'd wrote last week's instead: tried him by learning it in the room, as he promised etc. but at close of M. Sch. could only reproduce four words. I gave him this opportunity as he said he could not find his book: so in Aft'n I asked if he had searched for it & learn't etc. but no answer; told him to go & search & learn etc. fearing it was lost on purpose. Weather fine, & many children absent with potatoe picking.
- 28th Nothing very interesting specially to report to day.
- 29th T. EVANS very stubborn at M. Sch. flipping a girl with his handkerchief, then threw it down and refused to pick it up and put it away, after three times telling, once by P.T. and twice by myself: sent him home, & afterwards saw his mother acquainted her etc. and requested her to detain him at home for the remainder of the day, she owned etc. as to his temper, advocated corporal punishment, but promised to do as I had said & keep him close etc. H. TAVENDER 27 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. and very dirty, told him to go and clean himself etc. etc.
- 30th P.T. not well; giddiness in the head: not able to attend for morning special instruction & excused from after'n do. 1st Class Arithmetic and Dictation, fair. 2nd & 3rd Classes Reading moderately fair. H. TAVENDER dirty at After'n Sch. had not washed, sent home to clean himself, did not return; generally very idle etc. etc.
- Oct 3rd Henry TAVENDER very idle and inattentive at M. Sch. detained, with very little success; dirty in the Afternoon, and finding him commencing idleness etc. again, I thought it best to send him home as the morning's experience was very discouraging.
- 4th H.T. disobedient & inattentive at Script're Lesson, refused to join in simultaneous reading (also dirty as to hands) sent home; a slight improvement in the afternoon. Others progress etc. fair.
- 5th H.T. without book & lesson not learn't, told him he could not come, if he would not learn etc. his lesson. 1st class Arithmetic and Reading fair; Dictation moderate, also Abstracts do. Reading by 3rd class fairly good.
- 6th Arithmetic by St. V f. g. St. IV moderately fair. Reading by each, fair. St. II Reading & Arithmetic, fairly good.

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- Oct 7th School visited by Rev'd at 11.20 A.M. The attendance rather scanty, chiefly in consequence of so many being employed at the potatoe-digging & apple-gathering.
- 10th H.T. unprep'd L. & no B'k., rec'd Sch. F. sent him to prepare, & communicated with his friends after M. Sch: found he had told me a falsehood about the loss of his Pr. Bk. They promised to try with him & keep him to his lesson etc. etc.
- 11th Reading by 1st & 2nd classes, fair; Abstracts & Arithmetic, moderately so. 3rd Class Reading & Tables, fair. School visited by Rev'd at 2.30 p.m. The attendance a little more numerous than in previous weeks.
- 12th Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by 1st Class, fairly good. Reading & Tables by 3rd very fair, and Reading by 2nd Class, fairly good.
- 13th A boy in the 2nd very dirty at Aft'n Sch. (H. TAVENDER) sent to clean himself; did not return. H. CARTER detained for lateness this & a previous afternoon, also Mary & Thom. CARTER for a similar fault to day. Arithmetic & Reading by 1st class, fair also do. by 3rd moderately good.
- 14th Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st Class, very fair. Reading by 2nd and 3rd fairly good. H.T. dirty & late in Aft'n, (20 m.) sent home to clean himself: no return. T. CARTER detained for lateness in Aft'n 25 m. Apple picking still prevalent.
- 17th H. CARTER 40 m.l. in Morn'g Sch. too late for entry etc. Abstracts, Arithmetic & Reading by 1st Class, fairly good. Reading and Tables by 3rd class, fair.
- 18th Henry TAVENDER, unprepared lesson, and no Book, each time, sent home; T. EVANS, dirty at Aft'n Sch. unwashed; asked to go & clean himself; no return. 1st class Arithmetic, fair, Abstracts, moderate, Reading, fair. 3rd class, Reading & Arithmetic, fair.
- 19th Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by St. IV and V fairly good, Reading by St. II and III very fair.
- 20th H.T. 35 m.l. at M. Sch. too late for entry etc. Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic by 1st Class, fair. Reading & Arithmetic by 3rd fairly good. School visited by Rev'd at 2.30 p.m.
- 21st Many children absent from sickness of friends at home, one from the death of a relation, another by the serious illness & expected decease of a grandfather. The weather also rather stormy, as during previous portion of the week.
- 24th Abstracts, Arithmetic and Reading by 1st class, fair. Reading and Tables by 3rd also fair. The weather fine and warm for the season. Two former scholars returned in upper section.
- 25th H.T. without L.B. at M. Sch. sent for it, no return, detained after Aft'n Sch. The upper section rather more numerously attended in the afternoon. St. V moderate in Arithmetic.
- 26th Abstracts, Reading, Arithmetic & Dictation by 1st class, fair, 3rd class, Transcript & Reading, fair. H.T. as yesterday at M. Sch, called at his home, found L.B. lost rec'd $\frac{1}{4}$ d for it, as per rule, & supplied him another etc. etc., also det'd him for improvement.
- 27th A boy in the 2nd very stubborn at the Arithmetic lesson at M. Sch. refusing to alter a wrong figure both for P.T. and myself, sent him home & thought it best not to admit him in the afternoon, having had past experience of his temper.
- 28th M.A. WEEKS very imp't at Morn'g Lesson. F. DURY still obstinate at M. Sch. would not promise to obey etc. so again sent away, in Aft'n gave promise, and was admitted.
- 31st Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic by 1st class, fair. Reading and Tables by 3rd class moderately fair. A former pupil admitted for improvement in prospect of a situation.
- Nov 1st Reading by 1st and 2nd classes fairly good. Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st fair. General Reading by do. very fair. Reading and Tables by 3rd, fair. A New scholar in the Infant section.
- 2nd L. PRIDDY at Aft'n Sch. dirty face, sent home to clean, no return. Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by the 1st class, very fair. Reading & Tables by 3rd f. Reading of the 2nd class, fairly good.
- 3rd Req'd to go to Bath with Rev'd to choose a Harmonium for the School and Singing Class. After the opening & Script're Lesson, my wife and P.T. assisted by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR'S pupil carried on the School, with a visit from Mrs TAYLOR during the morning.
- 4th Abstracts, Reading & Arithmetic by 1st class, fair. Reading & Tables by 3rd class also fair.
- 7th F. DURY 3 Wks Sch. due, but no payment, not present till afternoon, sent home for money according to Rule. Abstracts, Reading & Arithmetic by 1st class, fair, also Reading & Tables by 3rd class.
- 8th H. TAVENDER, omitted L.B. as on some previous occasions etc. det'd in Aft'n, as also a few of the upper class for dulness in Arithmetic, and one of the 2nd for being a little too chatty.

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- Nov 9th Abstracts, Reading, Arithmetic and Dictation by 1st class, moderately fair. Reading & Tables by 3rd fair.
- 10th T. EVANS detected by P.T. rattling pieces of slate pencil inside the lining of his coat during the Transcript Less'n (Tables). These seemed to belong to the school (though he said he brought them from home) and his brother told P.T. that he saw him take them just before school time, & meant to tell him of it but forgot it, Sent the above home, thinking it best not to let him remain, also judged it expedient not to admit him in the afternoon, having had almost invariably to watch him for some time past.
- 11th The above having promised, I again admitted him this morning. Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by 1st class fair. Reading & Tables by 3rd & Reading by 2nd also fair.
- 14th Ja's PEARCE deficient in Sch. Fees, sent for it, no return, brought in the afternoon. L. PRIDDY 37 m.l. in Aft'n not entered etc. Abstracts, Arithmetic & Reading by 1st class, fair. Reading and Tables by 3rd very fair.
- 15th H.T. lesson totally unprepared (Collect) sent home. Reading by 1st & 2nd fair; also Arithmetic & Abstracts. Reading, Arithmetic & Tables by 3rd class, fairly good.
- 16th School as usual in the morning: in the afternoon conducted by my wife and P.T. assisted Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR's pupil, as I had to commence a journey to a place in the western part of the county, concerning a new situation.
- 17th School as yesterday assisted etc. by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR in the morning, and his pupil in the afternoon.
- 18th The school managed as yesterday, as I could not manage to arrive home conveniently for school work to day.
- 21st Abstracts, Reading, and Arithmetic by 1st class, and also Transcript and Reading by 3rd class, very fair. G. EVANS 35 m.l. at Aft'n Sch., not entered etc.
- 22nd H.T. unprep'd lesson, as last week. A.M. EVANS 35 m.l. at Aft'n Sch. not entered etc. Reading by 1st and 2nd fairly good; also their abstracts and arithmetic. Reading & Tables by 3rd class also fairly good.
- 23rd Abstracts, Arithmetic and Dictation by 1st class, fair; also Reading & Tables by 3rd & Reading by 2nd class.
- 24th A vacation allowed; Boards, Tables, etc. etc. fetched & placed in the usual way for a Tea Meeting in the Evening on the occasion of inaugurating the Harmonium recently purchased for the school.
- 25th Returning Boards, Tables, Tea Services etc. etc. preparing rooms for School work again. Settling accounts. A vacation as yesterday.
- 28th Abstracts, Arithmetic & Reading by 1st class, very fair; Reading by 3rd class & Arithmetic also fair. 2nd class work generally fair. A vacation in the afternoon, having to prepare the Girl's room for a meeting (Ch. P. A.) in the evening, all the benches, chairs etc. being required and placed for the purpose.
- 29th Script're Reading by 1st and 2nd fair, also Abstracts and Arithmetic. Reading by 3rd class, very fair, Arithmetic also fair, with a few exceptions.
- 30th A pane of glass suddenly broken in the boys' room during the afternoon school. P.T. and Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR's pupil ran out to see who it was, and found a large stick under the window, and saw Ja's PEARCE running down the road very swiftly. The afternoon rainy and dark.
- Dec 1st Scripture Reading by the two upper classes, fair; as also their Abstracts and Arithmetic. 3rd class Reading and Arithmetic also fair.
- 2nd Abstracts, Arithmetic and Reading 1st class, moderately fair; Reading by 3rd fairly good, Transcript, fair; Arithmetic, by 2nd and 3rd moderately fair; Reading by 2nd also, moderately fair.
- 5th Reading and Abstracts by 1st class fair; Arithmetic, moderately so. Tables and Reading by 3rd fair.
- 6th Scripture Reading by the two upper classes, fair, as also their Abstracts: Arithmetic, very fair. Tables, Reading and Arithmetic by 3rd class, moderately fair. School visited by Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR at 11.40 A.M.
- 7th Catechism by 1st and 2nd fair; also Abstracts & Arithmetic by 1st & Reading by 3rd and 2nd classes.
- 8th G. EVANS without L.B. at M. Sch. having let another boy have it the previous evening; sent for it; no return. Scripture Reading by 1st and 2nd classes, fair. Abstracts, m.f. Arithmetic, v.f. 3rd class Reading, & Tables, moderately fair.
- 9th Catechism by 1st and 2nd fair, also Abstracts, Arithmetic and Reading by the 1st and Tables & Reading by 3rd class, fair.
- 12th Abstracts, Reading and Arithmetic by 1st class, fair, also their Transcript of Tables, Measures etc. Reading & Transcript by 3rd class, fairly good, Arithmetic, moderately so. My wife very unwell, and not able to assist in the school. The weather rainy in the morning, fair in the Afternoon.

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- Dec 13th Scripture Reading by 1st and 2nd classes, fair, also Abstracts and Arithmetic. 3rd class Reading and Tables, also fair, Arithmetic moderately fair.
- 14th A boy in the 3rd very inattentive at religious Instruction, and afterwards stubborn, refusing to take his slate or write because told to stand; sent home. Catechism by 1st and 2nd fair; also Abstracts and Arithmetic by 1st and Reading by 2nd & Do. & Tables by 3rd class.
- 15th Scripture Reading by 1st and 2nd fair, as also Abstracts, Arithmetic and General Reading by 1st and also Reading, Arithmetic and Tables by the 3rd class.
- 16th Catechism by the two upper classes, fair, also Abstracts and Arithmetic of 1st, Reading by 2nd and Do. and Tables by the 3rd class. Catechism by 3rd very fair. The last day in which the P.T. (Edw'd COLES) had to assist me in the daily school, he having next week to be examined at Cheltenham for admission to a Normal School in order to be trained as a Teacher.
- 19th Snow on the ground, and cold weather. Infant section of children rather thinly attended. Assisted in Teaching by some of the elder children. Progress in each class and subject in some degree satisfactory, and generally fair.
- 20th Scripture Reading by 1st and 2nd and also by 3rd, fair. Abstracts, Arithmetic and Transcript, by 1st class, with similar subjects & general Reading by 2nd & 3rd classes moderately fair.
- 21st The school visited by the Committee in the morning: in the afternoon dismissed for the usual vacation given at this time. The closing day of my occupation here as Teacher of the Daily School. Frederick NEEDES.

Mr & Mrs NEEDES having resigned their situation in the School, the Managers proceeded to the selection of Teachers to supply their places. Miss Sarah ANDREWS was appointed Chief Teacher, and commenced her duties on Monday 27th February 1865. Geo. R. TAYLOR, Secretary.

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- Feb 27th Commencement of duties in the High Littleton School. Attendance 40 in the Morning 42 in the Afternoon, including Infants. Two Admissions.
- 28th Some little difficulty in arranging the children so as to keep them all employed, owing to the Infant teacher not being able to commence her duties until Monday next.
- Mar 1st A visit from Dr. PHELP, who wished to know what he could give as a present to the School.
- 2nd Examined 3rd Class & found then deficient in Arithmetic.
- 3rd No entry
- 6th Miss BREMBLE [*Eliza BRIMBLE*] commenced her duties in the Infant School. Several children who had gone to other Schools have returned to this again.
- 7th Progress generally satisfactory.
- 8th Some little trouble with Sarah STONE, one of the elder girls, who refused to do as she was told.
- 9th Progress satisfactory. Mrs TAYLOR visited the School in the Afternoon.
- 10th Usual School duties, no entry.
- 11th A visit from Dr. PHELP, who brought a present for the School, A box of letters & blocks for the Infant School, and a dissected Map of England for the Juveniles.
- 13th A larger attendance than at the latter part of last week, 52 both Morning and Afternoon. Several admissions and 3 withdrawals, Sarah STONE, the girl who gave trouble last week, and her brother & sister.
- 14th The 3rd Class make but little progress in Arithmetic. They do not seem to understand what they do or why numbers are placed in certain positions. A visit from Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR.
- 15th Second Class backward in Arithmetic. One girl, Martha EVANS, readmitted.
- 16th Usual School duties. Rev'd G.R. TAYLOR visited the School.
- 17th The 3rd Class seem to make little progress in Arithmetic. One boy Edwin MAGGS absent from illness.
- 20th The 3rd Class still improve in Arithmetic. The reading of the 1st & 2nd Class not so good as it might be. They do not mind their stops and consequently leave out a great many of the little words.
- 21st The 1st & 2nd Class make a little progress in reading.
- 22nd Two admissions, Fred & George CHIVERS.
- 23rd The 4th Class not seen to improve much in their Reading: Their writing too is not so good as it might be, some of them are not able to make the first letter of the Alphabet properly.
- 24th The 1st Class still improve in their Reading, as do also the 2nd & 3rd.
- 27th Two admissions, in the Infant Section.

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- Mar 28th The 4th Class seem to improve a little in Arithmetic.
 29th The first class do not seem to make much progress in Arithmetic.
 30th Usual School duties. Meeting of the Managers.
 31st The 4th Class makes a little progress in Reading & in Writing.
- Apr 3rd Three children admitted, two of them had sometime previously been to the School.
 4th Usual School duties. One child admitted in the Infant Section.
 5th The 2nd & 3rd Class do not improve much in Arithmetic. A small number of children today, owing to the weather.
 6th The 1st Class make a little progress in Reading.
 7th The 2nd & 3rd Classes seem to make an improvement in Dictation.
 10th Four children admitted in the Infant Section and one readmitted in the juvenile department.
 11th Usual School duties.
 12th The 2nd & 3rd Class seem to make a slight improvement in Arithmetic. The 4th Class too appear to improve in Numbers.
 13th The 4th Class rather indifferent during the Reading lesson.
 14th Good Friday.
 17th One child admitted to the Infant Section. Usual School duties.
 18th The progress of the School generally satisfactory. The 4th Class have made an improvement in Writing.
 19th School duties as usual.
 20th The 3rd Class seem to have improved in Arithmetic.
 21st School as usual. A smaller number present than at the beginning of the week.
 24th Admitted Five children, one in the juvenile School, and four in the Infant.
 25th The 1st Class have improved in Arithmetic.
 26th The Dictation of 2nd class is much better than it was.
 27th Ordinary School duties.
 28th A less number of children present than at the former part of the week.
- May 1st Admitted 4 children, 3 to the Infant Section & one to the Juvenile.
 2nd The 1st and 2nd Class seem to have made some progress in Arithmetic.
 3rd The 4th Class have made some improvement in Reading.
 4th The 3rd Class still improve in Numbers.
 5th Some improvement in Reading by the 1st and 2nd Classes.
 8th Three children admitted, two in the Juvenile and one in the Infant School.
 9th The 4th class seem to make a little improvement in Writing.
 10th School duties as usual.
 11th the 3rd Class have made but little progress today in Numbers.
 12th The 1st & 2nd Class paid particular attention to their Writing to-day.
 15th One Child admitted in the juvenile School. Number present 73.
 16th School as usual.
 17th The 1st class have made some progress in Arithmetic.
 18th The School examined by the Diocesan Inspector.
 19th School as usual.
 22nd One child admitted to the juvenile Section.
 23rd One boy Edwin MAGGS ill.
 24th The 4th class very careless with their Reading.
 25th The 1st Class seem to get on with their Arithmetic.
 26th Usual School duties.
 29th Two children readmitted. They had been to another school during the long vacation.
 30th Several children absent from illness.
 31st Ordinary School duties.
- Jun 1st The 2nd class make but slight improvement in Numbers.
 2nd School as usual. The children have permission to stay at home next Week, Whitsuntide.
 12th One child admitted to the Infant Section. Several children absent from sickness, Small Pox.
 13th School as usual.
 14th The Dictation of 1st Class is much improved.
 15th The 4th Class have made some little progress in Numbers.
 16th Usual School duties.
 19th Usual School duties. One boy, William FORD, returned to his home at Doynton.
 20th The 1st Class have made but slight improvement in Numbers.

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- Jun 21st The 3rd Class seem to improve in Writing.
 22nd Ordinary School duties.
 23rd Examined 3 & 4th class in Arithmetic, found them improved.
 26th One boy, James PEARCE, readmitted. Has been to another School during the long vacation.
 27th The Dictation of 1st & 2nd Class but slightly improved since last week.
 28th Usual School duties.
 29th The 3rd Class still seem to make but slight improvement in Reading.
 30th School duties as usual.
- Jul 3rd Three children admitted, two in the juvenile & one in the Infant School.
 4th The Spelling and Dictation of 1st & 2nd Class, very unsatisfactory.
 5th The 3rd Class have made some little improvement in Numbers, also in Reading.
 6th The 4th Class make but slight progress in Reading.
 7th Ordinary School duties.
 10th One child, Mary A. TUCKER, admitted to the juvenile School.
 11th The 1st Class do not seem to make much progress in Numbers.
 12th The 3rd class very careless about their Sums.
 13th The reading of 4th Class better than yesterday.
 14th The Dictation of 1st & 2nd Class improved to what it was last week.
 17th Examined 1st Standard in Numbers, they answered & wrote down figures very fairly. One child admitted, three readmitted.
 18th The Arithmetic of 3rd Standard was much better than last week.
 19th Ordinary School duties.
 20th Examined 2nd Standard in Tables, they seemed to answer very fairly.

1865 July 21 Chief Teacher Sarah ANDREWS, Probationer 2d Class. Assisting Teacher Eliza BRIMBLE. Monitor Susan COLLINS. H.B. BARRY, H.M.I.
 Inspector's Report rec'd Sep 5th 1865. "The School is in fair order and improving in attainment under the present Mistress who has not been long in charge." Signed Geo. R. TAYLOR, Secretary.

- Aug 14th Miss [Martha] COLLINS commenced her duties as Infant Teacher. Taught 2nd Class, Addition of Money.
 15th Superintended the Infant School.
 16th Taught 4th class how to put down figures as far as hundreds.
 17th Gave 3rd Class a lesson on Simple Multiplication by one figure.
 18th Examined 4th Class in Reading.
 21st Readmission of one girl who had been to another School.
 22nd Taught 3rd Class how to put down numbers as far as hundreds of thousands.
 23rd Examined 1st Class in Arithmetic.
 24th Gave a lesson to 2nd Class on Short division.
 25th Examined the Upper School in Scripture.
 28th Taught 2nd Class the Subtraction of Money.
 29th Examined 3rd Class in Reading.
 30th Gave a lesson to 1st Class on Addition of Weights and Measures.
 31st Examined 1st & 2nd Class in Reading.
- Sep 1st Gave a lesson on Notation to 4th Class. Examined the Upper School on the Scripture Lessons given during the week.
 4th Gave a lesson to 3rd Class on Multiplication by two figures.
 5th Examined 1st Class in the Rule taught them the previous week.
 6th Gave a Reading Lesson to the 4th Class.
 7th Gave the 4th Class [a lesson] on Notation as far as "hundreds".
 8th Gave the 3rd Class a Reading Lesson. Examined the whole of the Classes on the Scripture lessons given them the previous week.
 11th Examined 4th Class in Notation as far as hundreds.
 12th Taught the 1st Class the addition of Avoirdupois Weight.
 13th Examined the 2nd & 3rd Class in Arithmetic generally.
 14th Gave the 4th Class a Reading Lesson.
 15th Examined 1st & 4th Classes in Arithmetic. Also Examined the whole of the Class in Scripture.
 18th Gave 4th Class a Reading Lesson. Taught the 3rd Class how to multiply by more than two figures.

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- Sep 19th Examined 1st Class in Arithmetic generally.
 20th Gave a lesson to 2nd Class on the Subtraction of money in which the Shillings & Pence in the lower line are higher than in the upper.
 21st Took the 1st & 2nd Class in Reading and Dictation.
 22nd Examined 1st & other Classes in Scripture generally.
 25th One child, Emma BRUGES, admitted.
 26th Ordinary School Lessons.
 27th Gave a lesson in the Infant School to 1st Class on the Addition of Simple Numbers.
 28th Several children absent on account of sickness. Gave a Reading lesson to 3rd Class.
 29th Examined 1st & 2nd Class in Dictation. Also the whole of the Juvenile Section in Scripture.
- Oct 2nd One child admitted to the juvenile Section.
 3rd Gave the 4th Class a Reading lesson.
 4th Examined 4th class in Arithmetic.
 5th Gave the 3rd Class a lesson in Multiplication, with ciphers.
 6th Heard the juvenile Section repeat the Church Catechism, and asked them simple questions upon it.
 9th Gave a Reading Lesson to 3rd & 4th Classes.
 10th Gave 1st & 2nd Class a Reading Lesson with Spelling.
 11th Gave the 4th & 1st Classes an Arithmetic Lesson.
 12th Examined 2nd, 3rd & 4th Classes in Arithmetic.
 13th Gave a lesson to the 1st Class in Mental Arithmetic. Gave the 4th Class a Reading lesson.
 16th Took the 1st Class in Arithmetic, Back Rules.
 17th Gave a lesson to 4th Class in Notation as far as Thousands.
 18th Gave a Reading Lesson with Spelling to 3rd Class.
 19th Examined 2nd Class in Arithmetic as far as they had learnt.
 20th Examination of the whole School in Scripture and Catechism.
 23rd Gave the 1st & 2nd Classes a Reading Lesson with Spelling.
 24th Examined 3rd & 4th Class in Arithmetic.
 25th Gave the 2nd Class an Arithmetic Lesson, Subtraction of Money.
 26th Took the 3rd & 4th Classes for Reading and Spelling.
 27th Examined the whole of the classes in Scripture.
 30th Took the 1st Class in Arithmetic, also the 4th Class.
 31st Examined the 2nd & 3rd Classes in Reading.
- Nov 1st Gave the 3rd Class a lesson in Arithmetic, Multiplication.
 2nd Examined the Infant Section in Scripture.
 3rd Heard the Juvenile Section repeat the Church Catechism, and asked simple Questions upon it.
 6th One child, Hannah CARTER, admitted to the juvenile school.
 7th Gave the 3rd Class a Lesson in Arithmetic, Division of Simple Numbers.
 8th Gave a lesson to 4th Class in Arithmetic, Subtraction of Simple Numbers.
 9th Examined 2nd Class in Compound Addition.
 10th Examined the whole of the classes in Scripture and Catechism.
 13th Examined 2nd Standard in Arithmetic.
 14th Gave 1st Standard a lesson on Addition of units, with the use of ball frame.
 20th Gave a Reading lesson to 3rd Standard.
 21st Examined 4th Standard in Arithmetic (Long Division).
 22nd Examined 3rd Standard in the first three Simple Rules of Arithmetic.
 23rd Examined 1st Standard in Writing.
 24th Examined the juvenile Section in Scripture lessons given on previous days of the week.
 27th Gave a lesson to 2nd Standard on Subtraction.
 28th Gave Dictation to 3rd & 4th Standards from 1st Sequel to 2nd Book of Lessons.
 29th Examined 1st Standard in Reading.
 30th Examined the Reading and Transcription of 2nd Standard.
- Dec 1st General examination of juvenile Section.
 4th Gave a lesson to 4th Standard on Compound Multiplication. Return of three children to school, who had been absent from sickness.
 5th Examined 1st Standard in the writing down of Numbers.
 6th Gave a lesson to 2nd Standard on Subtraction of unequal numbers.
 7th Gave a lesson to 3rd Standard in Compound Addition.
 8th Examined the juvenile Section on the Scripture lessons given them the preceding days.
 11th Examined 3rd & 4th Standards in Arithmetic.

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- Dec 12th Gave 3rd Standard a Dictation Lesson from the "New Series", Second reading book, Miscellaneous Lessons.
 13th Gave a Lesson to 1st Standard on the Subtraction of Single numbers.
 14th Examined 2nd Standard in Arithmetic and Transcription.
 15th Examined the School in the Catechism, Broken questions.
 18th Gave a Dictation Lesson to 4th & 5th Standards, from the Third Reading Book New Series.
 19th Examined 3rd Standard in Arithmetic, Compound Addition.
 20th Gave a lesson to 2nd Standard on the Subtraction of unequal numbers, introducing ciphers.
 21st Examined the writing and Sums of 1st Standard.
 22nd Examination of Juvenile Section in Scripture lessons given on the preceding days of the week.

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- Jan 8th Reassembling of the School after two weeks vacation.
 9th Gave a Reading & Dictation Lesson to 3rd & 4th Standards.
 10th Gave an Arithmetic Lesson to the 2nd Standard.
 11th Gave a Reading Lesson to 1st Standard.
 12th Examined the Classes in the Scripture they had learnt before Xmas Holidays.
 15th Examined the Transcription and Arithmetic of 2nd Standard.
 16 Gave a lesson to 4th Standard in Compound Division, with two numbers, showing how factors can be used.
 17th Gave a lesson in Simple Long Division to the 3rd Standard.
 18th Examined the Infant Section in Scripture.
 19th Examined the juvenile Section in Catechism, The first Standard by repeating, and 2nd, 3rd & 4th by writing.
 22nd One child admitted to Juvenile Section. Examined 1st Standard in Reading.
 23rd Repetition of the Lesson given to 4th Standard in Compound Division.
 24th Gave a lesson in Subtraction to 2nd Standard.
 25th Gave a lesson to 4th Standard (Compound Division).
 26th Examined the whole of Juvenile Section in Reading, Writing & Arithmetic.
 29th Gave a lesson to 3rd Standard in Simple Long Division.
 30th Gave a Dictation Lesson to 3rd & 4th Standards. Examined the Transcription of 2nd Standard.
 31st Gave an Arithmetic Lesson (Addition) to 1st Standard.
- Feb 1st Taught the 3rd Standard Addition of Money.
 2nd Examined Juvenile Section in Scripture generally.
 5th Continued the lesson to 1st Standard in Simple Addition.
 6th Examined 2nd Standard in Simple Addition and Subtraction.
 7th Examined 3rd Standard in Reading.
 8th Taught 4th Standard Compound Division.
 9th Examined the juvenile Section in Catechism.
 12th Examined the Transcription and Arithmetic of 2nd Standard.
 13th Gave a Dictation Lesson to 3rd & 4th Standards.
 14th Ash Wednesday.
 15th No entry.
 16th - -
 19th Taught 1st Standard how to Subtract Simple Numbers.
 20th Examined 2nd Standard in Arithmetic.
 21st Examined the Arithmetic of 4th Standard.
 22nd Gave a Dictation lesson to 3rd & 4th Standards.
 23rd Examined the juvenile Section in Scripture generally.
 26th The school dismissed - the Chief Teacher, Miss ANDREWS, leaving.
- Mar 5th The School re-opened, with Miss COLLIER for Chief Teacher.
 5th Commencement of duties in the High Littleton School. Two children admitted, Christina CURTIS and Henry CHIVERS. Both in Juvenile School. Attendance very fair. Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school and gave a short address to the children. Severely reprovved several boys for misconduct which produced a very good effect.
 6th Attendance not so good, on account of the inclemency of the weather. Reading and Writing of 1st & 2nd classes very fair.
 7th Examined the 3rd & 4th classes in reading and writing. Both fair. Mrs TAYLOR visited the school in the afternoon and brought some needle-work for the children. The Rev. G.R. TAYLOR also visited the school.

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- Mar 8th School duties as usual.
 9th Mrs TAYLOR visited the school.
 12th One child admitted John CHIVERS in the Juvenile school. Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 13th Mrs TAYLOR visited the school.
 14th School as usual no entry.
 15th Examination of 3rd & 4th Classes in Arithmetic, both fair.
 16th Less number of children present than usual, The weather being very wet and cold.
 19th One child admitted in the Infant room. Rev. G.R. and Mrs TAYLOR visited the school.
 20th School as usual no entry.
 21st Day of Humiliation for the Cattle Plague.
 22 School as usual.
 23rd Progress generally satisfactory.
 26th The Assistant Mistress unable to attend to her duties on account of sickness. Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school in the morning, and Mrs MOGG with Mrs TAYLOR in the afternoon.
 27th Gave the 1st and 2nd Classes a Dictation Lesson.
 28th Very few children on account of the weather. Mr MOGG visited the school in the afternoon.
 29th School as usual no entry.
 30 Good Friday.
- Apr 2nd The children rather troublesome.
 3rd School as usual, no entry.
 4th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school for the purpose of measuring it.
 5th The school visited by Mrs TAYLOR and the Misses PERRINS.
 6th School as usual, no entry.
 9th Very few children present being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 10th The attendance very irregular.
 11th Examined the first Standard. Progress very fair.
 12th School as usual.
 13th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 14th Recapitulation of the lessons which were given during the week.
 16th Two children admitted, Henry CARTER in the Juvenile school & Albert EVANS in the Infant room. Half holiday on account of the Confirmation.
 17th Gave a lesson on Numeration to the first and second classes.
 18 School as usual, no entry.
 19 Rev G.R. TAYLOR visited the school, and gave a Scripture Lesson to the younger children.
 20 School as usual. No entry.
 23 Two children admitted in the Infant room. Attendance more satisfactory. 67 children present in the morning.
 24 School as usual. No entry.
 25th The attendance very irregular, the children still being detained to assist in the gardening.
 26 School as usual.
 27 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 30th Examination of the children by the Diocesan Inspector. Rev. G.R. TAYLOR present.
- May 1st Very few children present. Weather very cold and wet.
 2nd School as usual.
 3rd Rev G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 4th No entry.
 7th Very fair attendance. One little boy "Henry CLEAVES" readmitted, in the Juvenile School.
 8th Gave a lesson to Standard III in simple long division.
 9th Rev G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 10th School as usual.
 11th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instructions.
 14th A little boy, Austin JAMES, readmitted in the Juvenile School.
 15th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 16 School as usual.
 17 No entry.
 18 No entry.
 28 Very good attendance both morning and afternoon, three children admitted.
 29 School as usual.
 30 Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.

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- May 31 School as usual.
 Jun 1st Rev. G.R. TAYLOR examined 4th & 5th Standards in dictation.
 4 Two children returned to school after a long absence.
 5 Gave a Lesson in Subtraction to 2nd Standard.
 6th No entry.
 7th Examined Standard I in Arithmetic.
 8th No entry.
 11th Examined 1st Standard in writing.
 12th School as usual.
 13th Examined Standard II in reading.
 14th No entry.
 15th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 18th One child admitted in the infant room. Very few children present, the weather being very wet.
 19th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR examined Standard II in Numeration.
 20th No entry.
 21st Examined Standard II in reading.
 22nd School as usual.
 25 One little boy admitted in the Infant room.
 26 No entry.
 27 Examined Standards III & IV in reading.
 28 School as usual.
 29 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 Jul 2nd Readmitted one little girl in the Juvenile school. Attendance very bad on account of the weather.
 3rd School as usual.
 4th Examined 1st Standard in writing.
 5th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 6 Examination of Juvenile school in Scripture.
 9th Attendance very irregular on account of the hay-making.
 10 Three children admitted.
 11 School as usual.
 12 Gave a Dictation Lesson to 3rd Standard.
 13 No entry.
 16th Admitted one little girl in the Infant room.
 17th Examined Standard I in Reading.
 18 Examined Standard II in Arithmetic.
 19th School as usual, no entry.

1866 July 20. Chief Teacher Emily COLLIER, 3rd class, 1st year. Assisting Teacher Martha COLLINS.
 H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.

- Aug 13th Recommencement of duties in High Littleton National School. Two children admitted in Infant room.
 14 Rev. G.R. & Mrs TAYLOR visited the school.
 15 No entry.
 16 School as usual.
 17 Gave a lesson to Standard III in Simple Division.
 20 Admitted five children.
 21 Gave a lesson to Standard IV in Compound Addition.
 22 School as usual.
 23 Gave a lesson to standard III in dictation.
 24 No entry.
 27 Gave a lesson on Numeration to Standard II.
 28 School as usual.
 29 Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 30 No entry.
 31st No entry.
 Sep 3rd Admitted one little girl in the Infant room.
 4 School as usual.

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- Sep 5th Rev. G.R. TAYLOR visited the school.
 6th Gave a Lesson to Standard II in Subtraction.
 7th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 Sep 10 Admitted 2 children.
 11 Gave a Lesson to Standard III in Simple short division.
 12 Less number present at school on account of the weather.
 13 School as usual.
 14 Gave a dictation Lesson to Standard III.
 17 School as usual.
 18 Children's treat.
 19 Holiday.
 20th School as usual.
 21st The school was visited in the morning by Mrs TAYLOR and in the afternoon by Mrs MOGG.
 24th Very fair attendance. Admitted one little boy in the infant room.
 25 School as usual.
 26 Examined Standard II in reading.
 27 No entry.
 28 Very few children present at school on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 Oct 1st Admitted one child in the infant room.
 2nd Readmitted a little boy in the Juvenile room.
 3rd No entry.
 4 Gave a dictation lesson to Standard II.
 5th School as usual.
 8th Admitted two little boys from the Union.
 9 School as usual.
 10th Examined Standard I in Arithmetic.
 11th No entry.
 12th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.

Inspector's Report. "The Discipline is fair, and the Religious knowledge was in some cases very fair, but the answering should be more general. In elementary subjects a great improvement is needed, especially in Arithmetic, and the reading of the second Standard. The present Mistress has only been a few months in charge. More reading books are needed".

Signed, for the Managers, Geo. R. TAYLOR, Sec'y.

- Oct 15th Admitted one little boy in the Infant room.
 16 School as usual.
 17 Very few children present, being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 18 No entry.
 19 -
 22 Very small attendance, the weather being very wet and dirty. Admitted one little boy in the Juvenile school.
 23 School as usual, no entry.
 24 Very irregular attendance.
 25 Gave a dictation lesson to Standard III.
 26 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 29 Very fair attendance both Morning and Afternoon.
 30 School as usual.
 31 No entry.
 Nov 1st Examined Standard I in Reading.
 2nd No entry.
 5th Examined Standard II in Reading some, little improvement.
 6 School as usual.
 7 No entry.
 8 Gave a dictation lesson to Standards III and IV.
 9 School as usual.
 12 Readmitted one little boy after a long absence.
 13 Gave a lesson in short division to Standard III.
 14 No entry.

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Nov 15 Examined Standards III & IV in reading.
 16 School as usual.
 19 Admitted one little boy to the Juvenile room.
 20 -
 21 School as usual.
 22 Very fair attendance in the morning.
 23 No entry.
 26 Examined Standard I in Reading.
 27 No entry.
 28 Examined standard I in Arithmetic.
 29 No entry.
 30 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 Dec 3rd Readmitted one little boy after a very long absence.
 4 Very few children present on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 5 No entry.
 6 Very few children present.
 7 School as usual.
 10 Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 11th Examined the 2nd Class in Arithmetic. Improvement satisfactory.
 12 School as usual.
 13 No entry.
 14 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 17th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 18 No entry.
 19 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standard IV.
 20 School as usual.
 21 Christmas Vacation commenced.

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Jan 7th Readmitted two little boys after a long absence.
 8th very few children present. Weather very cold.
 9 No entry.
 10 Examined Standard I in Reading.
 11 No entry.
 14th Very few children present.
 15 No entry.
 16 Weather very severe.
 17 No entry.
 18 No entry.
 21st Readmitted one little boy.
 22 Examined Standard I in Arithmetic.
 23 School as usual.
 24 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards III and IV.
 25 No entry.
 28 Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 29 No entry.
 30 Examined Standard IV in Reading.
 31 Very few children present.
 Feb 1st School as usual.
 4th Admitted one little boy.
 5 Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic.
 6 School as usual.
 7 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards IV & V.
 8 No entry.
 11th Very favourable number present both morning and afternoon.
 12 No entry.
 13 Examined Standard II in Reading.
 14 Gave a Dictation Lesson to 4th & 5th Classes.
 15 No entry.
 18th Admitted one little girl.

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Feb 19 No entry.
 20 Examined Standard III in Reading.
 21 No entry.
 22 School as usual.
 25th Very favourable number present.
 26 Admitted one little girl in the infant room.
 27th Examined Standard I in Reading.
 28 No entry.

Mar 1st Examined Standard III in Arithmetic, progress favourable.
 4th Very few children present.
 5 No entry.
 6 Half holiday - Ash Wednesday.
 7 Gave a dictation lesson to Standard IV.
 8 No entry.
 11th Very fair attendance.
 12 School as usual, very few children present on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 13 No entry.
 14 School as usual.
 15 Holiday on account of the weather.
 18 12 children present, the weather being severe.
 19 No entry.
 20 21 children present, the weather still continuing very severe.
 21 No entry.
 22 No entry.
 25th Readmitted two children in the Juvenile room.
 26 School as usual.
 27 Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic.
 28 Gave a dictation lesson to Standards III and IV.
 29 No entry.

Apr 1st Very fair attendance.
 2nd School as usual.
 3rd Gave a dictation lesson to Standard IV.
 4th Examined Standard I in Arithmetic, progress rather unsatisfactory.
 5th No entry.
 8th Very few children present, 41 in the morning.
 9th Gave a short Division Lesson to Standard III.
 10 No entry.
 11 Examined Standard I in Reading.
 12 Recapitulation of former lessons.
 15th Very few children present.
 16 No entry.
 17 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standard III.
 18th Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic, progress satisfactory.
 19 Good Friday
 22nd School very badly attended, the children being detained by their parents to assist with the gardening.
 23 No entry.
 24 Less number of children present than usual on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 25th No entry.
 26 Examined Standard II in writing.
 29 The children still detained from school on account of the gardening, so the number present was very unsatisfactory.
 30 Examined Standard II in Reading, progress fair.

May 1st No entry.
 2nd Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards III & IV.
 3rd School as usual.
 6th Fair attendance.
 7 No entry.
 8th Examined Standard III in Arithmetic.

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- May 9th No entry.
 10th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 13th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 14 No entry.
 15 Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic, progress rather unsatisfactory.
 16 Examined the school in Arithmetic generally.
 17 School as usual.
 20th Fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 21st No entry.
 22 Examined Standard I in writing.
 23 School as usual.
 24 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 27th Examined Standard I in Arithmetic.
 28 School as usual.
 29 Gave a Compound Division Lesson to Standard IV.
 30 No entry.
 31 Examined Standards I and II on the Commandments.
 Jun 3rd Very few children present on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 4 No entry.
 5 The weather still very unsettled and in consequence very few children present.
 6 Examined Standard III in Arithmetic, progress fair.
 7 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction and dismissal of the children for the Whitsuntide Vacation.
 17th Reassembling of the children after the Vacation. The school visited by the Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN accompanied by his lady and daughter.
 18 School as usual.
 19 Gave a Reading Lesson to 3rd and 4th Classes.
 20 Gave a Dictation Lesson to the III and IV Standards.
 21 Examined the school generally in Scripture and Catechism.
 24th Readmitted two children. A very favourable number present both morning and afternoon.
 25th School as usual.
 26 A less number of children present to day on account of the hay-making, their parents detaining them at home while they are at work.
 27 Usual school duties.
 28 Examined, children in Scripture generally.
 Jul 1st Admitted three children in Infant Section.
 2 No entry.
 3 Examined Standard I in Arithmetic, children very backward.
 4 Usual school duties.
 5 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 8 Fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 9 Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
 10 The school visited in the afternoon by Mrs [Elizabeth] STREETEN who examined the Infants and heard the 1st Standard read.
 11 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the school and examined the children in Arithmetic etc.
 12th No entry.
 15th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 16th Examined the school generally.
 17 The Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN opened school and gave the children half holiday.

1867 July 18. Chief Teacher Emily COLLIER, 4th class, 1st grade. Assisting Teacher Martha COLLINS.
 H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.

- Jul 19th Gave a Scripture Lesson to the children on the Parable of the Prodigal Son.
 22nd Very favourable number of children present. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning and went to see the father of Tom EVANS, a boy who behaved himself very unruly on the day of Inspection. Mrs STREETEN also visited the school in the afternoon and brought some needlework for the girls.
 23rd Attendance not so good on account of the inclemency of the weather. Gave a lesson on the addition of wieghts (*sic*) and Measures to the 4th Standard.

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- Jul 24th Gave a lesson to the 2nd Standard in Notation, as far as hundreds. Admitted one little girl in the Infant Section.
 25th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given in the week.
 [26th seems to have been omitted.]
 29th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon. Admitted one little boy in the Juvenile room. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
 30th Examined the children in the Catechism generally, progress satisfactory.
 31st Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 3rd and 4th Classes.
 Aug 1st Examined the second Standard in Reading, progress rather unsatisfactory.
 2nd Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 5th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 6th Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 5th Standard.
 7th 60 children present in the morning, not so many in the afternoon owing to the inclemency of the weather.
 8th School as usual, no entry.
 9th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 12th Admitted three children, one in the Infant room, two in the Juvenile.
 13 School as usual. No entry.
 14 Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 3rd and 4th Classes
 15th Examined the 1st Standard in Reading and Arithmetic. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 16th School dismissed for the usual Midsummer Vacation.

H.M. Inspector's Report. "The discipline is very fair. Holy Scripture - of 66 questions 21 were answered by the Scholars to whom they were addressed. Catechism 2 of 34. Of 39 qualified Children 36 were examined. The result was very unsatisfactory. More reading books and cards are wanted. The School has been under some disadvantages during the past year".

On account of the state of instruction in School, My Lords have directed a deduction of one-tenth of the Grant to be made under Article 52nd on the present occasion. They will expect in future to receive an unqualified Certificate that the class Registers have been invariably marked and closed before the commencement of the minimum time specified in Article 41. Miss COLLINS' Certificate will not be forwarded until an improvement in the attainments of the School is exhibited.

Edm'd C STREETEN, Secretary.

- Sep 9th Reassembling of the children after the Midsummer Vacation. Very favourable number present both morning and afternoon.
 10 Gave a Dictation Lesson to third and fourth Classes.
 11 Examined Standard II in Reading and Arithmetic, progress rather unsatisfactory.
 12 Usual school duties.
 13 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 16 Readmitted two children, one in the Juvenile and one in the Infant room. Not so many present as on the former Monday Morning.
 17 Usual school duties. No entry.
 18 Examined Standard II in Reading and Arithmetic. A little progress has been made.
 19 School as usual.
 20 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 23rd Less number of children present to day, being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 24th Examined Standard I in Arithmetic, progress rather more satisfactory.
 25 Usual School Duties. No entry.
 26 The 4th Class are a little improved in Reading and Writing.
 27 School Duties as usual. A smaller number of children present than at the beginning of the week.
 30th School as usual. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
 Oct 1st Ordinary school duties.
 2nd Taught 1st Standard how to subtract single figures.
 3rd Usual School Duties. No entry.
 4th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 7th Readmitted one little boy in the Infant Section.
 8th Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
 9th Very few children present in the afternoon on account of the inclemency of the weather.

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- Oct 10 Usual School Duties. No entry.
 11th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 14th Readmitted one little boy in the Juvenile Room, very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 15 Fair attendance in the morning not so many in the afternoon on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 16 School as usual, no entry.
 17 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards IV and V.
 18th Examined the children in their Catechism generally. Progress satisfactory.
 21st Not so many children present as usual, the weather being very unfavourable.
 22 School as usual, no entry.
 23 Gave a short division Lesson to the 3rd Standard.
 24 No entry.
 25 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 28 Very favourable number present in the morning not so many in the afternoon, being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 29th Gave a Lesson on Numeration to the 2nd Standard.
 30th School as usual. No entry.
 31 Examined the 1st Standard in Reading.
- Nov 1st Nothing particular happened to record to day.
 4th Admitted two children in the Juvenile room.
 5 Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 6th Examined Standard II in Reading. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 7th School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 8th Examined children in Scripture generally.
 11th Very favourable number present both morning and afternoon. Admitted one little girl, (Maria VENTIN) in the Infant Section.
 12 Nothing particular to report to day.
 13 Gave Lesson in Subtraction to the third Standard.
 14 Not so many children present as at the commencement of the week owing to the inclemency (*sic*) of the weather.
 15 The Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN kindly gave the children a holiday to allow me to go to Bath.
 18 Very good attendance both morning and afternoon. Mrs and Miss [Catherine] STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon and brought the children some needle-work.
 19 Nothing particular to report to day.
 20 Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic.
 21st School as usual. A smaller number present than at the beginning of the week.
 22nd Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 25th Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school and made the necessary preparations for a meeting which was to be held in the evening in behalf of the Church Pastoral Aid Society.
 26 Nothing particular to report to day.
 27 Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the Afternoon, and made enquiries respecting a boy who had misbehaved himself the preceding day.
 28 No entry.
 29 Examined the children on the Catechism. Progress satisfactory.
- Dec 2nd Fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 3rd No entry.
 4 Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic.
 5 Not so many children present as at the beginning of the week on account of the severity of the weather.
 6 Nothing particular to report to day.
 9th Admitted one little girl in the Juvenile Section.
 10 Nothing particular to report to day.
 11 Examined Standard IV in Reading. Progress vey fair.
 12 School as usual
 13 Rev'nd E.C. and Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
 16th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 17 School as usual, nothing particular to report to day.
 18 Not so many children present as at the beginning of the week.
 19th Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.

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 Dec 20th Dismissed the children for the usual Christmas Vacation. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN came to school in the morning and questioned the children on the Catechism.
- 1868
 Jan 6th Reassembling of the children after the Christmas Vacation. Very fair attendance.
 7 Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
 8 School as usual. Mrs and Miss STREETEN brought some tickets to distribute amongst the children, to admit them to the treat.
 9 Nothing particular to report to day.
 10 Holiday. The Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN very kindly gave the children a treat on this day.
 13 Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 14 Examined the children in Scripture generally.
 15 School as usual. No entry.
 16 Examined Standard I in Reading.
 17 Very few children present on account of the inclemency of the weather.
 20th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 21 School as usual, nothing particular to report to day.
 22 Not so many children present as at the beginning of the week, owing to the inclemency of the weather.
 23 School as usual. No entry.
 24 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 27th Very good attendance. Readmitted one little girl after a long absence.
 28 Examined the children in Catechism generally. Progress satisfactory.
 29 No entry.
 30 Examined Standard III in Reading.
 31st Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
- Feb 3rd Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 4 School as usual. No entry.
 5 Examined Standard IV in Mental Arithmetic. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 6 No entry.
 7th Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 10 Admitted two children in the Infant room. Very good Attendance.
 11 Nothing particular to report to day.
 12 Examined Standard II in Reading.
 13 Gave a Lesson to the first Standard in Simple Addition. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school, bringing with him some slates, pencils, etc. for the children.
 14 Nothing particular to report to day.
 17th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon.
 18 Nothing particular to report to day. School as usual.
 19 Not so many children present as at the beginning of the week, owing to the inclemency of the weather.
 20 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards III and IV.
 21 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 24th Not so many children present as usual owing to the inclemency of the weather.
 25 Gave a lesson to the 4th Standard in Compound Division.
 26 This day being Ash Wednesday Divine Service was held in the Church at 11 A M., after which a half holiday was given to the children by the Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN.
 27 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 28 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
- Mar 2nd Very fair number of children present both morning and afternoon.
 3 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 4 Examined Standard II in Arithmetic. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 5 No entry.
 6 Examined the children in the Catechism generally.
 9th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon. Admitted two children, Elizabeth and William PERRY, one in the Juvenile and the other in the Infant Section.
 10 School as usual. No entry.
 11 Very few children present owing to the inclemency of the weather.
 12 The weather still very unsettled therefore not so many children present as usual.
 13 Nothing particular to report to day.

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- Mar 16th Very fair attendance.
 17 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 18 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards III & IV. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 19 School as usual.
 20 Examined Standard II in Reading.
 23rd Very fair Number present both Morning and Afternoon.
 24 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 25 Examined Standard III in Arithmetic. Progress fair.
 26 No entry.
 27 Examined Standard I on the first portion of the Catechism.
 30th Admitted one little boy, Charles STICKLER [STICKLAND], in the Infant section.
 31 Nothing particular to report to day.
- Apr 1st Gave a Lesson to the 4th Standard in Compound Division. Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the school in the Afternoon and promised to bring some work for the children.
 2nd Not so many children present as usual, being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 3rd Numbers still very small. Nothing particular to report to day.
 6th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 7 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 8 Examined Standard III in Arithmetic. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 9 Examined the younger children on the Catechism.
 10th This day being Good Friday, Divine Service was held in the Church at the usual hour. Sermon preached by the Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN.
 13 Very fair number present in the morning not quite so many in the afternoon.
 14 Not many children present, being detained by their parents to assist with the gardening.
 15 Nothing particular to report to day. Numbers very small, especially in the afternoon.
 16 School as usual.
 17 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 20th Not so many children present, on account of the inclemency of the weather; admitted two little girls one in Infant room and the other in the Juvenile Section.
 21 School as usual. No entry.
 22 A more favourable number present to day.
 23 Nothing particular to report to day.
 24 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction.
 27th Not so many children present; the weather being remarkably fine they were detained by their parents to assist in the garden.
 28 Still a very small school.
 29 Nothing particular to report to day.
 30 School as usual
- May 1st Examined Standard I in Reading, very unsatisfactory.
 4th A much larger number present this week than the preceeding.
 5 School as usual. No entry.
 6 Gave a Dictation Lesson to Standards III and IV.
 7 One of the boys very unruly. Obligated to call the assistance of the Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN, who punished him as an example for the other boys.
 8 Examined the children in the Catechism generally.
 11th Very good attendance, admitted one little boy (Henry JAMES) in the Juvenile room.
 12 Gave an Arithmetic Lesson to the second Standard.
 13 School as usual. No entry.
 14 Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school.
 15th Nothing particular to report to day. School as usual.
 18th Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the school and examined some of the children in reading.
 19th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 20 Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN brought the children some slates, pencils, reading cards etc.
 21 Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the school and assisted us in teaching.
 22 Nothing particular to report to day. Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 25 Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 26th Examined Standard I in Reading. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
 27 Mrs and Miss STREETEN called in the afternoon and looked at the children's lessons.

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- May 28 Mrs & Miss STREETEN visited the school and assisted with the teaching.
 29 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week, and dismissal of the children for the usual Whitsuntide Vacation.
- Jun 8 Recommencement of school duties, very fair number present both morning and afternoon. Admitted two children in the Infant room.
 9th Miss STREETEN visited the school and gave a Scripture Lesson to the Upper Section.
 10 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 11 Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the morning and assisted with the teaching.
 12 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction, very few children present in the Afternoon.
 15 Not so many children present as usual, the hay-making having commenced.
 16 School as usual, nothing particular to report to day.
 17 Examined Standard III in Arithmetic, progress rather unsatisfactory. Miss STREETEN visited the school and Examined the Second Standard in Reading and found a little improvement.
 18 Examined Standards three and five in Reading.
 19 Very few children present. Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 22nd Rather more children present in the morning, and afternoon. Admitted two little girls (Mary CARTER) in the Juvenile room and (Sarah Ann EVANS) in the Infant Section.
 23 Gave a Dictation Lesson to the third and fourth Standards.
 24 A Young friend from Bath with my Mother came and assisted with the teaching for the remainder of the week. Miss STREETEN also examined the third and fourth classes in Reading.
 25 School as usual.
 26 Required the first Standard to put down all their capital and small letters, which they did fairly.
 29 Very fair Number of children present considering the time of the year being harvest.
 30 Miss STREETEN visited the school and assisted with the teaching. Mrs STREETEN also heard the reading of the second Standard.
- Jul 1st Examined Standard IV in Arithmetic. Progress unsatisfactory. Miss STREETEN again visited the school and assisted with the teaching. Also Mrs STREETEN. The Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN brought some paper for the children's dictation.
 2nd Examined the 1st Standard in Reading. Progress more satisfactory. Miss STREETEN visited the school and again assisted with the teaching.
 3rd Not as many children present. Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
 6th Very fair Numbers of Children present. Admitted one little boy in the Infant Section.
 7th Examined Standard II in Reading. Progress fair. Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the school.
 8 Nothing particular to report to day.
 9 Miss STREETEN visited the School and again assisted with the teaching. Examined the 2nd Standard in Arithmetic.
 10th Miss STREETEN came to school in the morning and assisted with the teaching, also Mrs STREETEN. In the Afternoon Miss STREETEN came and examined the children's needlework.
 13th Very large school both morning and afternoon. Admitted three children, George JAMES & Henry PIKE in the Juvenile room and Alice CLIFT in the Infant room.
 14 Readmitted one little girl (Maria BRIMBLE) in the Infant room. Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
 15th Examined Standard III in Reading. Progress not very satisfactory.
 16 Examined the children in Catechism generally.
 17 Still a very large number of children present. Examined the writing and figures of the 1st Standard. Progress much more satisfactory.
 20 A large number of children present. Admitted one little girl, Amelia VENTIN in the Infant Room. Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the morning and assisted with the teaching.
- 1868 Jul 21. Chief Teacher Emily COLLIER, Probationer, 4th class, 1st grade. Assisting Teacher Martha COLLINS. H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.
- Jul 22nd School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
 23 A very favourable number of children present. Gave a Lesson on Compound Addition to the 4th Standard.
 24 Gave a Reading Lesson to the Second Standard. Dismissal of the children for the usual Midsummer Vacation.
- Aug 17th Reassembling of the children after the Midsummer Vacation. Very fair number present, both morning and afternoon.

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- Aug 18 Examined the children on the Catechism generally. Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 3rd and 4th Standards, on paper. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
- 19 Not so many children present as usual owing to the inclemency of the weather.
- 20 Nothing particular to report to day.
- 21 Gave a Reading Lesson to the third Standard.
- 24th Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 4th and 5th Standards on paper.
- 25th Readmitted one little girl, Hannah CARTER in the Juvenile room.
- 26 Gave a Lesson on Multiplication to the 2nd Standard. Miss STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
- 27 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
- 28 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
- 31st A very favourable number of children present both morning and afternoon. Miss STREETEN visited the school with another lady, in the afternoon.
- Sep 1st Gave a Reading Lesson to the First Standard.
- 2 Very few children present in the afternoon on account of the Flower Show at Timsbury.
- 3 Gave a Lesson on Numeration to the second Standard.
- 4 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
- 7th Very fair number of children present both morning and afternoon.
- 8 Miss STREETEN visited the school in the morning and heard the children sing.
- 9th School Treat. The Sunday and day Scholars assembled in the schoolroom at 4 P.M. and then marched to the Vicarage, where a very nice tea was provided for them. After sports in the adjoining field the children were reassembled upon the lawn and prizes were distributed.
- 10th Gave a dictation lesson to the 3rd and 4th Standards. A little improvement in the spelling.
- 11 Recapitulation of Scriptural Instruction given during the week.
- 14 Not so many children present as usual.

H.M. Inspector's Report. "The discipline is very fair. Holy Scripture - of 79 questions 30 were answered by the Scholars to whom they were addressed. Catechism 26 of 52. Of 37 qualified children all were examined. The percentage of passes is considerably higher than it was last year, but the Reading of the second and third, the Arithmetic of the second, fourth, and fifth standards and the Spelling want attention. The little ones are making very fair progress". My Lords will expect a larger proportion of children presented above the third standard next year. The Ninth Supplementary Rule must not be evaded by making the first class disproportionately small. The Mistress will shortly receive her Certificate". Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

- Sep 15 Gave a Reading Lesson to the 3rd Standard. Progress rather more satisfactory.
- 16th Still a very small number of children present. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
- 17 Examined the third Standard in Arithmetic. Progress rather unsatisfactory.
- 18 Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning and Mrs STREETEN in the afternoon.
- 21 A fair number of children present. Admitted two little boys, Luther RAPPS and George STICKLER [STICKLAND], in the Infant room. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
- 22nd School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
- 23 Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the morning with Miss STREETEN and assisted with the teaching.
- 24 Very small number of children present to day.
- 25 School as usual. Weather very wet.
- 28th Not many children present owing to the inclemency of the weather.
- 29 School as usual. No entry.
- 30 Half holiday given. Preparations being made for Miss SCOBELL's Wedding which took place the following day. [Frances Sanford SCOBELL married William Andrew CRAWFORD]
- Oct 1st A whole holiday given.
- 2nd School Duties as usual.
- 5th Very few children present to day.
- 6th Gave a Lesson to the 2nd Standard.
- 7th Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
- 8th Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 4th Standard.
- 9 Nothing particular to report to day.

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- Oct 12th Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN gave me permission to go to Bath. Left Miss COLLINS in charge of the school.
- 13 Mrs STREETEN visited the school in the afternoon.
- 14 Examined the 1st Standard in making their Capital Letters.
- 15 Gave a Reading Lesson to the 1st Standard.
- 16 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
- 18th Very few children present to day, being required by their parents to assist with the gardening.
- 19 School as usual. Still a very small number of children present. Miss STREETEN visited the school in the morning and heard the children sing.
- 21st Half Holiday, as a Missionary Meeting was held in the schoolroom in the evening.
- 22nd Gave a Lesson on Simple Division to the 3rd Standard.
- 23rd Gave a Lesson to the Infants on "Love to Parents" in the presence of the Inspector and the Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN.
- 26th Much more favourable number of the children present both morning and afternoon.
- 27 Gave a Reading Lesson to the 1st Standard.
- 28 Nothing particular to report to day.
- 29 Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 4th Standard.
- 30 Not so many children present as at the beginning of the week.
- Nov 2nd A favourable number of children present; admitted one little boy in the Infant Room.
- 3rd Gave a Dictation Lesson to the 3rd Standard.
- 4 Very few children present on account of the inclemency of the weather.
- 5th Nothing particular to report to day.
- 6th Gave a Lesson on Division to the 3rd Standard.
- 9th Very fair attendance both morning and Afternoon.
- 10 Examined children on the Catechism generally.
- 11 School as usual. Nothing particular to report to day.
- 12 Not so many children present to day. Rev'nd E.C. STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
- Nov 16. Miss Emily COLLIER, Mistress, and Miss Martha COLLINS, Assistant Mistress having left, Mrs Marianne E.S. JONES has been appointed Mistress of this School and Mr John Erasmus JONES Assistant Master. They have commenced their duties this day. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.
- Nov 16th Mr JONES and myself commenced duty as Master and Mistress of this School; the Rev. E.C. STREETEN opened School in the morning; present 75; present in the afternoon 72. Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon and brought some needlework.
- 17th 81 present A.M., 82 P.M.
- 18th The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the morning. 79 present A.M., 78 P.M.
- 19th Nothing unusual happened.
- 20th Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the afternoon. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 23rd Monday. Captain SCOBELL visited the school for a few minutes in the morning. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the afternoon, also Mrs and Miss STREETEN.
- 24th The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon.
- 25th Nothing unusual happened.
- 26th No special report.
- 27th Being extremely unwell, Miss STREETEN kindly took charge of the School in the afternoon in order that I may remain at home. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 30th Monday. Admitted Emma DIX.
- Dec 1st Tuesday. No special report.
- 2nd Usual routine of School Business.
- 3rd Ordinary work
- 4th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 7th Monday. School as usual.
- 8th Returned some work to Mrs STREETEN and received a little more.
- 9th School as usual in the morning. Reprimanded E. RAPPS and Annie NORRIS for romping and otherwise misbehaving themselves during the dinner hour.
- 10th School as usual.
- 11th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 14th Monday. No special report.
- 15th No special report.

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- Dec 16th School unusually small in the afternoon owing to a very heavy storm of rain and hail at 2 o'clock.
 17th Ordinary routine School work.
 18th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 21st Monday. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the afternoon, received a little work from Mrs STREETEN.
 22 Ordinary routine.
 23rd Closed school for the Christmas vacation. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jan 11th Recommenced School. Admitted and readmitted 11 children. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN present when Mr JONES opened the School.
 12th Ordinary School work.
 13th Nothing unusual happened.
 14th No special Report.
 15th No special Report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 18th Monday. Admitted Caroline EVANS, and E'th CHIVERS. Captain SCOBELL visited the School for a short time in the afternoon.
 19 No special report.
 20th Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the school in the morning.
 21st No special report.
 22nd Ordinary routine. - M.E.S. JONES.
 25th Monday. No special business.
 26 Mrs and Miss Streeten visited the school for some time in the morning.
 27th No special report.
 28th School as usual.
 29th Same report as yesterday. - M.E.S. JONES.
 Feb 1st Monday. No special report.
 2nd Ordinary routine.
 3rd School as usual.
 4th Miss STREETEN took a class in the upper room after recreation, in the morning.
 5th School rather small in the morning, much larger in the afternoon, the Library books being a great inducement for the attendance of the bigger girls and boys. - M.E.S. JONES.
 8th Monday. Weather very inclement, attendance rather small.
 9th Still very heavy rain and hail - infant department small. Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon.
 10th Ash Wednesday, took the children to Church in the morning - did not give the usual half holiday in the afternoon; as the weather was very rough and wet it was thought desirable to request Rev. E.C. STREETEN to sanction it's being given at some future day. The attendance was very small p.m.
 11th Annie LEWIS did not write on her copy book, she having entered the schoolroom at 11.13 being 2 minutes before the ending of the writing lesson. Miss STREETEN visited the School for a few minutes in the afternoon, brought a Hymn for the children to learn. Sent home some work to Mrs STREETEN.
 12th School extremely small in the morning especially, the rain being incessant. - M.E.S. JONES.
 15th Monday. Admitted Hannah STICKLAND, in the room of her sister Mary, and Henry FRICKER. Attendance large both morning and afternoon. Miss STREETEN visited both Schools for a short time in the afternoon.
 16th School not quite so large as yesterday. Miss STREETEN visited the upper School in the morning and took a class in reading; expressed herself much pleased with the improvement which had taken place in the children.
 17 Ordinary routine.
 18th No special report.
 19th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 22nd Monday. Complained to Mrs DICKS [DIX] of the late attendance of her children and enquired of certain notes they had brought requesting permission to leave school early, in the one case it was their own fault, in the other she was quite ignorant of the writing of the notes. Hep. CURTIS expected by her Mother to be sick. Annie LEWIS not likely to attend for the week, being at work in the potatoe field.
 23rd Ordinary routine. James YOUNG reported to be at work with his father.

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- Feb 24 No special report.
- 25th Miss STREETEN visited the School from 11.20 to 12.30 A.M. took a reading class in the Upper School. George BRIMBLE absented himself after playtime, his Master having slightly corrected him for incessant talking. Weather extremely wet, the attendance consequently small. No special report. - M.E.S.JONES.
- Mar 1st Monday. Several children report sick. G. BRIMBLE who absented himself on Thursday and Friday returned to School and behaved very fairly.
- 2nd Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the Upper School for a short time in the afternoon.
- 3rd The School small, weather intensely cold. Work extremely slack in the village, in one case (and doubtless not a solitary one) when I enquired why other children of the family were absent, I was told the parents could not afford to send them to School.
- 4th Ordinary routine. 5 children absent in the afternoon, viz. Caroline, Emma, and James EVANS, and H. and E. MAGGS, to see a pig belonging to EVANS' parents killed.
- 5th Mrs STREETEN visited the Upper School in the morning, took the 1st class in Reading. School small. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 8th Monday. School larger than last Monday.
- 9th Miss STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon bringing 4 borders to be hemmed. E'd HARRISON caned in the morning by his Master for impertinence, his general behaviour in the School being pert & insolent.
- 10th Austin JAMES absent from his Master's early Lessons, in consequence of his having been locked in the Committee room for a short time yesterday afternoon.
- 11th Miss STREETEN visited the Upper School in the Morning, heard the 1st and 2nd classes read, also was in the Infant and Girls department for a short time in the afternoon.
- 12th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 16th [15th] Monday. Admitted two children, Elizabeth PERRY in the Upper School, and Martha BAKER in the Infant department. E'th CHIVERS not present at her Master's early lessons, her Father's donkey having strayed, she and her brother had to seek it.
- 17th [16th] Mary NORRIS refused to take her turn in sweeping the room.
- 18th [17th] Miss STREETEN brought a little work.
- 19th [18th] Miss STREETEN took a reading class in the Upper School in the morning.
- 20th [19th] No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 22nd Monday. Admitted Caroline CURTIS in the Infants room.
- 23 No special report.
- 24 School small, several children away helping their parents in their gardens; in this village this employment is not confined to the boys, the girls seem to take a large share of the garden labour.
- 25 Mrs STREETEN visited the Infant room in the morning, heard me give an Arithmetic lesson, and Reading lesson to the highest class, and singing lesson to all the infants. Expressed herself much pleased with the order and school songs, also with the Arithmetic Lesson. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 29th Weather intensely cold with heavy snow storms, this, & the going on of gardening operations made the school unusually small to day. Being Easter Monday, School was dismissed at 4 p.m.
- 30th No special report.
- 31st Miss STREETEN took a reading class in the Upper School in the morning.
- Apr 1st The weather having broken up fine, gardening operations thinned the School extremely.
- 2nd No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 5th Monday. Readmitted William COLLINS, an infant; the Upper School smaller even than last week, the number in the Infant School rather better.
- 6th No special report.
- 7th School extremely small owing to gardening operations. Several children are also reported "Sick".
- 8th No special report.
- 9 No special report. School extremely small. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 12th Monday. School extremely small. Miss STREETEN brought a very little work in the afternoon.
- 13 No special report. The weather being today as for the last three days very hot. Several of the Infants did not return to school in the afternoon.
- 14th No special report.
- 15th No special report. School very small in both departments. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 19th Monday. G. STICKLAND, and Henrietta DANDO who were poorly last week returned to School, also S.A. EVANS who had been engaged in gardening operations.

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- Apr 20th E'th CHIVERS returned to school after a week's indisposition and Rosa JAMES after a longer sickness.
- 21st Ordinary routine. George WILKINS gone to the Orphan Asylum, Horsley Down.
- 22nd No special report.
- 23rd School very small. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 26th Monday. Many of the children who had been absent on account of gardening returned to School. Admitted 4 children, viz. E'th CARTER, Georgina CHIVERS & E'd Charles BRIMBLE and Charles STICKLAND, the last three being infants.
- 27 The Diocesan Inspector paid the Schools an unexpected visit in the afternoon with the Rev. E.C. STREETEN. A Wedding at the Church in the morning appeared to interfere with the attendance, several of the children being in the road until after the ceremony when it was too late for them to attend School.
- 28th No special report today.
- 29th Assisted in the Upper School during the Arithmetic lessons with special reference to the approaching Examination. Found the children extremely below their respective standards; it would appear that the elements of Arithmetic had been entirely omitted, tho' without doubt their irregular attendance, which I should think unparallelled, accounts in great part for the backwardness of the children.
- 31st No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- May 3rd Admitted 4 children in the Infant department, viz. Eliza DIX aged 2y. 4m., Charles JAMES, E'th EVANS and Mercy BRIMBLE (readmitted).
- 4th Extremely wet, the School consequently very small compared with yesterday. Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the afternoon, brought a pair of list Stays for the children to make.
- 5th No special report.
- 6th Ascension. Miss STREETEN visited the School for sometime in the morning, heard the Infant Section sing several pieces, and recapitulate the Scripture lesson of the day, the subject being the Ascension of our Blessed Lord.
- 7th Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School for a short time in the afternoon. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 10th Monday. Annie DOLEMAN, and Jeremiah LEWIS came to School at 10.40. A.M. Albert and E'th EVANS, and W'm DIX came to School at 3.30. P.M. Readmitted Eliza CARTER.
- 11th Henrietta MAGGS, who has been sick for many weeks, dead [buried 16 May aged 6].
- 12 No special report today.
- 13th Ordinary routine.
- 14th School dismissed for the Whitsuntide holiday. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 24th Monday. Reassembled after a week's holiday. Attendance fair, tho' several children are not returned to School, it being the custom for them and their parents to attend at the Clubs in the neighbouring parishes. Admitted Henry CLEAVES aged 12, Georgina CLEAVES aged 9, Fred. EVANS and M.A. CARTER. Omitted the names of E'th CARTER (who has left the village) and M.A. TUCKER, from the Register.
- 25th Mrs STREETEN visited the school for a short time in the morning, but being taken with a violent headache was unable to take a class.
- 26th No unusual occurrences.
- 27th No special report.
- 28th During the day rain fell so heavily that not one third of the proper number of children were able to attend School, the average for the week consequently is reduced considerably. - M.E.S. JONES. 31st Monday. Omitted the names of several children from the Registers, who from various causes have not attended for 3 or 4 weeks.
- Jun 1st Readmitted George BRIMBLE, a boy of good size, but in attainment not fit for the upper class of the Infant School. Miss STREETEN took the 2nd class of the Juvenile department in the morning, from 11.15 to 12.25 in reading and arithmetic.
- 2nd Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon and brought some work to be done by the best workers for the Examination.
- 3rd Miss STREETEN called at the School and requested that some more work may be sent for.
- 4th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 7th Monday. Intensely hot. Admitted - PIKE aged -, Abner DIX aged 2.3 months, Luther RAPPS aged 2, Georgina CLEAVES aged 9. 10 months and readmitted George CARTER. The School has been much smaller than it was last Monday, the children being employed in weeding and other gardening operations. Left out the names of F. JAMES and Eliza RAPPS from the 4th Class register, both girls having been absent more than the fortnight specified by the Revised Code.

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- Jun 8th Miss STREETEN visited the juvenile department of the School from 11.15 to 12.30 A.M. Mrs STREETEN kindly assisted with the needlework all the afternoon, Miss STREETEN having found me extremely poorly before leaving in the morning.
- 9th Several of the boys absent gardening and hay making.
- 10th No special report.
- 11th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 14th Monday. Admitted M.J. TAYLOR, in the Juvenile department, aged 10 years and Maria BRIMBLE in the infant room aged 4. Received some needles for School from Mrs STREETEN.
- 15th School very full. In the afternoon 32 girls were present in the needlework class, and a very full class of infants; to the former class it is impossible to do justice as regards their needlework without some assistance, there being scarcely one more forward than another, and if any girl is more advanced, her Mother is of course desirous of her bringing work for the family. 16th Austin JAMES saucy, for which I caned him, whereupon he attempted to run from the room and when detained by his Master threw himself on the floor, afterwards using much impertinence.
- 17 No special report. Austin JAMES at School in good time and subdued in manner. Albert HANNEY troublesome at Scripture Lesson.
- 18th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 21st Monday. Mrs STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon to inspect the work prepared for H.M.I.
- 22nd Miss STREETEN visited the School in the morning from 11.15 to 12.30 and assisted in the reading classes. Work in the hayfields interferes with the children's attendance in many families as much as the gardening operations some weeks since.
- 23rd Attendance not large from the same cause as yesterday. Louisa DIX a child 8 years old reported to be gone to service.
- 24th Several children kept in for coming late to School. Charles CURTIS, one who had to be kept in in the morning, ran away and did not appear at afternoon school.
- 25th No special report.
- 28th Monday. School very small, very many of the children being required to carry their parents food to the hayfields, some at two or three miles distance, several others away attending the Anniversary at the Wesleyan Meeting house. Admitted Emma CLEAVES aged 5 years in the Infant department. George, Henry and Fred. CARTER away owing to the expected death of their Mother [*Mary Ann CARTER bur. 11 Jul aged 43*]. Rev. E.C. STREETEN announced that he had received the Gov. papers.
- 29th School wretchedly small, which at this season of the year is most discouraging.
- 30th Several children kept in after morning School for being late.
- Jul 1st No special report.
- 2nd Miss STREETEN took the 2nd Class in reading after 11.15. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 5th Monday. The Registers for the new Gov. year being commenced, the names of nine children whose attendance had been most unsatisfactory for some time past were omitted. M.J. TAYLOR left, having gone to a private school opened this day in the village, in the room of Miss NAISH lately married. Attendance far more satisfactory than last Monday.
- 6th Tuesday. School rather smaller in the morning than yesterday, there being a drizzling rain falling. Readmitted Mary NORRIS aged 11y 11m, in the Juvenile department.
- 7th Annie CARTER away, her Mother being with the family of her Aunt who died yesterday. M.A. WILKINS away minding the house of her Aunt who is with the family of Mr MOORE who died on Sunday [*John MOORE bur. 8 Jul aged 58*].
- 8th No special report.
- 9th Ordinary School work. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 12th Monday. Readmitted Thirza NORRIS who left some time since owing to illness, also Eliza DIX, also admitted Sally WEEKS, and Frederic BRIMBLE, all in the infant department.
- 13th Enos VENTIN returned to school after several weeks absence haymaking.
- 14th E'th CHIVERS and Joyce RAPPS having scattered flower leaves and shreds of paper on the schoolroom floor, were required to sweep the room; the former gave some little trouble by not doing it properly until the fourth or fifth time. Miss STREETEN visited the School in the morning from 11.15 to 12.30, heard the 2nd class read in Secular reading book, and the 1st in Geography and gave them an elementary lesson on that subject, with their reading.
- 15th No special report. Examined the 1st Standard in Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic, in the two first subjects their improvement was very satisfactory, the last not quite so strong.
- 16th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jul 19th Monday. Readmitted Caroline EVANS in the Juvenile room, also admitted Willie CURTIS and Elijah WYATT in the Infant room, each aged 5 years. Mrs STREETEN visited the School in the morning, sat in the room while I heard the 2nd class read and gave them an Arithmetic lesson in Addition and Subtraction as far as 10s of 1000s and in writing the Multiplication Table from memory. Mrs STREETEN expressed herself extremely pleased with the progress the class had made since she last heard them.
- 20th Mary NORRIS very obstinate about sweeping the girls' room in her turn - not the first offence of the kind.
- 21st No special report.
- 22nd Nothing unusual to record.
- 23rd No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.

1869 July 26. Chief Teacher Marianne E.S. JONES, 3rd degree, 1st division. Assisting Master John Erasmus JONES, not qualified. H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.

- Jul 27th Tuesday. 12 Girls kept in for late attendance in the afternoon. Miss STREETEN came in for a few minutes in the morning during the singing lesson in the Infant department.
- 28th Miss STREETEN visited the Upper School from 11.55 to 12.30, took the 1st class in their Geography reading lesson.
- 29th Rev. E.C. STREETEN came into the School at 11 A.M. to decide about the Midsummer holidays. Henry EVANS ran out of the School ground at 11 o'clock and remained running about the road until after 12. His mother [Eliza EVANS] came to Mr JONES during the dinner hour saying she would not have him caned in the afternoon for his conduct as he had been required to go to coalpit; the boy was at School in the afternoon without the slightest appearance of the pit about him. E. and F. BRIMBLE and A. and E. EVANS absent in the cornfields in the afternoon.
- 30th Closed School for the Midsummer Vacation. - M.E.S. JONES.

1869 August 16. H.M.(S.) Inspector's Report. "The discipline is defective. Holy Scripture - of 101 questions only 27 were answered by the scholars to whom they were addressed. Catechism, 13 of 38. Of 45 qualified children 42 were examined. The general result was unsatisfactory, especially in Spelling and Arithmetic. The present Teachers have not been long in charge. The Infant Department is going on fairly". My Lords have, acting on the Inspector's recommendation, allowed an un-reduced Grant to the School, but they have done so with much hesitation, and will expect great improvement from the services of the new Teacher. Edm'd C STREETEN, Secretary.

- Aug 16 Reassembled School after the Midsummer vacation. Attendance fair considering that the Harvest is not finished, and that Potatoe digging has commenced at a period almost two months earlier than usual.
- 17 Ordinary routine.
- 18th No unusual occurrence.
- 19 School small; many children away picking up potatoes.
- 20th Ordinary School duties. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 23rd Monday. School larger. Readmitted Louisa DIX aged 8 years. Miss STREETEN visited the school in the morning and heard the children sing some pieces.
- 24th School treat at the Vicarage.
- 25th I was so unwell that it was impossible to return to School in the afternoon. Mr JONES took the 1st class of the Infant department into the Juvenile room, and Fanny MAGGS assisted with the Infants in their room.
- 26 School not so large, potatoe digging being in full operation.
- 27 School very small. No other special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 30th Monday. Ordinary school duties.
- 31st School as usual.
- Sep 1st The same unbroken routine as usual.
- 2nd School very small, the Harvest Thanksgiving and Flower show at Paulton drawing off many children who had been attending during the week. Mrs STREETEN visited the Schoolroom in both departments in the afternoon, expressed her satisfaction at the improvement of discipline in the Juvenile room.
- 3rd No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Sep 6th Monday. Readmitted Eliza RAPPS in the Juvenile room, admitted Annie NORRIS aged 5 years in the Infant department.
- 7th Eliza RAPPS fetched from School in the afternoon respecting some money lost at home.
- 8th No entry.
- 9th Miss STREETEN took a reading class in the Upper School in the latter part of the morning.
- 10th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 13th Monday. Attendance in the morning very fair, not so good in the afternoon, the weather having become such a hurricane of wind and rain that it was almost dangerous for any one to be out. Miss STREETEN took a part of the 3rd Class in reading after 11.15 A.M. Elijah WYATT not present, reported to have had his arm broken while swinging from a tree. Readmitted Louisa and Charles NORRIS.
- 14th Miss STREETEN took the 3rd class in Arithmetic after 11.15 A.M.
- 15th Nothing unusual happened in School.
- 16 Miss STREETEN took a class in the Juvenile room at 11.15.
- 17 Average for the week 74. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 20th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.30 to 12.10 A.M.
- 21st Miss STREETEN took a reading class in the Juvenile department from 11.15 to 12 A.M.
- 22nd Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.30 to 12 A.M.
- 23rd No special report today.
- 24 Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 27th Monday. Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12 A.M. Readmitted Annie and Mina LEWIS, left out the names of Charles JAMES, who was accidentally drowned yesterday and Willie COLLINS who has returned home to Bath.
- 28th Rev. E.C. STREETEN called at the Juvenile room to request that the children might have half holiday for the room to be prepared for a Missionary Meeting in the evening; he also visited the Infant department for about 10 minutes.
- 29th Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 11. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN came in after School P.M. with an invitation for 20 of the elder, from Mrs [Hester] SCOBELL to drink tea at Kingwell, it being the anniversary of [her niece] Miss SCOBELL's wedding.
- 30th Miss STREETEN took a class in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30 A.M.
- Oct 1st Friday. Half holiday P.M. 20 of the Day and Sunday School going to Kingwell to a treat given by Mrs CRAWFORD [nee Frances SCOBELL].
- 4th Monday. Reassembled School. Miss STREETEN took a class in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.30.
- 5th Miss STREETEN took a class in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.25 A.M.
- 6th Wednesday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12 A.M.
- 7th No special report today.
- 8th Mrs STREETEN took a class in Church Catechism from 10.15 to 11 and Miss STREETEN assisted from 11.15 to 12.30 in the Juvenile department. Miss STREETEN brought some calico in the afternoon for the children to learn to work upon. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 11th Monday. Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.15 A.M.
- 12th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30 A.M. Mrs and Miss STREETEN brought 3 pairs of knitting needles in the afternoon.
- 13 Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.30 A.M.
- 14th No unusual occurrence to record today.
- 15th Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile department from 11.30 to 12 A.M. Left the Infant room in charge of my niece at 3 p.m. to meet a Gentleman at home. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 18th Monday. Admitted Rachel BLANNING aged 8, William BLANNING aged 7 and James BLANNING aged 5 all in the Infant department. Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30.
- 19th Nothing unusual happened.
- 20th Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 12.30 A.M.
- 21st Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 11.20 to 12.30 A.M.
- 22 Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile department from 11.20 to 12 A.M. Mrs STREETEN previously took the 1st class in church Catechism. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 25th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.30 A.M. Admitted Sarah JAMES aged 12 in the J.D. and Tom CURTIS aged 2 in the Infant room.
- 26 No unusual occurrences today.
- 27 Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.30 A.M. School smaller than yesterday; heavy snow storms falling in the morning which thinned the infant classes.

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- Oct 28th Thursday. Heavy snow storm in the morning so that many infants were not present. No other special report.
- 29th Mrs STREETEN took the 1st class in the Juvenile room from 10.30 to 11 A.M. in Church Cat[echism]. Miss STREETEN assisted there from 11.20 to 12.30. - M.E.S. JONES.
- Nov 1st Three children (BLANNINs [Rachel, William & James BLANNING]) withdrawn, the girl having told her Mother no fire was lighted in the Schoolroom.
- 2nd No special report.
- 3rd No special report.
- 4th No special report.
- 5th No unusual occurrence. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 8th Monday. Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile deptment from 10.15 to 12 A.M.
- 9th No special report.
- 10th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12 A.M.
- 11th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30. Few infants present, the morning being very cold and frosty.
- 12th Friday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 12 A.M. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 15th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.15 to 12.30 A.M. Readmitted Frances JAMES for needlework in the afternoon.
- 16th Albert VENTIN and Austin JAMES very troublesome in the morning, the latter kicking his Master's legs and arms, and making use of very insolent and provoking language.
- 17 Miss STREETEN visited the Infant department for a few minutes, and assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.20 to 11 A.M.
- 18th Miss STREETEN was present at the Scripture lesson in the Infant department from 9.40 to 10.15 and assisted in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.
- 19 Being unable to attend School from severe indisposition, Miss STREETEN kindly assisted my daughter with the needlework in the afternoon, and also gave assistance in the School in the morning.
- 22nd Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 12 A.M.
- 23rd Rev. E. STREETEN visited the Schoolrooms in the morning for a few minutes to examine the windows, with a view to ascertaining how an entrance might have been effected by any party or parties who forced open the Master's desk on the evening of Sunday last, or before 9 o'clock yesterday.
- 24th Being too unwell to return to School in the afternoon, the Infant department was instructed by Fanny MAGGS, and S.A. EVANS, superintended by Mrs and Miss STREETEN both of whom visited the School at different times during the afternoon, the elder girls taking their needlework in the Juvenile room under the superintendence of my daughter.
- 25th No special report today.
- 26 Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 11.15 to 12.30 A.M. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 29th Monday. Miss STREETEN kindly assisted in the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 12. A.M. School very small, it being the distribution of the Club Tickets in the morning, and a heavy fall of snow in the afternoon.
- 30th Half holiday to prepare the room for a meeting of the C.P.A.S. in the evening.
- Dec 1st School small, excessively cold with fall of snow and hard frost in the night.
- 2nd School small owing to inclement weather.
- 3rd No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 6th Monday. Mr JONES readmitted Enos VENTIN, Priscilla DIX, Lydia DIX and Smith DIX, all in the Juvenile room.
- 7th School small owing to inclement weather and the prevalence of bad coughs.
- 8th George BRIMBLE being kept in to work a sum after school A.M. was fetched by his Aunt, who declared he should "not come again this week".
- 9th No special report.
- 10th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 13th Monday. School larger than last Monday rather in the morning, but at noon a drenching rain set in, so that the outer garments of several of the little ones who returned to School had to be taken off and dried.
- 14th No special report.
- 15 Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
- 16th No special report.
- 17th No special report A.M. Being very unwell did not return to School in the afternoon. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Dec 20th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10.20 to 12 A.M. School in both rooms very small.
 21st No special report.
 22nd School small; weather snowy and very cold.
 23rd Closed School for a fortnight's holiday. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jan 10th The School was reopened for School; owing to illness I was unable to attend but during my absence Mrs and Miss STREETEN attended during the day and superintended the Infant department in the morning and the needlework in the afternoon, with my daughter.
 [11th to 22nd nothing entered in Log Book.]
 24th Monday. School small owing to intense cold and the prevalence of the hooping cough.
 25 No special report.
 26 Nothing unusual happened.
 27 School as usual.
 28th Ordinary routine. - M.E.S. JONES.
 31st Monday. Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile department for a short time.
- Feb 1st No special report.
 2nd Same report as yesterday.
 3rd Nothing unusual.
 4th School as usual as regards working, the numbers very small owing to the intensely cold weather, and the prevalence of the hooping cough. - M.E.S. JONES.
 7th Monday. Weather more wintry even than last week, the School in consequence smaller.
 8th No special report.
 9th School as during the past few days.
 10th No unusual occurrence.
 11th School as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
 14th Monday. The weather has become so intensely cold that not 20 children were present in the morning; rather more P.M.
 15th A few more present than yesterday, but owing to the weather the School is very small.
 16th No special report.
 17th Same report as yesterday.
 18th No change in the weather or School. - M.E.S. JONES.
 21st Monday. Weather finer, School larger.
 22nd School as usual.
 23rd No special report.
 24th No special report.
 25th No unusual occurrence. - M.E.S. JONES.
 28th Monday. Admitted William BRICE, John WEEKS, and William WEEKS, all in the Infant Department.
- Mar 1st School work as usual.
 2nd Being Ash Wednesday the children who attended Morning School were taken to Church; holiday in the afternoon.
 3rd W'm and Tom CURTIS put in an appearance at 11.30 A.M. and were sent home again by their Master. W'm CURTIS came at ¹/₂ past 2 P.M. The Mother [Elizabeth CURTIS] has more [than] once been communicated with on account of the childrens' misconduct, but always upholds them. John VATER who mitched from School Monday and Tuesday, but who was not corrected by the parents, tho' they professed to grive (*sic*) over the boy's delinquency, was kept in at playtime and until 1.15; in the afternoon he was again absent. A stag having run through the village pursued by hounds was a great attraction to the children; several of the big boys were absent, reported by others to have followed.
 4th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 7th Monday. No special report.
 8th School as usual.
 9th School as usual.
 10th No special report.
 11th No unusual occurrence. - M.E.S. JONES.
 14th Monday. Readmitted Sarah WEEKS, and Abner DIX both in the Infant department; also admitted George WEEKS also an infant. Mrs STREETEN brought an article of flannel needlework.
 15th No special report.
 16th No special report.

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- Mar 17th Ordinary routine.
 18th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 21st Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 12, when she spent a few minutes in the Infant room. In the afternoon some of the elder boys were absent, it being the custom of the place apparently for the children to flock to an Auction should there be one in the village.
 22nd School large.
 23rd No special report.
 24th School as usual.
 25th J.L. [Barton L.J.] SCOBELL visited the school for a short time in the morning. - M.E.S. JONES.
 28th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 29th School work as usual.
 30th School large.
 31st The weather having broken, gardening operations commenced and the result was nearly 20 children less in attendance than yesterday.
- Apr 1st School small, the weather being fine. - M.E.S. JONES.
 4th Monday. School small. Admitted 3 children, viz. Emma CARTER, and Emaly [Emily] BAKER in the Infants, and Eliza TUCKER in the Juvenile department.
 5th No special report.
 6th School as usual.
 7th No special report.
 8th Miss STREETEN assisted for a short time in the Juvenile department. - M.E.S. JONES.
 11th Monday. Readmitted Henry EVANS in the Juvenile, and Arthur CHIVERS and Martha JAMES in the Infant department. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department from 10.15 to 11 A.M.
 12th No special report.
 13th No special report.
 14th No unusual occurrence.
 15th Good Friday. Holiday. - M.E.S. JONES.
 18th Smith DIX reappeared at School after 5 weeks absence.
 19 No special report.
 20 No special report.
 21st Holiday for the Infants, room to be got ready for a concert which was to be given in the evening.
 22nd School work resumed as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
 25th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department. The "Boarding out system" having been adopted by the Guardians of the Clutton Union, the following children who had been sent into the village were admitted into the School: Maria CURTIS, E'th CURTIS, Fred. LLOYD, and Charles CHARD.
 26th Admitted James, and Joseph GULLICK also children sent into the village from Clutton Union.
 27th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department.
 28th George WILKINS not present in School, his head having been broken last evening by H'y EVANS when at play in the village.
 29 No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- May 2nd Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room a portion of the morning.
 3rd No special report.
 4th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning, also brought some work for some of the children to do for the Examination in the afternoon.
 5th Having lost my voice, Miss STREETEN kindly gave the Scripture Lesson this morning in the Infant room. M.A. GULLICK admitted from Clutton Union.
 6th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 9th Monday. Readmitted William DIX, also admitted Thomas M. CLEAVES, in the Infant room, also admitted Alfred SATCHEL[L] (a boy placed out by the Clutton Board) in the Juvenile room. School very large, 98 being present in the afternoon.
 10th Last evening I visited the parents of Eliza TUCKER, Sally WEEKS, and E'th PERRY, all of whom were suspected of "mitching" [= playing truant] in Friday morning last; in the case of the two first the parents said at once that they sent the girls to School and expressed thanks for my information and interest in the children, in the case of PERRY the mother professed to have sent the girl to Paulton on a very improbable errand and the woman's manner and attendant circumstances strongly incline me to the belief that that girl also mitched. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department a short time in the morning.

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- May 11th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
 12th No special report.
 13th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room. - M.E.S. JONES.
 16th Monday. School smaller, especially in the afternoon, in consequence of the Anniversary of the Primitive dissenters.
 17th No special report.
 18th Miss STREETEN assisted for a short time in the Juvenile room.
 19th No special occurrence.
 20th School routine unbroken by any thing of unusual occurrence. - M.E.S. JONES.
 23rd Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted for a short time in the Juvenile room when she was fetched.
 24th No special report.
 25th Nothing unusual happened.
 26th No special report.
 27th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 29th [30th] Monday. School as usual.
 30th [31st] Ordinary routine.
 31st [Jun 1st] Usual work.
- Jun 1st [2nd] Ordinary routine. - M.E.S. JONES.
 13th Monday. Recommenced School after the usual Whitsun Holiday. Admitted 3 children in the Infant department, viz. Bessie JAMES, Kate RAPPS, Frances BRIMBLE. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room, and also inspected the classes in the Infant room.
 14th Mrs STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon, bringing some work for the Examination, and looking at some which was already done, with which she expressed herself much pleased.
 15th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 16th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 11 to 11.30, and then inspected the classes in the Infant room; she commended the reading of the 1st Standard and the writing of some of the children.
 17th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning. - M.E.S. JONES.
 20th Monday. Fair attendance in School considering that Haymaking has commenced and some of the children are required to take the meals of their parents who are at work in the feilds (*sic*). Readmitted Elijah WYATT, Charlotte NORRIS, and admitted Clara NORRIS, all in the Infant room.
 21st No special report.
 22nd Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 10 till 11.30 A.M.
 23rd Fred. LLOYD very troublesome in the morning, stole a cherry from a little girl and ate it, for which he was reprimanded and kept in from play, after which he showed much ill temper, and in the afternoon continued in the same naughty way. In the morning I spoke to the children respecting the stealing of a piece of patchwork which had been joined in the School, and last evening was found in one of the feilds leading to Paulton. Haymaking affects the School much.
 24th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department in the morning. - M.E.S. JONES.
 27th The measles has appeared in the village; 2 children are reported sick in them and others are absent, not at present accounted for; the haymaking also detains other children from School.
 28th No special report.
 29 Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department sometime in the morning.
 30th Mrs and Miss STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon, each taking two girls who were backward in reading.
- Jul 1st Miss STREETEN visited the School in the morning and assisted in the Juvenile room; also Mrs and Miss STREETEN came in the afternoon as yesterday. - M.E.S. JONES.
 4th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room. Mrs and Miss STREETEN assisted as last week in the afternoon. The measles much increased.
 5th 12 children reported sick in the measles. Mrs and Miss STREETEN assisted in the afternoon.
 6th Measles much increased in the village. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning; Mrs and Miss STREETEN took two girls in reading in the afternoon. Alfred SATCHELL impertinent and personally violent to his Master in the morning. Mr JONES reported him to the Rev. E.C. STREETEN, who punished him and insisted on his begging his Master's pardon.
 7th School as usual.
 8th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning. - M.E.S. JONES.
 11th Monday. School small owing to the prevalence of measles. Fruit picking and Haymaking is also interfering with the attendance. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.

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Jul 12th No special report.
 13th Miss STREETEN assisted in the School A.M.
 14th Ordinary routine.
 15th School work as usual, Miss STREETEN kindly assisting. - M.E.S. JONES.
 18th Monday. Some children returned to School who had been away sick in the measles, others have taken their places on the sick list. 33 now reported sick against 45 on Friday last. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 19th No special report.
 20th Miss STREETEN kindly assisted in the Juvenile room.
 21st No special report.
 22nd Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room and assisted in the teaching. - M.E.S. JONES.

1870 July 25. Chief Teacher Marianne E.S. JONES, 3rd degree, 1st division. Assisting Master John Erasmus JONES. H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.

Jul 26th Miss STREETEN assisted for a short time in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 27th No special report.
 28th No special report.
 29th Closed School for a fortnight's holiday. - M.E.S. JONES.

Aug't 22. H.M. Inspector's Report. "The discipline has a little improved, but still wants attention. Holy Scripture - Of 85 questions only 27 were answered by the scholars to whom they were addressed. Catechism - 25 of 50. The result of the examination in elementary subjects was not satisfactory, especially in Spelling and Arithmetic. The School has suffered from measles".
 The Grant is reduced by one tenth under Article 52(a) for faults of instruction.
 Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

[Aug 22] Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room for a short time in the morning. School attendance very good.

23rd No special report.
 24th Nothing unusual happened.
 25th School small, the Flower Show at Paulton taking away some children.
 26th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 29th Attendance very good; readmitted several children in the Infant department. Removed the names of Mary NORRIS, gone to work, Emma NORRIS, wanted at home, and several other children who had been absent without sufficient cause more than the fortnight specified by the Revised Code. George CARTER (No 1) saucy to Mr JONES when desired to stand out of his class for improper behaviour. G. CARTER saucy, and violent to me when desired to sit down in his class, trying to kick and threatening "to bring a stone tomorrow" to chastise me with.
 30th No special report.
 31st No special report.
 Sep 1st No special report.
 2nd Nothing unusual happened. - M.E.S. JONES.
 5th Monday. No special report.
 6th Ordinary routine.
 7th Usual School work.
 8th Nothing unusual happened.
 9th Same unbroken routine.
 12th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 13th School as usual.
 14th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 15th No special report.
 16th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 19th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 20th Nothing unusual happened.
 21st No special report.
 22nd No unusual occurrence.
 23rd Usual School work. - M.E.S. JONES.
 26 Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.

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- Sep 27 Nothing unusual happened.
 28th Half holiday, there being a Missionary Meeting in the evening.
 29th School as usual.
 30th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- Oct 3rd Monday. Scarlet Fever appeared in the village. Mark BRICE ill, G. & W. BRICE, and E'th CARTER (neighbour) at home in consequence.
 4th Tuesday. No special report.
 5th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
 6th No special report.
 7th Nothing unusual happened. - M.E.S. JONES.
 10th Monday. Ordinary routine.
 11th Usual Schoolwork.
 12th Nothing unusual happened.
 13th Ordinary School work.
 14th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 17th Monday. Usual School work.
 18th For some days past many children have been absent picking up masks.
 19th No special report.
 20th Unbroken monotony.
 21st School as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
 24th Monday. School as usual.
 25th Ordinary routine.
 26 School as usual.
 27 No special report.
 28th No unusual occurrence. - M.E.S. JONES.
 31st Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
- Nov 1st No special report.
 2nd No special report except that Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
 3rd No special report.
 4th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
 7th Monday. Alfred SATCHELL cautioned, and reported to Rev. Mr. STREETEN for indecent behaviour in the playground on leaving School A.M.
 8th No special report.
 9th Miss STREETEN kindly assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 10th No special report.
 11th The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School, and Mrs [Harriet] BURR the foster mother of Alfred SATCHELL, to see correction administered to him for the behaviour reported on Monday last. - M.E.S. JONES.
 14th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
 15th No special report.
 16th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
 17th No special report.
 18th Miss STREETEN visited the Juvenile room at 11 A.M. to hear the 3rd class read. - M.E.S. JONES.
 21st Monday. No special report.
 22nd School as usual.
 23 Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room A.M.
 24th No special report.
 25th School work as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
 28th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning.
 29th No special report.
 30th School as usual.
- Dec 1st No special report.
 2nd Unbroken routine. - M.E.S. JONES.
 5th Monday. No special report.
 6th School as usual.
 7th Unbroken routine.
 8th No special report.
 9th In the afternoon the mother of Rachel BLANNING brought my Pocket book to Mr JONES, her daughter having taken it home. On that day I had left the girl to sweep up the hearth in the Girls' room, and while I went into the Committee room she abstracted the book from my basket which I had left on the desk.

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- The Mother [Mary Ann BLANNING] expressed great sorrow for the girl's misconduct and left her in my hands to correct her. - M.E.S. JONES.
- Dec 12th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room.
- 13th No special report.
- 14th Rachel BLANNING having put in her appearance, she was locked up during the dinner hour without her dinner.
- 15th No special report.
- 16th No special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 19th Monday. Nothing unusual happened.
- 20th School as usual.
- 21st Severe frost and snow for the first time this winter, affected the numbers in the Infant room.
- 22nd No special report. Closed School for a fortnight - the Xmas Vacation. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jan 9th Reopened School after the Vacation. Readmitted W'm PIKE and S.A. EVANS in the Juvenile room, also Louisa, and Eliza DIX in the Infant department. School very good considering that the weather was very cold with considerable snow on the ground.
- 10th Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited both rooms for a few minutes in the morning.
- 11th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room from 9.20 to 10 A.M.
- 12th No special report.
- 13th Miss STREETEN assisted for a short time in the Juvenile room. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 16th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room A.M.
- 17th No special report.
- 18th Usual routine. Miss STREETEN assisted the time she usually attends.
- 19th No special report. Weather extremely cold, but the School large.
- 20th School work as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 23rd Monday. Ordinary Schoolwork.
- 24th School dismissed rather before than after 12 A.M. in consequence of the distribution of the blankets of " [Mary] JONES' Charity".
- 25th School as usual. Miss STREETEN assisted.
- 26th Nothing unusual.
- 27th Ordinary work. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 30th Monday. Weather intensely cold. Several of the little ones away.
- 31st No special report.
- Feb 1st Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department.
- 2nd No special report.
- 3rd Friday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room during the Scripture lesson. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 6th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room. A shooting match in the village interfered with the attendance very much in the afternoon.
- 7th No special report.
- 8th School work as usual.
- 9th No special report.
- 10th School as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 13th Monday. Readmitted Freddy CARTER in the Infant room.
- 14th No special report.
- 15th Miss STREETEN assisted at the Scripture lesson in the Juvenile room.
- 16th Nothing unusual happened.
- 17th Miss STREETEN assisted during the Scripture lesson in the Juvenile room. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 20th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning. Readmitted Rosa JAMES, and Maria BRIMBLE, both in the Infant room.
- 21st No special report.
- 22nd Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning. Being Ash Wednesday those children who chose (and one or two others who wished to go home without sufficient cause) attended Divine Service in the Church at 11 o'clock A.M. Holiday P.M.
- 23 No special report.
- 24th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room during the Scripture lesson in the morning, and visited the Infant room for a few minutes. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 27th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department during the Scripture lesson. Admitted Hannah SAGE aged 9, and readmitted Luther RAPPS infant.

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- Feb 28th Admitted Georgina CHIVERS, and James DIX both in the Infant room.
- Mar 1st Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room during the Scripture lesson.
- 2nd Maria CURTIS one of the "boarded out" children left to go to her Aunt at Shepton Mallet.
- 3rd Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room during the Scripture Lesson. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 6th Monday. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room in the morning, and being myself very unwell, she also kindly took the needlework, assisted by my daughter [*Marianne JONES*], in the afternoon.
- 7th Readmitted W. BAIGENT, Maria BAKER, E'th CLEAVES, and George BAIGENT all in the Infant room.
- 8th Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile room during the Scripture lesson.
- 10th [9th] No special report.
- 11 [10th] School as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 18th The School during the week was much the same as usual; Miss STREETEN did not attend so much as usual owing to ill health - my daughter gave her assistance as usual each morning - two children were admitted in the Infant department. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 25th 5 children were admitted during the week. There is no special report to make respecting the conduct of any child. Miss STREETEN kindly assisted on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 31st On Wednesday the Diocesan Inspector visited the School - he expressed himself much pleased; in the afternoon the children had a "half holiday". No other special report during the week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- Apr 6th [7th] Being Good Friday there was no School. April 1st being the commencement of the new quarter's register, 13 names were omitted of those who had not attended for 2 weeks or upwards. E'th HARRISON withdrawn. Miss STREETEN assisted in the Juvenile department on the mornings of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, the latter day being merely the children who would attend Service at Church. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 14th There were no admissions during the past week, and the usual routine of Schoolwork was accomplished, Miss STREETEN kindly assisting at the usual times. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 21st On Wednesday The Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the School and announced to the children an invitation he had received for them from B. SCOBELL Esq'r, which was that in honour of his brother's marriage [*Sanford George Treweeke SCOBELL married Edith PALAIRET on 20th April 1871*] they should drink tea at Kingwell Hall on the next Friday. On that day there was a holiday, the morning being required to prepare bo[u]quets, for the children to wear and Maypoles of flowers for them to carry. Sarah WEEKS was readmitted this week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 28th No special report has been called for during the past week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- May 5th 3 children were admitted in the Infant department on Monday. Sarah Ann DIX withdrawn, she having gone into Wales. 2 girls were admitted on Tuesday in the Juvenile department. Miss STREETEN assisted as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 12th Four children were admitted during the week. Instruction in all respects as usual. Nothing occurred during the week to require special notice. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 19th There has been the usual School work; the only thing worthy of note being the large number in attendance - the average for the week being 92.-M.E.S. JONES.
- 26th Fanny and Minnie WITTOCK [*WHITTOCK*] removed this week at the suggestion of Mrs Eusticke [*Fanny*] SCOBELL, the mother being a member of that congregation [*Plymouth Brethren, of which her husband John Usticke SCOBELL was a leading light*].
- Jun 9th On Monday the School was reopened after a week's holiday for Whitsuntide. 4 children were admitted. The attendance was fair considering that various clubs were held in the neighbourhood, and that some haymaking had commenced in the village. Miss STREETEN assisted in the School some mornings in the week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 16th The routine of Schoolwork was as usual during the past week. There were 2 admissions. Attendance good. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 23rd Miss STREETEN kindly assisted in the Juvenile department on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. Nothing worth recording happened during the week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 30th During the past week there was one admission, and three withdrawals. On Friday Celia and Alfred EVANS were punished at their mother [*Caroline EVANS*]'s request for being absent from School in the morning of that day without her knowledge. Today the Rev.E.C.STREETEN brought in the Gov. papers. Miss STREETEN assisted in the School on the usual mornings. - M.E.S. JONES.
- Jul 7th Friday. On Thursday the School was visited by H.M. "I. of Returns" Mr J.H. WILLIAMS who expressed himself much pleased with the Discipline and Instruction. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN and Miss STREETEN were present during the Examination; there was a half holiday as usual after the Ex. Nothing else of any moment occurred during the week. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jul 10th Monday. Seven names were removed from the register of children who had been absent more than three weeks. Weather very wet. School smaller than last Monday.
- 11th This morning Henry JAMES, a boy notoriously troublesome and unruly in the School, and who never attends when the weather permits him to attend to outdoor employment, made his escape from the class-room window, he having a few moments before, been shut in that room for disobedience and impertinence to his Master. No other special report during the week.
- 17th Monday. Weather very hot; attendance at School small, many children being employed in carrying their father's meals to the hayfields, and others "fruitpicking". - M.E.S. JONES.
- 21st No other special report during the week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 24th Monday. The children commenced learning a song of Welcome to Mr and Mrs San(d)ford SCOBELL who were expected to arrive at Kingwell Hall during the week. School larger than last week. No other special report. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 31st No special report today, there being the usual School work.
- Aug 2nd Whole holiday until 3.30 when the children assembled to receive the girls' pretty little baskets of flowers, tastefully arranged by Mrs and Miss STREETEN, and the boys' white rosettes, proceeding at 5 P.M. to Kingwell Hall to receive G.S.[S.G.] SCOBELL Esq'r and Mrs SCOBELL.
- 3rd School extremely small in the morning, the children very tired and but little disposed to work.
- 4th School closed for the Midsummer holidays; a fortnight only being taken, the third week allowed by the rules of the School not being required by us. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 21st Monday. Reopened School after a fortnight's holiday. School large.
- 25th Eight children readmitted and admitted during the week. Average for the week 87, being an increase of 19 over the corresponding week of last year and 22 over that of the previous year. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 28th During this week Potatoe digging has interfered with the attendance of the children. Scarlet Fever is also in the village. Henry JAMES (vide p. 238 [= Sep 1st Jul 11th]) readmitted on the promise of good behaviour in future. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 8th During this week the heavy storms have interfered very much with the attendance of the younger children, while a very great proportion of the elder ones have taken advantage of the intervening fine weather to "weed" potatoes. Sarah STEVENS was readmitted. Joseph GULLICK who has mitched from School 9 half days, was, on Thursday morning locked in the Committee room and during our absence to dinner made his escape from the window. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 12th Mercy BRIMBLE, being kept in(to) to undo some work she had done badly, was taken from the room by her Aunt, who rushed in and without speaking to me seized hold of the girl shrieking that she should not be kept in. Mr JONES came from the other room to enquire the disturbance, when the woman challenged him to fight and threatened to "put him down in a moment". Ultimately, but without the slightest chance of my saying why the child had been detained, she left with the girl using the most abusive and insulting language.

1871 Sep 13. Summary of H.M. Inspector's Report. And Remarks. "The scholars passed a very fair examination in Elementary subjects, especially in Reading. A more regular attendance should be cultivated among the older children".
As an annual average attendance of 72 requires one Pupil Teacher a deduction of £20 is made from the grant, by Article 32(c). Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

Note. The above summary & Remarks were not enter'd immediately on receipt of Report, because the Secretary had entered into correspondence with the Committee of Privy Council on Education with a view to obtain a remission of the deduction above, and he wished to know the result, hoping it might have been favourable, before he made the entry. The Secretary regrets to say his efforts were unsuccessful. E.C.S.

- Sep 15th There was no other special report during the week. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 22nd The work of the School was as usual, with nothing particular to record. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 29th A very wet week, consequently the attendance in the Infant department was not as large.
- Oct 2nd On Monday there was a School treat which, as is usual on such occasions, brought together a great many children. The Attendance was large during the week, giving an average of 86, being a gain of 15 over last year, and of 17 over the previous year. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 9th Three children admitted. Attendance good, average 16 over corresponding week of last year, 2 of the previous one. - M.E.S. JONES.
- 16th On Monday one admission, Emma EVANS in the Infant department. The week on the whole was stormy and the potatoe digging interfered with the attendance of the children's Schoolwork as usual. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Oct 23rd Nothing unusual took place in the School during this week. Attendance large. - M.E.S. JONES.
 30th During the present week there was very heavy rain; the two last days were dark and cold which lessened the attendance of the Infants. Average for the week 82. - M.E.S. JONES.
 Nov 10th There has been one admission during this week, E'th WYATT, in the Infant room. This evening closes our engagement as Master [*John Erasmus JONES*] and Mistress [*Marianne E. JONES*] of this School. Average for week 82. - M.E.S. JONES.

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- Jan 29th These schools reopened after a long vacation by C. BENNETT as Mistress of the Infant department. The Rev. [*E.*] C. STREETEN read prayers.
 30th Tuesday. Numbers increased, 52 present in the morning.
 31st Wednesday. Miss STREETEN took a class for needlework.
 Feb 1st Miss STREETEN heard the children sing.
 2nd Church Catechism.
 5th Monday, fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 6th Tuesday. Mrs STREETEN took a class to needlework.
 7th School as usual.
 8th Miss STREETEN took a class to needlework.
 9th Church Catechism. 2nd Class examined in Reading.
 12th Monday. Miss STREETEN. 1st Class examined in Writing.
 13th Mrs STREETEN heard the second class read.
 14th Not so many children present.
 15th Miss STREETEN took the first and second class to Scripture.
 16th Church Catechism. Third and Fourth classes examined in Arithmetic.
 19th The children commenced learning a new Hymn.
 20th Miss STREETEN took the 3rd class to reading and Arithmetic.
 21st Miss STREETEN took the 3rd class to Scripture.
 22nd Mrs STREETEN took a class to needlework. Miss STREETEN examined the 3rd Standard in Scripture.
 23rd Examined the 3rd and 4th class Infants in reading. Miss STREETEN took the 3rd class girls, part of the afternoon to needlework.
 26th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 27th Attendance small, being half holiday in the afternoon.
 28th Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited the school, and gave cake to all the children.
 29th Miss STREETEN took the needlework.
 Mar 1st The children commenced learning a fresh song.
 4th Miss STREETEN took the 3rd Standard to Reading.
 5th 1st Class Infants examined in Reading.
 6th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 7th Less number of children present, being detained by their parents to assist in the gardens.
 8th The School visited by Miss STREETEN both morning and afternoon.
 11th Two children absent from School, their mother being ill, with the fever.
 12th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon.
 13th Miss STREETEN took the 3rd Standard to Scripture.
 14th Gave the 1st Class Infants an Arithmetic lesson.
 15th Examined all the children on the Catechism.
 18th Admitted two little girls, Am(e)y DANDO and Winnie CHIVERS.
 19th Readmitted one little girl, after a very long absence.
 20th School as usual.
 21st Miss STREETEN visited the School both morning and afternoon.
 22nd Not so many children present this week, several being away ill.
 25th Readmitted two little boys, after a very long absence.
 26th Mrs STREETEN visited the School in the afternoon.
 27th Miss STREETEN gave the 3rd Standard a Scripture lesson.
 28th Not so many children present, owing to the wet weather.
 29th Good Friday.
 Apr 1st Readmitted two little girls after a very long absence.
 2nd Gave an Arithmetic lesson to Standard I, and heard the 3rd class read.
 3rd Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon. Miss STREETEN took the needlework.
 4th The children attend more regular than they did.

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- Apr 5th Examined the children on the Church Catechism.
 8th Two little girls returned back to School, after a long sickness.
 9th Willie BRICE gave extra trouble in school.
 10th Miss STREETEN assisted with the needlework part of the afternoon.
 11th Heard the II class read; progress fair.
 12th Very fair attendance; 52 present.
 15th Readmitted three little girls after a long absence.
 16th Mrs STREETEN assisted with the children from three till four.
 17th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon.
 18th Mrs STREETEN heard the children sing.
 19th School larger than last week.
 22nd The children commenced learning a Hymn.
 23rd Not so many children present in the afternoon.
 24th Mrs STREETEN visited the School.
 25th Mrs STREETEN kindly assisted in school.
 26th Very fair attendance both morning and afternoon.
 29th Readmitted two little boys, William and George BAIGENT.
 30th Numbers increased (*sic*); 61 present in the morning.
- May 1st Not so many children present, being detained by their parents to assist in gardening.
 2nd Ellen JAMES gave a lot of trouble in the morning, remained home in the afternoon.
 3rd Mrs STREETEN visited the Schools in the afternoon.
 6th Mr STREETEN visited the School in the morning. Attendance very good.
 7th The Infant department examined by the Diocesan Inspector of Schools.
 8th Gave the third Standard an Arithmetic Lesson.
 9th Examined the 1st class Infants in Reading.
 10th Mrs STREETEN visited the Schools in the afternoon.
 13th Not so many children present to day.
 14th No special report.
 15th Admitted two little boys.
 16th Mrs STREETEN visited the Schools.
 17th The children commenced learning a new song.
 27th Reopened School after the Whitsun Holidays.
 28th Very good attendance both morning and afternoon.
 29th Gave the II class an Arithmetic Lesson.
 30th Examined the 1st class in Reading; progress fair.
- Jun 3rd E. KEMP[E] commenced duty as chief mistress of these schools. The Rector [Vicar] visited this morning and Mrs STREETON (*sic*) in the afternoon. 26 present all day. Ordered some new reading books.
 4th 26 and 28 present to day.
 5th Mrs STREETON, Miss STREETON and friends visited and examined children's Arithmetic. 33 present.
 6th Weather very stormy; numbers, 20, 26. Very few infants present to day, only 29 this afternoon.
 7th 68 present this afternoon.
 10th School much better attended today, 40 girls and boys and 42 infants. Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson to first class. Mrs STREETON visited and saw mixed school leave; praised the order.
 11th Weather very wet; less children in the Infant room.
 12th Children sang for a quarter of an hour this afternoon. Miss STREETON & friends visited.
 13th More children present to day, weather very fine.
 14th Miss STREETON gave first class in mixed school a scripture lesson.
 17th Weather very warm, 76 present. Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson this morning.
 18th Weather very wet, only 20 present this morning in both schools. More children present this afternoon.
 19th 77 present this morning. Children practised singing this afternoon from 3.45 to 4.15. Began to learn two easy rounds.
 24th Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson. 38 present in the mixed room, 40 in the Infant room.
 25 Children seem to be gradually improving in Arithmetic.
 27 Miss BENNETT gave a lesson on sugar. Mrs STREETON visited and heard a class read.
- Jul 1st Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson. H.M. Inspector visited, also the Vicar.

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- Jul 2nd The Vicar visited in the afternoon.
 3rd Miss STREETON gave a scripture and a reading lesson. Punished a boy for impudence before all the children. Mr E. [John Usticke] SCOBELL visited this afternoon.
 4th Miss STREETON visited.
 5th H.M. Inspector examined the Schools. Half holiday in the afternoon.
 8th Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson. Several children away hay making. Miss COLLIER, late mistress, visited this afternoon.
 10th Miss [Emily] COLLIER, late mistress, visited the school. Miss STREETON visited this morning and gave a scripture lesson.
 12th Not so many children at school to day in the upper room, in consequence of the hay making. 43 present in the Infant department.
 15th Miss STREETON visited.
 19th Children not yet returned from hay making.
 22nd Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson.
 24th Miss STREETON visited both times. 65 present this afternoon.
 25th Very wet this morning. 60 present to day.
 26th Miss STREETON gave a Scripture lesson. Average for this week 70.1.
 29th William HOLLEY returned to school after an absence of 7 months. Henry JAMES also returned, is very rude and impudent. 78 present to day.
 30th Weather very wet this afternoon. 60 present, 18 absent.
 31st Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson. Children disturbed during the first lesson by a boy named Fred. EVANS, looking through the school windows. Miss BENNETT punished a child for disobedience.
 Aug 1st Several children began Compound Multiplication.

August 3rd. Copy of Report made by H.M. Inspector. "This School has been for a part of the year only under the charge of qualified Teachers. The children over seven are at present very backward. Very fair progress has been made by the scholars under seven. The present Mistress was only appointed in June last."
 My Lords are unable to order payment of any Grant on this occasion as the School has not met 400 times during the past year. (Article 19). Edm'd C. STREETON, Secretary.

- Aug 5th Weather very wet this morning; 71 present. Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson.
 7th 78 present this morning. School disturbed by several boys who work in the mines, coming into the porch and lighting brimstone.
 9th Average for this week 81.
 12th Miss BENNETT absent from school nearly all day very unwell. Mrs and Miss STREETON came and assisted with the work.
 13th Emily WOOKEY returned to school.
 14 Head t'r took the boys and Infant room to let Miss BENNETT have a little easier work.
 15th Not so many children to day in the upper room.
 16th Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson this morning.
 19th Miss STREETON gave a lesson. Four children kept in from play this morning for inattention to their scripture lesson. 68 present this morning. Two new children to day, both in the Infant Department.
 20 77 present this afternoon.
 21 Miss STREETON gave a lesson. Dismissed two first class girls for being late. Ordered some new Copy-books.
 23 Received 2¹/₂ doz. new copy books viz. 1 doz. 10, 1 doz. 15, ¹/₂ doz. of 7, also 1 box of pencils some blotting paper and foolscap. Average for this week 76.
 25 Miss STREETON gave a lesson. 87 present to day in both schools.
 26 84 present this morning.
 29 No school today. Children's sch. feast.
 30 School very small. Closed for summer vacation.
 Sep 16th School re-opened. Miss STREETON visited.
 17th Rev. C.E.[E.C.] STREETON visited this morning at 9 A.M., also at 12 and reproved the children for coming late to school.
 18 Miss STREETON gave a scripture lesson. 68 present.
 19 Several ch'n punished for being late.

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- Sep 20th School much smaller this afternoon. Several children out potatoe picking.
 23rd William HOLLEY returned to school.
 25th Rev. C.E.[E.C.] STREETON visited at 5' to 12.
 27 Miss STREETON assisted in school, Miss BENNETT being absent with leave.
 30th Miss BENNETT still absent.
- Oct 1st The Rev. the Rector [Vicar] visited. The first class are making great progress in Arithmetic.
 2nd Henry JAMES and William HOLLEY were very troublesome to day.
 3rd Ch'n not able to go out this morning.
 7th School small to day. Miss STREETEN visited both times.
 11th Miss STREETEN gave scripture, this morning, and left some scripture to be written out as a punishment. Head Teacher had to see the lesson completed. Henry JAMES and William HOLLEY very rude and impudent, a thorough bad example to other scholars.
 16th Miss STREETEN visited.
 18 School has been much better attended this week.
 21 Miss and Mrs STREETEN visited this afternoon, and examined the girls' needlework and boys' arithmetic. Punished a girl for using bad language.
 23rd School not well attended to day.
 31st The Rev. the Vicar visited.
- Nov 1st Miss STREETEN gave a scripture lesson.
 4 School not well attended, weather very wet.
 6 Several children returned to school. Miss STREETEN visited.
 7 Head t'r had cause to punish a boy for using bad language in school and making a great disturbance. The Rev. the Vicar sent him home.
 12 A. CHIVERS returned to school.
 16 Miss STREETEN visited.
 22 Miss STREETEN unable to take her scripture lesson.
 25 Miss STREETEN still away.
 28 Mrs STREETEN visited this afternoon.
- Dec 9 Miss STREETEN unable to attend her Scripture class, through ill health.
 13 Weather wet, not so many children present to day. Two children played truant this week.
 16 Admitted Priscilla WEEKS. The Rev. the Vicar visited. Jeremiah LEWIS returned to school after playing truant for one week.
- 19th The Rev. the Vicar visited. Mrs STREETEN visited and gave ch'n some small articles of clothing. 20th The closing day of my occupation here as Chief Mistress. Elizabeth KEMPE, Sch. m.

[School closed for 15 months as a Head Teacher could not be hired without providing a house to live in.]

1874

- Mar 25th Mr John West TAYLOR was appointed Master of the mixed, and Mrs Mary Anne TAYLOR Mistress of the Infant department of this School. They were late Master and Mistress of the Stanwick Nat'l School, Northamptonshire.
[From 1874-1892 the Infants' Dep't maintained a separate Log Book.]
- Apr 27th Commenced duty, with 33 children in the Mixed department, and 35 Infants, the School having been closed for 16 Month; the children are exceedingly backward.
- May 8th Arranged the classes in accordance with the attainments of the children, and admitted 7 boys, 7 girls & 5 infants, also several elder boys as half-timers.
 15th The order of the School has somewhat improved, but there are only two children in St. II that can write down numbers correctly from dictation, and the children are much in the habit of copying from each other. Mrs STREETEN visited the School this week.
 22nd Arranged a Time-table for the Mixed and Infant department and obtained from the Rev'd E.C. STREETEN two Admission Registers. Several of the Half timers have declared their inability to attend in time to meet the requirements of the Privy Council.
 25th Whitsuntide Holiday one week.
- Jun 1st Several children absent this week visiting their friends who live at a distance.
 6th Taught a new song. The children are improving both in order and attainment.
 13th Two new songs taught in the Infant department. The School attendance has suffered this week in consequence of the Agricultural Show at Bristol.
 20th Received from the Rev'd E.C. STREETEN a supply of Slates, Copy-books, pens, pencils etc. for the use of the School.
 27th A Better attendance this week and the children are improving in their notation. The dictation is still very bad.
 30th To day the School year closes, there will be no examination, the School having been opened only 84 times.

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- Jul 1st Arranged the classes for the ensuing year. The weekly average has been 4.5 [?45 intended].
- 8th Gave permission to Geo. & W'm BRICE, M.A. WILKINS, and to several others to attend the Gov't Examination at the Timsbury School, having made their attendances at that School, during the time this was closed.
- 13th Admitted Henry, Frederic & Amelia CARTER, also Geo. DANDO, and Geo. STRICKLAND [John STICKLAND in Register], children of this Parish who have lately attended the Paulton Brit'h School. Also Annie & Gibbs WHITTOCK of this Parish who have lately attended the Timsbury School.
- 15th The attendance has been low this afternoon on account of a tea-party in connection with one of the Chapel Sunday Schools held in the Village.
- 17th Very Small attendance this morning owing to a large meeting of colliers being held at Clandown. Holiday in the afternoon, to enable the Master to get into his new residence.
- 20th Admitted John BLINMAN, Caroline CURTIS and Eliz'th CARTER.
- 23rd Captain & Mrs GREGORY visited the School with their family, heard the children sing, and distributed a few coins among them.
- 27 Taught a new School song. Paid extra attention to the arithmetic in the 2nd Class.
- 31st The writing & spelling in the I class has much improved; punished several boys for coming into school after prayers.
- Aug 3rd Admitted Thomas CLEAVES.
- 4th Gave additional attention to the Arithmetic in I Class, also to the Dictation.
- 6th Worked up the 3rd Class in Notation.
- 10th Admitted 4 girls and 1 boy. There are several children absent, being from home and many of the girls in the lower standards are kept at home for a week or more at a time, nursing. Punished Enock YOUNG for making grimaces at the Master, having overlooked the offence on a previous occasion.
- 14 Taught the children a new song.
- 21st The order has improved, and more attention has been given to the Home lessons. Broke up for the holidays two weeks.
- 28th A treat was given to the School-children at Kingwell Hall by Mr [Barton] SCOBELL.
- Sep 7th Reopened School, the attendance much improved; worked up the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Classes in their tables.
- 18th Gave special attention to the reading in the lower classes, and to the Arithmetic in the 1st & 2nd.
- 25th This week ends the 1st Quarter of the School year. Quarterly average attendance 53.
- Oct 2nd The weather this week has been very wet and the attendance suffered in consequence.
- 9th Improved attendance; gave extra attention to the reading in the 1st & 2nd class, and to the arithmetic.
- 16th Discontinued giving home lessons, the slates being required for the night school and the work often unintelligible owing to the wet weather.
- 23 I notice this week a decided improvement in the work of the 1st & 2nd class.
- 30th The attendance has much improved and the children are making fair progress.
- Nov 6th Gave special attention to the 3rd & 4th class, the latter, whose attendance is most irregular, is very backward.
- 13th Several children absent this week suffering from colds, and sore throats owing to the very wet weather.
- 20th Somewhat improved attendance. Gave extra attention to the reading in the 1st and 2nd class.
- 27th Worked up the 3rd and 4th class in their arithmetic, directing particular attention to their notation.
- Dec 2nd No School, The day being set apart as one of special intercession on behalf of Missions.
- 11th I am much pleased with the children's improved attention to their Geography, Object and Music Lessons.
- 18th There has been a great fall of snow this week, and the attendance has suffered in consequence.
- 24th Noon, broke up for Xmas holidays. This week ends the 2nd Quarter of the School year, Quarterly average 44.
- 1875
- Jan 4th Reopened School. Gave special attention to the dictation in the 1st & 2nd class, also to the arithmetic in the 3rd.
- 11th The attendance has much improved as well as the order and discipline of the school. Readmitted Frances (&) E. [&] Sarah Ann MILES.

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- Jan 15th Richard WAYLAND has returned after an absence of two weeks. School work as usual.
- 22nd Edward BRIMBLE kept at home nursing the baby. Gave special attention to the reading in the 1st and 2nd Class, also to the arithmetic in the 3rd & 4th.
- 29th Mercy BRIMBLE left school, wanted at home. Admitted Sarah STEPHENS a girl 10 years of age, and not able to read monosyllables.
- Feb 5th The attendance has much improved; worked up 3 & 4 class in dictation, punished several boys for coming to school late, which has had the desired effect.
- 12th The usual Diocesan Inspection; the children passed well & a half holiday was given; the children are improving in their rounds and part songs.
- 19th Charles W'm CHARD has left School to work underground, age 12 years. Louisa PRIDDY remonstrated with for irregular attendance, and was taken away in consequence.
- 26th The attendance in the fourth class is most irregular which is much to be regretted, many of the children being 11 & 12 years of age and in all probability will leave the school uneducated.
- Mar 5th Henrietta DANDO kept at home nursing the baby; this girl is 10 years of age & was making fair progress in St'd III.
- 12th Gave extra attention to the work of the 1st Class who are making fair progress, also to the reading of the 2nd.
- 19th There are several children absent this week from ill health. The school work went on as usual.
- 26th More children absent, the wet weather preventing many from attending.
- Apr 2nd The attendance has greatly improved this week; gave extra attention to the arithmetic in 2nd & 3rd Class.
- 9th There has been a low attendance this week owing to the rain; worked up the 1st Class in Dictation.
- 16th Improved attendance in the 4th Class; gave additional attention to their notation, and reading.
- 23rd The attendance in the 1st & 2nd Class is very low, some of the boys having gone to work, and others kept at home on palterly excuses.
- 30th It has been very wet this week, and the attendance much affected thereby.
- May 7th Improved attendance in the 1st & 2nd class; worked them up in dictation. Henrietta DANDO has returned to School.
- 14th There has been some improvement (*sic*) this week in the 3rd Class, their sums are done more accurately, but their dictation is very faulty. Gave the usual Holiday at Whitsuntide, one week.
- 24th There has been many absent from the 1st & 2nd Class this week.
- Jun 1st Arthur CLEAVES ill from Rheumatic fever; he will not be able to attend school for some time as it appears to be a bad case. Improved attendance in the 3rd class.
- 12th Received this week The Examination Schedule, and other papers from H.M.I., H.B. BARRY Esq.
- 19 Improved attendance in 2nd & 3rd class; gave great attention to their Dictation & Arithmetic.
- 26th Bessie JAMES ill from Fever.
- 30 End of the School year, average attendance 45.1.
- Jul 2nd George NORRIS kept at home (Haymaking). Improved attendance in 1st class; worked them well up in arithmetic.
- 9th The attendance has been good this week; worked them well up for the examination.
- 12th The School examined by H.M.I., H.B. BARRY Esq'r.

1875 July 29th. Copy of the summary of the Inspector's Report on the School.

Mixed School. "The reading, writing, and work of the fourth and fifth Standards were very fair, but the Lower Standards want great attention, especially in spelling and arithmetic. The School had been closed some time before Mr TAYLOR was appointed. A commodious residence has been built."

Infant School. "The School is under good influence and appears to be improving in attainments."

Mr John West TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the third class, is Master of the Mixed School. Mrs Mary Ann[e] TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the third class, is Mistress of the Infant School. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

- Jul 30th Henry CARTER, Thomas CLEAVES, and Sydney EVANS, gone to work in the coalpit.
- Aug 6th Taught a new song to the children and gave additional attention to the grammar in standard II.
- 13th Edward BRIMBLE left school, a boy who has always attended most irregularly; Amelia CARTER has also left.
- 20th Gave additional attention to the dictation, and Arithmetic in second class.
- 27th A Holiday in consequence of a School treat, given by B. SCOBEL [*Barton Land John SCOBELL*] Esq'r. The School closes for 4 weeks, the midsummer vacation.

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- Sep 27th Reopened school after 4 weeks holiday. Emily, Thomas, and Henry WEAVER have left the school, Mr [Isaac] WEAVER having removed to the Village of Paulton.
- Oct 4th Rearranged the classes for the school year. The school work as usual.
- 11th Readmitted Albert EVANS, and Mercy BRIMBLE. Paid extra attention to the Arithmetic in the first class.
- 18th Sarah HANNEY kept at home, nursing; admitted Ellen and Joseph BEST from the Church Sc'l at Paulton.
- 19th Readmitted Lydia DIX.
- 22nd Albert EVANS gone to work in the coalpit.
- 25th Readmitted George WYATT, a boy much neglected. Taught the children a new song.
- 29th George WYATT left School. The children are making fair progress.
- Nov 1st Edward BRIMBLE gone to work in the coal pit.
- 3rd Henrietta CLEAVES left school, gone to service in London. Gave extra attention to the Dictation in the first class.
- 10th John West TAYLOR left school; gone to work.
- 15th Readmitted Emily JAMES after an absence of 3 weeks.
- 22 Readmitted Kate CLEAVES after an absence of 8 weeks.
- 29th Thomas CURTIS at home ill. Gave extra attention to the Dictation and Arithmetic in the 2nd Class. Taught the children a new song. Charles COX, aged 10, gone to work.
- Dec 1st The children not register'd. The day being set apart as one of intercession to Almighty God on behalf of Foreign Missions. Florence NORRIS at home, ill. School Work as usual.
- 6th Jane CURTIS at home ill. Mercy BRIMBLE gone to service. Anna Maria DANDO kept at home on account of distance and wet weather. Gave extra attention to the Grammar and Geography in 1st class.
- 10th Worked up the second & third class in dictation and arithmetic; gave special attention to the reading in the fourth class.
- 17th Ellen BEST left school, wanted at home. Taught a new song.
- 24th The attendance this week has been unusually small; broke up for Xmas Holidays, one week.

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- Jan 7th Commenced the new year with a good attendance, The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN having looked up the absentees. Gave special attention to the Dictation in the third Class. Readmitted Mary EVANS, and Arthur BRIMBLE.
- 10th Mary Ann WILKINS & Sarah Ann EVANS were told to stand on the bench, for talking; S.A.E. did as she was told but M.A.W. deliberately refused. She was sent home until she showed a more obedient spirit.
- 14th John STICKLAND gone to work in the coalpit.
- 21st The Arithmetic in the 4th Class is progressing favourably; gave special attention to the reading in the 2nd Class.
- 28th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN called with a friend, found the School in working order, examined the arithmetic in Standard IV & 5, also in St. III, heard them sing etc.
- 30th John STICKLAND returned to school, the Parish paying the sc'l fees, his father being a[n] inva[lid].
- Feb 6th Amelia VENTIN readmitted; the attendance not so good this week, several of the children being at home ill; worked up the II & III class in dictation & arithmetic.
- 10th Sarah Anne EVANS, Mary CARTER, Jane CURTIS & Sarah ASHMAN at home ill. Worked up the 1st Class in Dictation.
- 17th It being very wet we had a poor school this week. John STICKLAND gone to work; worked the II class in arithmetic.
- 24th There has been a better attendance this week; gave special attention to the III class, both in arithmetic, Dictation and reading.
- Mar 1st Being ash wednesday, the children assembled for church.
- 3rd Mrs STREETEN called and was much pleased with the progress of the children.
- 7th The Rev. STREETEN called and gave notice that the School would be examined by the Diocesan Inspector on March 21st.
- 10th Joseph BEST taken from School, Elizabeth MAGGS, ill.
- 17th Sarah Ann EVANS kept at home nursing the Baby; the attendance in the I and II class is any thing but what it ought to be.
- 21st The School was examined by the Diocesan Inspector, who reported favourably on the religious (sic) attainment of the children, and Mr STREETEN kindly gave them half-holiday.

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- Mar 24th Elizabeth MAGGS, Frederic CARTER & James EVANS are at home ill. School work as usual.
- 31st The end of the School quarter, made up the books. Average for the q'r 47.
- Apr 3rd Many children absent assisting their parents in the garden etc.
- 7th The attendance is still very low.
- 14th There was a holiday given to day, it being Good Friday. The attendance in the 4th Class has been very irregular owing to the inclemency of the weather.
- 21st Many children absent assisting their fathers gardening, setting potatoes etc.
- 28th The attendance very low, gardening in full progress, most people being anxious to get their crops in, the season being now rather backward owing to the great amount of rain we have had.
- May 1st The attendance has somewhat improved to day, the planting season being nearly over. I shall now hope for a better, and more steady attendance.
- 8 Eliz'th MAGGS returned to school; worked up the first class in dictation and paid special attention to the arithmetic in the third class.
- 15th Readmitted Frederic CARTER after being 7 weeks absent. The attendance has somewhat improved.
- 22nd Amelia VENTIN left School, wanted at home.
- 29th Frederic BRIMBLE birdkeeping. Gave great attention to the reading in the First & second class.
- Jun 2nd Gave the usual holiday of one week, it being Whitsuntide.
- 16th Elizabeth and Emily JAMES kept from School to mind the house and gather fruit. Gave especial attention to the Reading and to the Arithmetic of the 3rd and 4th class; average present for the week 42.4.
- 22nd Received the usual supply of School-books, copy books etc. for the year. Readmitted Lydia DIX aged 11. Gave especial attention to the Dictation and Reading of the 1st and 2nd class; average present for the week 51.9.
- 30th This ends the School-year; the attendance has been less than usual, several children being kept at home, gathering fruit, the weekly average being 46.3.
- Jul 7th The attendance has improved this week; gave especial attention to the Grammar and Geography in the 1st and 2nd class; average for the week 50.6.
- 14th Received notice from the Department of the examination, made out the Schedule, and gave it to the Rev'd E.C. STREETEN. W'm COLLINS left School, gone to London; weekly average 49.2.
- 21st Frederic CARTER returned to School; gave especial attention to the Grammar and Geography of the 3rd Class, and to the Dictation and Arithmetic of the 1st and 2nd class; weekly average 49.1.
- 28th Mr BARRY, being on the Continent, the examination will take place on the 4th of Aug't; Elizabeth and Emily JAMES, have returned to School; average for the week 50.4.
- Aug 4 Alice and Gilbert HARRISON left school, their parents having removed to the Parish of Paulton. Average 54.9. The school was Inspected by H.M.I.
- 11th Worked up the 3rd and 4th class in Arithmetic & dictation. Average attendance 50.5.
- 18th Paid especial attention to the reading and writing of the 1st and 2nd standard; Av'e 52.2.
- 25th Taught the children a new song. School work as usual; weekly average 52.7.
- Sep 1st Worked up the 1st and 2nd class in dictation and arithmetic; weekly average 53.5.
- 8th Worked the 3rd and 4th class in reading & writing. Dismissed the children for their 3 weeks' vacation; weekly average 51.4.

1876 Sept: 12. Copy of the Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School.

Mixed School. "The lower part of the first standard is still very weak and the Arithmetic of the upper standards was indifferent and needs attention. The work in other respects shews a decided advance upon that of last year. The Needlework is well taught. Some new Maps are wanted."

Infant School. "The infants are in excellent order and their work gave evidence of intelligent and conscientious teaching. One or two new reading cards are wanted: the entry of the Report on the Infants' Department should be made in the Infants' Log Book. The names of E. DIX (a), A. EVANS, E. DIX (b) and H. TUCKER have been struck off the examination schedule under Article 19.(B).1. My Lords have consented to the Admission of A.R. TAYLOR with hesitation. A.M. HARRISON - Failure." Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

- Oct 2nd Recommenced school, and arranged the classes for the ensu(e)ing year. There has been several children absent this week; admitted Lilly COX. Weekly average 46.1.
- 9th Thomas CURTIS absent through sickness. Several children absent gathering potatoes. Average for the week 39.9.
- 16th Many children still absent. Average for the week 38.5.

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- Oct 23rd Ellen & Gibbs WHITTOCK left school, the distance being too great for them to attend. Average for the week 29.6.
 30th Many children absent gathering Acorns. Average for the week 31.5.
- Nov 10th The attendance (*sic*) has much improved this week, most of the garden produce being gathered in. Several children are still absent. Average for the week 41.4.
 17th Paid especial attention to the reading in the 3rd class, likewise to the Dictation and Arithmetic in the 2nd Class. Average for the week 42.1.
 20th Frederic CARTER kept at home, also Mary CARTER & Lydia DIX, helping their Mothers at home. Gave especial attention to the fourth class. Average for the week 38.5.
 27th The attendance has rather fallen off this week, the weather being very wet; gave great attention to the reading & dictation in the 2nd & 3rd class. Average for the week 34.2.
- Dec 1st There was no school to day, it being a day especially set apart by the Bishop, for Intercession on behalf of Foreign Missions.
 8th Gave great attention to the Arithmetic in the first, and to the dictation in the second class. Average for the week 44.8.
 15th Paid particular attention to the dictation in the first class, and to the Arithmetic in the second, also the reading in the third class. Average for the week 42.5.
 22nd Broke up for the usual Xmas holiday of one week; the attendance has been less than usual, only 38.5 for the week. The Quarterly average is 40.

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- Jan 5th Kate CLEAVES kept at home, her mother being ill and requiring her aid; average for the week 45.1.
 12th Sarah MILES readmitted. Thursday afternoon gave half-holiday, the room being required in the evening for a meeting on behalf of the Church Pastoral Aid Society; weekly average 48.5.
 19th William BRICE sick. The attendance has somewhat improved this week, and the children are making satisfactory progress; average 51.7.
 26th Jesse BRIMBLE left School, having removed to a distance; readmitted Eliza and Emily DIX. Average 48.1.
- Feb 2nd Henrietta DANDO and Sarah HANNEY are both absent this week, cause not explained. The weekly average is 41.6.
 9th Readmitted Alice CURTIS. Having 25 children in the 4th class, I feel that some assistance is required; it is impossible to maintain proper order without it, some of the children being older than the monitors over them; I cannot take them myself without neglecting the upper classes. Average 53.7.
 16th The usual holiday was given on Ash-wednesday. The average attendance for the week being 47.1.
 23rd Worked up the first and second class in dictation and arithmetic; the weekly average being 49.3.
- Mar 2nd Lidia DIX wanted at home. Kate CLEAVES readmitted after ten weeks absence owing to her mother's illness. The average for the week being 52.7.
 9th Arthur ROSE kept at home, being without books. Received notice from the Rev. E.C. STREETEN of the Diocesan Inspector's visit; the weekly average being 49.7.
 16th The fourth class is still in an unsatisfactory state, the children are very backward for their age, and require a large amount of hard work to bring them up to the requirements of St'rd I chiefly on account of their irregularity of attendance, and the want of early instruction; the weekly average is 49.2.
 23rd On Thursday the School was examined by the Rev. - MITCHELL [*MICHELL*], the Diocesan Inspector, who said "he was pleased with the whole School. The children were well taught." The Rev. E.C. STREETEN was present during the examination and expressed his satisfaction. The average present for the week is 46.
 29th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN gave the children half-holiday this afternoon at the request of Mr MI(T)CHELL the Diocesan Inspector. There will be a holiday to morrow, it being Good-Friday.
- Apr 6th Lydia DIX kept at home, her mother requiring her services. The weekly average being 41.8.
 13th George TAYLOR sent to Paulton Brit(t)ish School, Mr Eustic [*Usticke*] SCOBELL paying his School fees for him. The weekly average being only 33.7. Many children are helping their parents gardening.
 20th The attendance in the 1st & 2nd Class is very bad, and likely to remain so until(1) gardening work is over; those who do attend are making fair progress with their work. The average for the week is 37.8.
 27th Admitted Charles ROSITER [*ROSSITER*]. Gave great attention to the Dictation in the 2nd and to the Arithmetic in the 3rd class. The weekly average is 40.6.

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- May 4th Mary Ann WILKINS gone to service; school work as usual; the weekly average being 43.6.
- 11th William BRICE left School, gone to Bristol. Gave especial (*sic*) attention to the reading in the 1st and 3rd Class. The average for the week 39.6.
- 18th Gave the usual Whitsun Holiday of one week; the 2nd and 3rd class is making satisfactory progress in their studies. The average for the week is 39.6.
- Jun 1st Alfred James EVANS kept at home, his sister [*Winifred*] being ill of fever. Henrietta DANDO readmitted after an absence of 10 weeks. Average for the week 45.3.
- 8th Worked up the 1st and 2nd class in Arithmetic and Dictation. Mary EVANS returned to school after an absence of 5 weeks; the average for the week is 48.6.
- 15th Frances SMITH returned to school after 7 weeks absence. Gave especial attention to the reading in the 3rd and 4th class; the weekly average being 45.5.
- 22nd Alfred James EVANS returned to school; readmitted Mary YOUNG; worked up the 3rd and 4th class in arithmetic. The average attendance for the week is 50.8.
- 29th Annie FORD attended two mornings in order to make up the 250 attendances required. The school year now closes. The weekly average being 46.8.
- Jul 6th Commencement of the school year. Received of Rev. E.C. STREETEN the Government papers relating to certificates of labour. The weekly average is 47.1.
- 13th Received of the Rev. E.C. STREETEN the School examination papers. Many of the children are still absent especially in the 3rd class. The weekly average is 46.9.
- 18th The School examined by H.M.I. H.B. BARRY; there were 64 children present, but many failures in Arithmetic chiefly owing to the inefficiency of the School Staff. The average for the week is 48.1.
- 27th The number present on the average this week is 49.3.
- Aug 3rd The Rev. E.C. STREETEN received the report of the School examination. Av. 48.5.

1877 Aug't 8. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's report on the School, and remarks to be made."

Mixed School. "The reading is very fair, but great improvement is needed in attainment especially in arithmetic. There should be at least two sets of books for each standard. A paid Monitor would be useful. Both rooms want painting and whitewashing."

Infants' School. "The infants are taught with care and intelligence and are in very fair order. A gallery is much wanted and more reading sheets. A paid Monitor would be useful."

"A.R. TAYLOR's name has been removed from the Register of Pupil Teachers serving in this School." Master of the Mixed School - Mr John West TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the third class. Mistress of the Infant School- Mrs Mary Anne TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the third class. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Aug 10th Gave especial attention to the Arithmetic in the 1st class, and to the dictation in the second; the average for the week is 49.3.
- 17th Admitted Geo. and Thomas ROWSELL, their respective ages not given. They appear to be children much neglected. The average for the week is 47.8.
- 24th Gave great attention to the Arithmetic in the first Class, and to the reading in the Third; average for the week 47.6.
- 31st Closed the School for the usual vacasion (*sic*) of three weeks; average in attendance for the week 47.9.
- Sep 24th Commenced School, but with less than the average attendance in the first class. This week closes the quarter ending Sep'r 28th. The weekly average is 34.6.
- Oct 5th Reentered the Names on the School Register for the second quarter, and admitted several children from the Infant Department. The weekly av. 48.6.
- 12th Readmitted Albert CURTIS; gave great attention to the Arithmetic in the First and Second class; the average this week is 49.8.
- 19th Admitted W'm and Eliz'th BAKER. The third class is making satisfactory progress under the Monitress in charge. The average for the week is 48.1.
- 26th Admitted Thomas ROWSELL. The children in the First and Second class are making fair progress in their studies. The average for this week is 54.4.
- Nov 2nd The attendance has been fluctuating this week, on account of the very stormy weather that has prevailed. The weekly average being 51.4.
- 9th Charles STICKLAND and Gibbs WHITTOCK are gone to work. Gave special attention to the Reading and Dictation in the second class. The weekly average being 55.9.
- 16th Luther RAPPS admitted (h)as half-timer; worked up the first class in dictation and arithmetic. The average attendance for the week is 59.0.

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Nov 23rd The attendance is gradually improving and the first, second, and third classes are progressing favourably. The average for the week is 61.3.
30th Received from The Rev. E.C. STREETEN the usual supply of books etc. for the school.

1877 Dec 18. Visit W.N. Of 79 on the books 65 were present. There was one mistake in the registers. The Log Book and Summary should be regularly kept each week. H.B. BARRY, H.M.I.

Dec 21st Broke up for the Xmas holidays, one week. Average attendance for the week 58.8.

31st Commenced School. Annie PARKER ill, and unable to attend; out of 79 children on the registers, the weekly average is only 56.8.

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Jan 4th I gave especial attention to the 1st and 2nd Standards this week, who are making fair progress. The average attendance for the week being 56.8.

11th Caroline BRIDGES has left School, being wanted at home. The attendance has improved this week. The average being 61.5.

18th The Sc'l has met nine times during this week, the room being required on Wednesday P.M. for a Meeting on behalf of The Church Pastoral Aid Society. The average in attendance is 59.5.

25th Ellen WHITTOCK kept at home, to wait on her Mother who is very ill. Gave extra attention to the Reading and Arithmetic in the upper Standards this week. The average present is 59.6.

Feb 1st There has been a falling off in the attendance of Standard I this week - several of the children having caught cold owing to the weather. Standard II is making fair progress in their reading, writing, and Arithmetic. Av. 54.7.

8th Gave special attention to the upper classes, who are making fair progress in their Reading, Arithmetic and Dictation. The weekly average is 53.3.

15th Admitted Henry HISCOCK of the Parish of Hallatrow. Many of the children in Standard I are very backward, not having passed in order through the Infant School. Average for the week 54.7.

22nd The attendance has improved. Gave great attention to the upper classes who are progressing favourably. Av. 57.1.

Mar 1st The family of ROWSELL's [George & Thomas] left school. Examined Standard II who are making steady progress. The weekly average is 52.7.

8th There was a service in the church on Ash Wednesday, when the usual holiday was given. Worked up the higher standards in dictation and arithmetic. The average attendance for the week is 55.3.

15th On Monday there was a Confirmation held in the church and the schoolroom was required for the use of the Candidates. Examined standard II in their reading, who are progressing favourably. The average this week is 53.1.

22nd On Friday morning the school passed a favourable examination in Religious Knowledge conducted by the Diocesan Inspector, the Rev'd ELLERSHAW, in the presence of the vicar The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN who kindly gave the children a holiday in the afternoon. The average for the week is 58.5.

Mar 29th This week closes the third quarter of the school year; out of 69 children on the Registers, the average attendance for the quarter is 59. The average for the week is only 45.7.

Apr 5th Admitted seven children from the Infant School, who will have turned seven years of age before the close of the school year. The average attendance is 59.6.

12th Admitted Elizabeth and Lucy ROGERS, also W'm HAWARD [HAYWARD] into Standard I, which is now so large that I have been obliged to withdraw 8 of the most backward children and place them under a separate Monitor. The average for the week is 51.6.

19th The attendance in the upper classes has been most irregular this week. The usual holiday was given on Good Friday. The weekly average is 54.2.

26th Worked up the First and Second standard in Reading, Dictation and Arithmetic. Out of 74 children on the register, the average for the week is only 55.1.

May 3rd Luther RAPPS has left school. Examined the 1st and 2nd Class in Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, who are making fair progress. The average for the week is 56.5.

10th There has been a better attendance in the higher classes this week, but standard II has fallen off. The weekly average being 55.5.

17th Standard I is still in a deplorable state, many of the children being very backward when admitted into the school and past age for the Infant room. The average attendance for the week is 59.6.

24th Examined the whole school this week, and considering the irregularity with which many of the children attend, they are making fair progress. The weekly average is 58.5.

31st Worked up the upper classes in Reading, Dictation and Arithmetic and examined standards I and II. The average present this week is 59.5.

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- Jun 7th The attendance of the boys in the upper classes has been very low throughout this week. I believe they have been assisting in earthing up the potato plant. The weekly average 60.4.
- 14th The usual holiday on Whitsuntide, one week.
- 21st The hay-harvest having now commenced, there are many of the 2nd class girls kept at home while their mothers are working in the Hayfield. The average for the week is 58.1.
- 30th Many of the children still absent chiefly owing to the Haymaking. The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN called and stated that the Government examination would take place on July 8th at 10 o'clock. Out of 73 children on the Registers, the Av. present for the week was only 53.2.
- Jul 5th Admitted Henry James WYATT, who was transferred from the Infant room, being over 7 years of age. Examined the whole School this week, and made out the Schedule etc. for the Government Examination which will take place on Monday next. Average present 67.0.
- 12th The School was examined by H.M.I. E. WIX on Monday the 8th inst. There were present 67 children out of 68 who had made their 250 attendances. Arthur BRIMBLE having been sent for coal, 73 children present in all. The average for the week is only 53.2.
- 19th Admitted Mary Ellen MINAL[L] and Purmutha [Purmuthus] WEEKS, one 9 the other 10 years of age, not able to read Monosyllables. There has been no less than 18 children absent throughout the week. The average present is 53 out of 80 on the registers.
- 26th Charles ASHMAN aged 7 years, Birdkeeping for farmer COX [James COX, Rosewell Farm], James and John Edwin [Edward] DIX removed to the Paulton British School, Henry James WYATT, Birdkeeping aged 7 years. The average present for the week is 58.4.

August 2nd. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and remarks to be made."

Mixed School. "The discipline is on the whole fair, but there is too much talking and some copying amongst the lower children, which must be checked: the reading of the upper classes is good and their writing very fair, but the Arithmetic throughout is still indifferent and the results in spelling and Arithmetic in the first standard were very unsatisfactory: more efficient assistance seems needed for the lowest classes which have been weak for some time."

Infants' School. "The Infants are in good order, taught with care and intelligence, and continue to do nicely."

"Only two of the scholars for whom Honour Certificates are claimed satisfy the requirements of the Regulations of the 9th of February 1877. The names of C. WHITHUCK [WHITTOCK] and W. RAPPS have been struck off the Examination Schedule under Article 19(B) 1. A deduction of one tenth is made in the grant to the Mixed School for faults of instruction in Arithmetic, especially in the first standard."

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John West TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the Third Class. Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Mary Annie TAYLOR, certificated teacher of the Third Class. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Aug 9th Readmitted Arthur CLEAVES. Mary CARTER sent home by the Mistress for continued absence from school during the afternoons. The average for the week is 56.4.
- 16th This Parish is now under the school attendance committee of Clutton. Admitted Albert WEEKS, 9 years of age and not knowing his letters. The average for the week is 57.7.
- 23rd There has been several children absent from school this week. Broke up for the usual summer vacasion (*sic*) of three weeks. The average attendance has been 54.4.
- Sep 20th Several children are absent this week, the fourth class especially is very low. The average for the week being only 51.1.
- 27th The attendance has somewhat improved this week. Gave particular attention to the reading, dictation, and arithmetic in the 1st and 2nd class; this ends the first quarter of the School year; average attendance for the whole quarter 57.4.
- Oct 4th Admitted several children from the Infant Department having turned 7 years of age. Owing to the increase of scholars in Standard 4 I have found it necessary to use an additional register. Mr STREETEN has also consented to my having an additional paid Monitor. Average for the week 64.8.
- 11th The early part of the week was very wet and many children living at a distance were unable to attend. The weekly average being 58.7.
- 18th The additional monitor is of great service in keeping the lower class in working order while I am giving my attention to the upper part of the school; the average for this week is 60.4.
- 25th Gilbert MAGGS is gone to work. Several children absent this week on account of whether (*sic*). Gave great attention to upper classes and examined the third, who are making fair progress. The average for this week is 55.7.

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- Nov 2nd The upper classes are making fair progress with their studies; the reading, writing & arithmetic are good. The average attendance for the week is 60.3.
 9th Worked up the 3rd Class in reading, dictation and arithmetic; the average attendance this week is 59.0.
 16th Worked up the 4th class this week, many of whom are very backward, not having received the advantage of the Infant Department. The weekly average is 62.7.
 22nd Gave special attention to the First class in reading and arithmetic and to dictation in the second. The average for the week is 59.7.
 Nov 29th Paid special attention to the dictation in the First, and to the reading and arithmetic in the second class. The average attendance for the week is 62.1.
 Dec 6th Thursday being set apart for Intercession on behalf of Foreign Missions, there was no school on that day. Average for the week 63.5.
 13th Worked up the Third class in reading, dictation and arithmetic; the average attendance for this week is 61.8.
 20th Gave great attention to the Fourth Class. Broke up for the Xmas holiday, one week. This will end the second quarter of the School-year; average attendance for the quarter is 60.6.

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- Jan 3rd There has been a falling off in the attendance of Standard III this week. Worked hard with the 1st and 2nd class, who are making fair progress. The average for this week is 58.0.
 10th On Wednesday the fall of snow was so great that very few children put in an appearance and they were dismissed. The average attendance for the week being 41.8.
 17th Many children kept at home on account of the snow. Worked the school as usual. The average for this week is only 52.3.
 24th The bye-laws of this school having been approved by the Educa'l Dept't, the attendance Officer has been looking up the absentees, and there has been a great influx of neglected children. The average for the week is 72.3.
 31 Devoted my chief attention to the 3rd and 4th class; the later is now very large - and many of the new comers are in a deplorable state, and only fit for the Infant Department. The average is 71.1.
 Feb 7th There has been a great fall of rain during this week, and the attendance has suffered in consequence. Thursday Evening there was a Missionary Meeting in the Sc'l room and a half-holiday given. The average attendance for the week 64.5.
 14th Readmitted Emily NORTH. There are several children absent this week, suffering from chilblanes. Worked up the 3rd Standard in Reading and Arithmetic. The average number of the children present is 67.0.
 21st Albert WEEKS sent home for his sc'l money, and did not return. Readmitted George CURTIS. There was a heavy fall of snow on Thursday and the attendance suffered in consequence, the average for the week being 61.2.
 28th Albert John EVANS absent the whole week without leave. Wednesday being the first day of Lent there was a holiday given. The average present for the week is 66.5.
 Mar 7th Absent without leave. Worked up the 1st and 2nd class in reading, Dictation and Arithmetic. The average present this week is 72.6.
 14th William HAYWARD readmitted, still unable to read words of one syllable. The average present is 71.6.
 21st Edwin DIX gone to the British School Paulton, his school-money being paid by Mr Eustick E'q'r [John Usticke SCOBELL]. Bestowed much attention to the 3rd and 4th class. The average this week is 68.8.
 28th Georgina CHIVERS gone to service. Mary Jane YOUNG readmitted. This will end the third quarter; the average for the Q'r is 64.5.
 Apr 4th Admitted several [11] children from the Infant Department and engaged Sarah HANNEY as Monitor to instruct them. The average this week is 76.7.
 11th There has been several children absent through sickness which has brought down the average for the week to 70. The 11th being Good Friday a holiday was given.
 18th Standard I being now very large, I have divided it, so that each child shall have more attention from the Monitor in charge. The average for this week is 65.3.
 25th Standard II are making fair progress under Eliz'th MAGGS who devotes her whole attention to them, but several of the children are most irregular in their attendance and does not give her the credit she deserves. The average for the week is 66.8.

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- May 2nd Being now able to devote the chief of my time to Standards III, IV, V & VI, I am happy to state that they are making good progress. The average attendance for the week is 67.6.
- 9th Arthur CLEAVES at home sick. Examined Stan'd I in reading, writing & arithmetic, who are making fair progress considering the very backward state of a large portion of them when admitted. The average attendance this week is 69.2.
- 16th Admitted James CARTER from Derham [Durham], aged ten years, to Stan'd III, also Alice CURTIS after a month's absence. The average attendance for the week is 72.0.
- 23rd Edward WEAR [WARE] returned to School after being absent for three weeks. Examined Standard II in reading, writing and arithmetic. The average attendance for this week is 76.0.
- 30th The First and Second class are good in their attendance, and are making fair progress with their work. The average attention for the week is 70.2. Broke up for the Whitsun holidays, one week.
- Jun 13th Albert CURTIS at home ill. There are several children absent this week. The Monitors continue diligent in their work. The average for this week is only 65.6.
- 20th The attendance this week has improved. Examined Standard I, many of whom are still very backward. The average attendance for this week being 73.9.
- 27th Examined the whole school and find "as usual" that those children who are irregular in their attendance are backward, but the regular ones get on well. The average for the week is 80.6.
- Jul 4th Monday being the last day of the school year, I registered the children for that day in the space left for the Whitsun Holidays and carried the school pence forward in the new registers. The average for the year is 63.7.
- 11th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN called with the examination papers. H.M.I. Mr WIX will examine the school on the 30th inst.; the average present for the week is 82.2.
- 18th The school has been very full this week. Examined every class. The monitors continue to work well. The average number present this week is the highest ever known in High Littleton and is 84.4.
- 28th Examined the whole school and made out the schedules for the Government. The Childs Book is not made up - the certificates of age are not forthcoming. The average attendance for this week is 79.5.
- Aug 1st The Gov't examination by H.M.I. N. WIX took place on Wednesday; out of 73 who were eligible, 72 were examined, Rosanna SAGE having gone to Weston. The average attendance for the week is 78.2.
- 8th Albert John EVANS gone to the British School at Paulton. Sarah Ann MILES kept at home nursing the baby. The average attendance this week is 73.3.
- 15th Admitted Arthur LANNING from Taunton; George and Lily WEEKS gone to the Cameley School. No reason given. The average this week is 72.5.
- 22nd Georgina DANDO kept at home. No reason given; also Mary Jane CURTIS absent without leave. The average attendance for the week is 70.4.

1879 Aug't 26. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and Remarks (if any) to be made."

Mixed School. "There has been distinct improvement both in the order and attainments of the Mixed School: the arithmetic especially is much better, and the Reading and Writing of the upper standards are very fair; but there are still some very backward children in the first standard, and the Composition of the fifth standard and spelling throughout were weak. Some more desks are desirable and an Assistant is needed."

Infants' School. "The Infants are in nice order, carefully taught and making very fair progress. The Younger ones did not do so well as last year, but the afternoon was very hot."

The Scholars numbered 9 and 28 on the Infants' School Examination Schedule having been returned last year as over six were disqualified by age for further presentation under Article 19(B) 1. None of the scholars for whom Honour Certificates are claimed satisfy the requirements of the Regulations applicable thereto.

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John West TAYLOR, certificated Teacher of the third class. Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Mary Annie TAYLOR, certificated Teacher of the third class. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

Aug 29th Emily DIX absent, Matilda CARTER sick. Broke up for the Midsummer Holidays, 3 weeks. The number present this week is 63.6.

Sep 26th Commenced School after the usual vacasion (*sic*). Many of the children absent gathering up potatoes. This being the closing week of the 1st quarter, the average for th. q'r is 73.3.

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Oct 3rd Commenced the 2nd Quarter with 80 children on the books. Many are still absent getting up potatoes. The average for the week is 64.6.
 10th Elizabeth MAGGS (paid Monitor) left and gone to service; many children are still absent. The average attendance this week is 58.9.

Oct 13. Miss Rose NORTHAM, an Ex-Pupil Teacher aged eighteen years, has been appointed Assistant Teacher and entered on her work in the School this day. The staff of Teachers consists now of Mr John West TAYLOR, 3rd Class Certificate, Mrs Mary Annie TAYLOR, Infants' School, 3rd Class Certificate, Miss Rose NORTHAM, Ex-Pupil Teacher of 3 years standing and two paid Monitors. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary.

Oct 17th Miss NORTHAM teaches the 4th Class with care. The attendance of the Girls in the 2nd class is most irregular. Out of 130 possible, only 80 were made. The average number present this week is 61.6.

24th W'm BAKER returned to school after a month's absence. The Rev. E.C. STREETEN has provided the girls with a supply of needlework. The average for the week is 65.-.

31st Two new desks have arrived for the accommodation of the children in Standard IV, V & VI. The average present for the week is 62.8.

Nov 7th Admitted Geo. BROOKS [*not in Register*] Zion's Place to the first standard; E. DIX from home on a visit to his friends. The average attendance this week is 64.3.

14th Admitted M. JANES [*not in Register*] who has come to reside in this village from Paulton. Mary WARE is unable to attend school, having broken her leg. The average for this week is 66.7.

21st Emma EVANS is absent through ill health. The average attendance for this week is 63.7.

28th Matilda and Emma CARTER are unable to attend school through ill health. The average attendance this week is 61.2.

Dec 1st William MINAL[L] absent, his parents being unable to pay his school fees. The average attendance for this week is 55.9.

8th Ellen WHITTOCK kept at home, her mother being very ill and unable to attend to her domestic duties. The average this week is 54.7.

15th Miss Rosa (*sic*) NORTHAM not being recognized by the Department, has had notice to leave, and at the request of her parents, obtained the sanction of the Vicar to leave at once. Xmas holidays, one week. The average this week is 56.9, average for the quarter 61.3.

1880

Jan 2nd Miss HICKS from the Practicing School, Fishponds appointed in room of Miss N. [NORTHAM] and commenced duty on the 29th Dec'r. The average attendance for this week is 62.5.

9th There are now 30 children in the 4th class under Miss HICKS. The attendance in the 2nd & 3rd class is very low. The weekly average is 72.8.

16th The School is making fair progress considering the great irregularity of attendance. The average number present this week is 58.0.

23rd Thomas CROSS has left school, being wanted to assist his father [George CROSS] in the grocery business. The average attendance this week is 66.2.

30th The 4th class is making fair progress under the management of Miss HICKS. The average attendance this week is 69.9.

Feb 6th The 2nd and 3rd Class still continue to be irregular in their attendance. The average this week is 69.9.

13th Wednesday being the first day of Lent, a holiday was given to enable the elder children to attend Church. The average attendance for this week is 64.2.

20th A fatal case of small-pox having occurred in the village, The public vaccinator has visited the School and revaccinated those children not showing prominent marks of vaccination. The average attendance this week is 56.5.

27th My Son, being brought home suffering with the dreadful malady of small-pox, Dr WILSON has ordered the School to be closed until further notice [*John West TAYLOR was buried on 8th March aged 19*]. The Average this week is 66.7.

Apr 5th The School was reopened to day with 55 children present, after being closed during 5 weeks. James CARTER has removed to Durham. The average attendance for this week is 68.1.

16th Arthur TUCKER, St'd six, died of scarlet-fever; there are several other members of the family ill with it [*Of the TUCKER family of Alice Cottages, Farmborough, Wilfred was buried on 18th March aged 5, Arthur on 20th April aged 10, Sarah Anne on 27th April aged 6 and Edwin on 7th May aged 9*]. The average attendance for this week is 70.4

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- Apr 23rd George and Albert JAMES residing at Kingwell removed to the Nat'l School at Farmborough owing to the amount of sickness in this Parish. The average attendance this week is 65.0.
- 30th Edwin TUCKER aged 10 died of Scarlet-fever. Georgina DANDO left school, her mother requiring her assistance at home. The average present this week is 69.
- May 7th Mary Jane YOUNG returned to school after 9 weeks absence. She will not be able to make her attendances this year. The average attendance this week is 66.8.
- 14th The attendance this week has slightly improved both in the first & third class and the children are making ordinary progress. The average for this week is 71.6.
- 21st The school having been closed for so long a time, the usual Whitsun-holidays were dispensed with, but Tuesday was given, and finding it impossible to get the children together in sufficient number on Wednesday, I obtained the vicar's consent to dismiss them. The average this week is 54.3.
- 28th John TAYLOR from Grey-field is ill with scarlet fever. It is not thought advisable that Albert and Edward [Edwin] should attend. The average for this week is 68.4.
- Jun 4th The fourth class are making good progress under the management of Miss HICKS. The average number present this week is 69.3.
- 11th Henry & Herbert TUCKER returned to School after being absent 8 weeks from scarlet-fever. The average attendance this week is 71.5.
- 18 The Rev. E.C. STREETEN has recieved (sic) notice that the examination will take place 8th of July. The average present this week is 75.2.
- 25 Examined the First, Second & Third class in Reading, dictation and Arithmetic. The children who attend regularly are making fair progress. The average this week is 76.9.
- 30th This day closes the school year; average attendance for the year is 76.2.
- Jul 3rd Recieved (sic) from the Rev. E.C. STREETEN the examination Schedules to prepare for H.M.I.
- 8th The School was examined by H.M.I. E.N. WIX Esq'r. There were 82 children present of whom 66 passed; half a day's holiday was given.
- 16th There are many children absent, some who will not return until after the Holidays. The average attendance this week is 64.7.
- 23rd The attendance this week has been low - some gathering fruit and others waiting on their parents in the Hay-fields. The average attendance this week is 61.7.
- 30th The attendance still continues to be low. Broke up School for the usual Midsummer holidays. The average for the week is 53.0.

1880 Aug't 8th. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and Remarks (if any) to be made."

Mixed School. "The Mixed School is in very fair order and has made further progress in attainment; the Reading, Handwriting and Arithmetic were satisfactory, and the upper Standards are well taught. There is still a very backward division in the first Standard, and the Spelling of the second Standard and the Arithmetic of the fourth Standard were inaccurate. More hat pegs, some door mats and some new books are wanted."

Infants School. "The Infants are under good control, well drilled, and taught with intelligence and considerable skill. The first class did well and are better on the whole than the younger children."

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- Sep 3rd Commenced School Aug'st 30th. There were but few children present. The average for the week being only 43.5.
- 10th On account of the number of children who have left the first class, there is considerable difficulty in supplying suitable monitors for the Infant Department. The weekly average is 56.
- 17th During the vacasion (sic) the school has been repainted and whitewashed, which has given it quite a cheerful appearance. The average attendance for the week has been 55.7.
- 24th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN has supplied the School with six new desks, which are very convenient for the use of standards I & II. The average attendance for the week is 57.7.
- Oct 1st First week of the second quarter. On Tuesday a Missionary Meeting was held in the Infant department; a half holiday was given on the occasion. The average for the week is 56.7.
- 8th Elijah and Thomas PERRY were admitted to this school from the Paulton Church School. The average attendance for this week is 61.1.
- 15th Walter RAPPES was readmitted to the school after a short residence in Bristol. The average attendance for this week is 64.7.

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1880

- Oct 22nd Annie Mary YOUNG is kept at home through ill health. Examined the 3rd and 4th class who are making fair progress under Miss HICKS. The average attendance is 61.7.
- 29th Sarah and Edwin DIX was readmitted from the Paulton British School. The average attendance for this week is 53.0.
- Nov 5th The 1st and 2nd class are making fair progress considering their irregular attendance. The average for this week is 59.1.
- 12th Admitted Louisa BEECHAM [*BEACHAM*] aged 12 years, scarcely able to do the work in Standard II. The average attendance this week is 64.7.
- 19th Made out a list of the most irregular children for the School Attendance Officer. The average for this week is 59.5.
- 26th Received a supply of Copy-books from The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN. There has been several children absent this week through sickness. The average attendance is 54.5.
- Dec 3rd Henry NORRIS has returned to School after an illness of 7 weeks. The attendance has improved a little. The average for the week being 58.5.
- 10th Out of 79 children on the books there was only 44 present on Thursday afternoon. The average for the week is 56.8.
- 17th Jesse PARKER left the school, being 13 years of age, and having passed the fifth standand. The average for this week is 52.2.
- 24th Eliz'th RAPPS left School, her services being requir[e]d at home. This being the last week of the quarter, the average attendance is 48.3. The school was closed for one week Xmas holiday.

1881

- Jan 7th Admitted 5 boys and 8 girls from the Infant department. The average attendance this week is 67.4.
- 10th The attendance in the 1st & 2nd class is most irregular, and has been for some time. The lower classes are making fair progress under the management of Miss HICKS. The average this week is 56.1.
- 18th In consequence of a very heavy fall of snow I could not get the children together, and was obliged to close the school until more favourable weather. The average is 45.0.
- Feb 4th Commenced school on the 31st of Jan'y. Many children absent in the First & Second class. The average attendance this week is 61.7.
- 11th Admitted George & Tom ANGILL from the Marksbury Nat'l School. Wednesday P.M. an holiday was given, a Missionary meeting being held in the Schoolroom. The average this week is 53.1.
- 18th The attendance has improved this week. The lower classes are making satisfactory progress under the care of Miss HICKS. The average attendance is 70.9.
- 25th Many of the First class girls are absent this week; out of 100 possible attendances only 35 were made. The average is 63.9.
- Mar 4th There was no school on Ash-wednesday. The children assembled for Divine service as usual. The average attendance for this week is 64.5.
- 11th Notice was given that the Diocesan Inspector would visit the school on March 17th P.M. The average attendance for this week is 71.2.
- 18th The school passed a good examination under the Rev. - MI(T)CHELL on Thursday P.M., The Rev. E.C. STREETEN being present the whole time. The weekly average being 70.0.
- 25th Thomas ROWSEL[L] at work for Mr BRIMBLE [*probably Henry BRIMBLE, publican*], being under age and not having passed the required standard. The average attendance for this week is 67.3.
- Apr 1st Thomas ROWSELL returned to school on Tuesday, being absent two weeks. Emily DIX kept at home through ill health. Average present this week is 62.6.
- 7th The Third & Fourth Class are making fair progress under the management of Miss HICKS. The average present this week is 63.9.
- 15th There was Divine Service in Church on Good Friday, when the usual holiday was given. The average number present this week is 66.0.
- 22nd Out of 89 children on the Books there was an average attendance this week of 68.2.
- 29th Emma YOUNG returned to School having been absent 3 week through ill health. The average attendance this week is 68.3.
- May 6th Charles ASHMAN returned to School after being absent 5 weeks - bird keeping. The average for this week is 70.5.
- 13th May 13 (*sic*) Emily DIX absent on account of the illness of her mother. The average number present this week is 66.7.

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- May 20th The lower standards are making fair progress under the tuition of Miss HICKS. The average attendance this week is 67.1
 27th Kate RAPPS and Amy CARTER kept at home through ill health. The average number present this week is 68.9.
- Jun 3rd Being Whitsuntide the usual holiday of one week was given.
 17th Received Notice that H.M.I. E.N. WIX Esq'r will examine the School on July the 5th. The average present this week is 69.0
 24th A holiday was given on Friday afternoon in memory of Lord and Lady BROOKE's visit to Clutton. The children were provided with a good tea on the occasion. The number present was 77.8.
 30th This ends the school year. The average number present during the year is 61.9.
- Jul 8th The School was inspected by H.M.I. E.N. WIX Esq. on Tuesday last. There were many failures in St'd I. It is recommended that the children who will be 7 years of age on the 30th of June next, be drafted into the Mixed Department earlier so as to receive instruction with the other children.
 15th Hay-harvest being now in full swing, many of the children are kept at home, Their mothers being employed in the hay-field.
 22nd Many of the children in the first and second class are absent this week. Closed the school for the midsummer holidays (three weeks). Average number present this week 66.1.

August 10th. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and Remarks (if any) to be made."

Mixed School. "The Mixed School is in fair order and the general result was fair, but the work was very unequal, some in each class doing their work neatly and accurately, while others, chiefly in the first Standard, knew little or nothing. Many of the backward ones have attended with fair regularity and have done well in the Infants' Department and should therefore do better in the Upper School. The Spelling of the second and third Standards was weak. Some new books are much wanted."

Infants School. "The Infants are under good discipline, taught with kindness and intelligence and making creditable progress."

The Scholar numbered 31 on the Infants Examination Schedule, and the one numbered 6 on the Mixed School Examination Schedule are disqualified under Article 19(B) 1.

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- Aug 19th Admitted Emily BLACKER and Frederick MERCHANT [MERCHANT] from the Parish of Paulton. On Wednesday afternoon there was a tea-party in the village. The attendance was small in consequence. The average present for the week is [left blank].
- Aug 26th The attendance in the first class is very irregular, and several children have left school entirely.
- Sep 2nd Laura CURTIS kept at home through ill health. Many children are away gathering potatoes.
 9th School as usual this week; the attendance still continues to be very low.
 16th There is nothing special to report this week. Many of the children are still engaged with the potato crop.
 23rd This week closes the first quarter of the school year; the attendance throughout has been unsatisfactory.
- Oct 7th Admitted 23 children from the Infant Department who will be over 7 years of age on the 30th June next.
 14th Divided St'd I into two parts, there being several children not able to do the work required of them. The attendance have much improved.

Oct 27th. Visit W.N. Present 83 out of 105 on books. One mistake in the registers, which must be closed strictly at the right time. The Summary should be made up every week (see report on visit W.N. by Rev. H.B. BARRY on p. 302 [18 Dec 1877]). School on the whole in fair order. Ernest N. WIX, H.M.I.

- Nov 4th The NORRIS family [pupils Henry & Mary Jane] have removed to South Wales. Made out a list of the most irregular children and forwarded it to the Sch'l Attendance Officer.
 11th Gave extra attention to the reading, Dictation and writing in the first and Second class.
 18th Gave extra attention to the Arithmetic in the First and Second class and to the reading in the Third.

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- Nov 25 Wednesday, lord BROOK[E] [Earl of Warwick's son] had a shooting party at Gray-field Wood; the attendance was small in consequence.
- Dec 2nd Admitted Robert CARTER aged 7.3, who didn't know his letters. The second class is making fair progress under the instruction of Miss HICKS.
- 9th Gave special attention to the arithmetic in the second class, and to the reading & dictation of the First and Second.
- 16th Ellen BRICE gone to the Paulton British School, her mother having taken offence because she was asked to pay her arrears of S'l money.
- 22nd Broke up school for the Xmas holidays, one week from 23rd of Dec'r to the 2nd Jan'y 1882.

1882

- Jan 6th Bertha & Frederick NORRIS left school, also George YOUNG gone to the Clutton British School.
- 13th Samuel DIX left school having got work at the Shoe-factory at Paulton, also Mary JANES, her parents wanting her at home.
- 20th Thomas and Edley ANGILL removed to Radstock.
- 27th Thomas and James PERRY removed to the Parish of Paulton.
- Feb 3rd A half-holiday was given on Wednesday afternoon, the school being required for a Missionary Meeting.
- 10th Mary YOUNG left school, her services being required at home.
- 17th There are seve[r]al children absent this week suffering from coughs and sore throats.
- 24th On Ash-Wednesday the children were not registered, they only assembling for service in church.
- Mar 3rd Edith CHIVERS gone to Durham on service. Informed by the Rev. E.C. STREETEN, that the Diocesan examination would D.V. [God willing] take place on th[e] 15th of March.
- 10th The attendance especially of the lower classes have improved and the children are making fair progress under Miss HICKS.
- 17th The school was examined by - ELLERSHAW on Religious Knowledge and passed a good examination.
- 24th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN called to inform Miss J. HICKS that she had obtained a 3rd Division of the Second class at the Xmas Examination for Certificates.
- 31st This ends the Third quarter of the School year. The average attendance for the quarter is 69.8.
- May 7th [Apr] This being Good-friday, the usual holiday was given.
- May 14th The attendance in the First Class is very bad. The elder children assisting their parents in Gardening.
- 21 The attendance in the first class has somewhat improved, but they are still very irregular.
- 28th Miss J. HICKS left, having obtained the Mistressship of a School at Weedon in Northamptonshire.
- 26th Eliz'th MAGGS aged 18 years and former Monitor in this Sc'l is engaged by Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the room of Miss J. HICKS until another assistant Mistress can be obtained.
- Jun 2nd Whitsuntide Holiday, one week from May the 29th to June 2nd.
- 9th Examined Standard Two in reading, writing and arithmetic. The children are making fair progress. - J.W.T.
- 16th The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN called and presented the Assistant Mistress who will commence duty on July 3rd.
- 23rd Examined Standard One in Reading, writing and Arithmetic. Several of the children are still backward, notwithstanding the great labour Miss HICKS and myself have bestowed upon them.
- 30th The Hay harvest having now commenced, many children are kept at home while their parents are engaged Making Hay. The Examination will take place on July 18th By H.M.I. E.N. WIX Esq.
- Jul 3rd Miss Rosa TAYLOR commenced duty this morning as Assistant Mistress. Prepared the returns ready for the forthcoming examination.
- 18th The School was examined by H.M.I. E.N. WIX Esq. There were 84 children present, who did their work creditably and with good advancement on the previous year.
- 24th The Rev. E.C. STREETEN called, in company with his son Mr George and a Gentleman from India; after hearing the First class read, They expressed themselves pleased with the intelligence of the children.
- 31st I had only 32 children present out of 84 on the Registers, there being a Club-feast at Timsbury.
- Aug 7th A very small school this week in consequence of the hay-harvest.
- 18th Broke up for the Midsummer holidays - 4 weeks.

1882 Sept. 1st. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and Remarks (if any) to be made."

Mixed School. "There has been decided improvement in the attainment of the Mixed School, and the result on the whole was very fair, the work of the second Standard and the Reading throughout being decidedly good. The Sewing is carefully taught.

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The Notation of the first Standard and the Spelling of the third requires much improvement, and stricter order is desirable. The Log Book should be made up every week." See Form 17(a) C.

Infants' School. "The Infants are under firm but kindly discipline, taught with care and skill, and making good progress in attainment. The writing of the younger ones requires attention, and all the Girls should learn to knit."

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Sep 22nd Reopened the School on the 18th September, after one month's holiday. There are 79 children on the Books, of which number 23 have been absent all the week. Average 49.4.

29th This day (Friday) the 1st School quarter ends, and there are an additional number of children to be drafted into this School from the Infants. School-room required on Wednesday for a Missionary Meeting; there was a holiday given. The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited on Monday & Tuesday. Av. 62.5.

Oct 6th There has been a more regular attendance this week. The Master was taken ill on Wednesday night. I took charge of the School on Thursday and Friday. My husband dying suddenly on the 6th, School Closed 2 weeks in consequence. Average 72.7. Mary Anne TAYLOR.

[John West TAYLOR was buried on 9th October 1882 aged 58]

1882 Oct 9th. Mr John West TAYLOR having died suddenly on the sixth instant, the School is consequently closed for a short time till arrangements can be made for carrying on the work efficiently. [Rev. STREETEN's writing]

Oct 27th I have had charge of the Mixed School all the week, assisted by my sons, Henry and Frederick. There has been a fair attendance & the children were quiet & orderly whilst at work. Average 50.6. - Mary Anne TAYLOR.

Nov 3rd There has been a much better attendance during the past week, although several names have been taken off the Books; John RAPPS gone to work, John CARTER to another school, Matilda CARTER gone to service & Emily & Kate CURTIS' parents have left the village. Average 75.2.

6th I have this day handed over to the Vicar, the sum of £1. 9. 0, being School pence received for 3 weeks from Oct the 2nd to Nov the 3rd - Parish fees. - M.A. TAYLOR.

6 Monday. Elijah T. GREGORY took charge of the school as a temporary Master. 76 present. Many children come very late. The Rev. the Vicar came in on Tuesday. Average for week 77.8.

16 Thursday. A wet cold snowy morning has kept several children away to day, reducing the average. List of children sent to Attendance Officer.

18 Average for week 79.2.

20 Re-arranged time table for present, by transposing sums and writing for classes I and II on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, giving them abstract of reading lesson to write.

22 Mr CANTLE [George CANTLE, painter] repaired windows of school which were in very bad order. Miss TAYLOR had charge of infant school all day, and girls had no sewing, Mrs TAYLOR not being at school. Average for week 81.3.

27 Mrs TAYLOR the infant mistress being obliged to go home, Miss TAYLOR took charge of her room, with Standard II. In the afternoon I was myself obliged to leave through illness. A smaller school this week owing to the Club. The Rev. the Vicar came in during morning school.

30 A shooting party in the woods has rather shortened the attendance. Except on Wednesday afternoon, there has been no sewing this week. Average 76.6.

Dec 4 Miss TAYLOR is again in the Infant room in consequence of Mrs TAYLOR's absence.

6 Children were taken down the hill at three o'clock to observe the transit of Venus, which was explained by the Master.

Return made to the Vicar today. (copy)

No. of children on books June 30 last.

	Boys	Girls	Total	
Under 7	29	36	65	
Over 7	36	48	84	
Under 7	11.3	7.7	19	Average
Over 7	29.8	39.6	69.4	

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1882

- Dec 7th Thursday. A Heavy fall of snow last night has kept away most of the children. Average for week Mixed 68.2, of Infants 21.2.
 15th Friday. Snow and wet have kept away many of the children this week. Average for week 60.8, of Infants 10.4.
 18th Monday. The Rev. the vicar came in to school this morning. "The" Blankets are given away after morning school. Mr COX also came in and was present during the last lesson.
 22 Friday. To-day I give up charge of the School which is closed for a fortnight's holiday. Elijah T. GREGORY, II Class.

1883

- Jan 8 I, John Colston MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher, 1st Class, took charge of this School, being introduced to the Children by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, who made a few appropriate remarks upon the necessity of punctuality and regularity.
 9 Usual routine - Spoke to some of the boys about their disorderly way in leaving School. Writing needs improvem't.
 10 Conduct somewhat improved in the behaviour of the boys in coming into and leaving the school. Returns previously prepared given to the Relieving Officer - Signed two notices of Summonses for Non-attendance at School.
 15 Increased attendance; made enquires (*sic*) after absentees.
 18 Rev'd the Vicar visited Morning and Evening & filled some official returns.
 19 Examined all the Standards (boys) in Arithmetic. Average for the week = 76.3.
 22 Sent after absentees - find that some are ill.
 26 Very stormy and cold - several absent in consequence.
 29 Usual routine.
 30 Rev'd The Vicar visited & gave a half-holiday for to hold a Meeting in aid of the "C.P.A." Society.
 Feb 2 Attendance not so good to day, owing to wet weather.
 6 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited the schools - the usual routine.
 7 Commenced with Second lesson on Time-table. Went to Church at 11. Holiday in Afternoon.
 9 Ordinary progress.
 12 Wet morning - meagre attendance in consequence. Something better in Afternoon.
 14 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN brought the usual notice of Diocesan Inspection - to take place on Feb 28.
 16 Ordinary progress.
 19 Full attendance. Punished several for coming in late in the afternoon.
 21 Sent after absentees - usual routine.
 23 Ordinary progress - Average for w'k 79.9.
 26 One admitted & one returned to School after several weeks' absence.
 28 Examination by Diocesan Inspector during the Afternoon. Children not registered. Children acquitted themselves very fairly in their answers.
 Mar 2 Ordinary progress - sent to know why several are absent.
 5 Several of the 1st Standard backward and require working up.
 7 Fair attendance - Rev'd the Vicar called in the Afternoon with the Report from the Diocesan Inspector - Weather very cold. Attendance Officer called just before closing time for returns to be sent to him.

1883 Mar. 8. The following is a copy of the Remarks made by the Diocesan Inspector of the Diocese of Bath & Wells in his Report on examination held on the 28th of Feb'y last.

General Report of Mixed School. "A very good attendance, 89 of 94 on the Book. Teachers have had charge only since the beginning of the year. The School is well taught. I obtained excellent answering from the best scholars, very fair answering from almost all. The Repetition was quiet and accurate, especially the private prayer. A good reverent tone. More practice might be desirable in composition and other written work."

Infants. "Kindly & efficiently instructed. The Repetition quiet and accurate. Discipline excellent. The answering confined rather too much to the older ones; but this is often the case at the beginning of the year, I know." W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager & Correspondent.

The tabulation marks in the Report are all "v.g." except three, which are "g." E.C.S.

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- Mar 12 Usual routine; 87 pres't in morning 79 in the afternoon; one came in after Registers were closed.
 13 Rev'd the Vicar visited in the afternoon.
 16 The Clutton Attendance Officer called to know some particulars of children in his district.
 19 Ordinary progress.
 20 Very cold weather, so severe, that a great number unable to attend.
 23 Good Friday. School closed for the day.
 26 Several absent owing to inclement weather, and some are suffering from swelled faces.
 28 Ordinary progress.
 30 Very fair attendance considering the sickness prevailing.
- Apr 2 Several of the elder scholars absent, helping their parents in the garden.
 5 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited in the afternoon and stayed for a short time.
 9 Fine day - many absent helping their parents. 76 pres't in the morning and 69 in the afternoon.
 12 Louisa MINALL was accidently struck by Miss TAYLOR, when she had a piece of pencil in her hand which she said went into her ear. Rev'd Mr STREETEN being made acquainted with it, took the girl to the Doctor, who examined her but found no trace of it.
 16 Small attendance in the upper classes - usual routine.
 20 Sent after absentees. Average for the week 72.
 23 Ordinary progress - sent after absentees.
 25 Examined 3rd & 4th Classes in their writing; find them improving.
 30 Several absent - some bird minding and others nursing.
- May 2 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, visited.
 4 Ordinary progress - many absent this afternoon. Average for w'k = 73.7.
 7 74 pres't - usual routine - wet weather.
 8 73 pres't. One came in after the Registers were closed, which made the total 74. Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited in the morning. During the temporary absence of the Master to see his Mother off by train, the school was conducted by his daughter, who is a Certificated Mistress.
 9 Ordinary progress - 79 pres't in afternoon.
 11 The attendance of the 1st Class was very small this afternoon, only eight present. Average for the week = 74.4. Broke up for Whitsun Holidays according to custom, one week. A new set of "Historical Readers" and of "Geographical Readers" etc. received during the Holidays.

1883 May 21st. I have examined the Registers during the Whitsun week and found them with a few slight exceptions, chiefly during the Second Quarter after the decease of the late Master Mr John West TAYLOR, well and correctly kept. The entries have been carefully and conscientiously made. The School has been reopened this day after the usual Week's Holidays at Whitsuntide. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager & Correspondent.

- May 21 Rev'd The Vicar visited for a short time.
 23 Ordinary progress.
 25 Rev'd The Vicar visited. Average for w'k = 77.7.
 28 The attendance in 1st Class very poor.
 30 Attendance Officer called for a few particulars.
- Jun 1 Rev'd The Vicar visited in the evening as the children were leaving. Average attendace = 78.
 4 Examined the 1st Class in Dictation and find them very backward in Spelling - their writing also must improve.

June 6th. I have this day visited the school unexpectedly, tested the (the) numbers of Attendances as entered on the Registers, and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager & Correspondent. John C. MEREDITH, Master.

- Jun 6 Rev'd The Vicar visited the Schools in the morning and tested the Registers. Rev'd The Vicar visited in the afternoon, bringing the Log Book after making the above entry.
 8 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 76.9.
 11 Rev'd The Vicar visited in the afternoon. No. present 86.
 13 School Attendance Officer called and made a few enquiries.
 15 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 80.3. N.B.- A much higher average would have been, had not a Tea-party been held in one of the Chapels near.
 20 Very showery, many absent in consequence. Kept some of the 1st Standard back to do their writing better.

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- Jun 21 Mr P. SHARPE visited and asked the children a few questions, which were answered satisfactorily.
 25 Mr [George] COWEN brought two of his sons [John George & Albert Gregory] to be admitted. Sent some home for their money.
 26 Ordinary progress. Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited in the afternoon bringing notice that the Examination would take place on July 24th.
 28 Usual routine. There were 90 present both morning and afternoon. Practised the children in their School Songs.

June 29. Examined the Registers for the day and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager. John C. MEREDITH.

- Jun 29 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and tested the numbers as entered on the Registers.
 30 School year ends. Average for year = 71.3.
 Jul 2 Ordinary progress. Sent home Geo. DIX for the additional penny of his school money; promised to bring it the following Monday.
 6 Usual routine. Children sang some of their school songs. Rev'd The Vicar visited.
 11 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for Returns. 87 pres't (morning).
 13 Usual routine. Rev'd The Vicar visited for a short time. A meagre attendance in the afternoon, only 70 present.
 18 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for a few particulars.
 20 Charles WHITTOCK absent seven time during the week. Rev. The Vicar called during the afternoon.

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- i. Class Subjects - English & Geog: In both subjects Group St. 4 to 7 for St. 4 course this year.
 ii. Historical & Geog. books - Blackie's.
 iii. Repetition :-
 Standard I "The Bee (24 lines) Royal Reader St. II Page 20 or "My Mother".
 Standard II "Casabianca" (40 lines) Royal Reader St. IV Page 17 (Mrs Hemans) or, "The Beggar Man" (40 lines) Royal Reader Standard III (Aileen) Page 57.
 Standard III Napoleon and the young English Sailor, (68 lines) Royal Reader St. IV Page 54 (Campbell).
 Standard IV Bruce and the Spider (60 lines) Royal Reader Standard IV page 150 (Eliza Cook) and the "Graves of a Household" (Mrs Hemans) Page 167.
 Standard V Deserted Village lines 113-218 (Goldsmith) or Lay of the last Minstrel 100 lines Scott, Royal Reader St. V Page 177.
 St'ds VI-VII Mary Queen of Scots 110 lines, Royal Reader St. V Page 31 (Bell) and David's Lament for Absalom Royal Reader Standard V page 79 (68 lines).
 Ernest N. WIX, H.M.I. 24/vii/83.

- Jul 24 School examined, H.M. Inspector E.N. WIX Esq. 94 pres't. Holiday for the boys in afternoon.
 27 Holiday in the afternoon.
 30 Ordinary progress. The upper division of the school rather low in numbers.
 Aug 3 Taught the Children a new school song.
 10 Ordinary progress throughout the week
 11 Mrs [Mary] QUARMAN requests that Bertha be not pressed too closely with her lessons, as she dreams and wakes up in the night etc. etc.
 15 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called and paid 1.4.9 being the amount due for the pauper children.
 17 Rev'd F. STREETEN & Mr Cha's STREETEN visited the School for a short time during the morning and heard the children sing. Rev'd The Vicar visited in the afternoon. The Report received. Average for the week = 72.3.

August 17th. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the (the) School, and remarks (if any) to be made".

Mixed School. "The discipline is fair, and better than last year, though it should be more strict and habitual, and the School, in spite of some special difficulties, has, on the whole, done well. Singing was good. Sewing very creditable, and the quality of the work in the three lowest Standards was decidedly good. The fourth and fifth Standards read and write well, but their spelling was defective and their Arithmetic very indifferent. Notation is uncertain above the second Standard."

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Infants' School. "The Infants are in very fair order, and making on the whole satisfactory progress, though greater proficiency in reading and more general answering in the object lessons will be expected if a high Merit Grant is to be earned next year. Writing was good, Arithmetic and Spelling very fair. Reading fair: the Girls' Sewing was creditable, that of the Boys was indifferent. It is desirable to classify the children in more than one group for Object Lessons."

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School under Article 79 - Miss Rosa Elizabeth TAYLOR.

Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Aug 20 Fair attendance, although many absent. Sent after absentees.
 22 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for a few particulars respecting absentees.
 24 Broke up school for three weeks Holidays. Average for the week = 64.1.
- Sep 17 Re-opened School after three weeks vacation with an attendance of 71, several of those absent being wanted to assist in raising potatoes.
 19 Rev'd the Vicar visited bringing 6 boxes of slate pencils.
 21 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 68.9.
 24 Sent after absentees as many were absent owing to wet weather.
 26 Mr PIKE called for information respecting some to whom he had served notices.
 29 Made up returns for the quarter. Average for week = 70.1, Average for q'r = 72.6. An increase of about 13 as compared with corresponding quarter of last year.
- Sep 29. The School appears to have gone on satisfactorily since it was reopened on the 17th instant. Edm'd C. STREETEN. Manager.
- Oct 1 Several of the Infant children transferred. Many absent helping their parents in raising potatoes.
 5 Ordinary progress. Average for week = 84.2.
 10 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for "Returns" - usual routine.
 12 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar visited in the afternoon. Average for week = 84.
- Oct 16. Visited the school and found the number of scholars present tally with the entries in the Register. Edm'd C. STREETEN. John C. MEREDITH.
- Oct 18 Taught the scholars a new school song.
 22 Schools visited by Rev'd the Vicar, who gave notice there would be a holiday on Tuesday for Missionary Meeting.
 26 Full Attendance throughout the week. Average = 86.
 31 Punished some boys for stealing apples.
- Nov 1 C. WHITTOCK left the school without permission, when the Master was compelled to be absent from the room for a short time. Cha's WHITTOCK came to School in the afternoon; as he refused to make an apology, was sent home until something was further seen into it. The following Saturday his father [John WHITTOCK] waited upon the Master to know the particulars. It was arranged by the Master that he should be received into the school with a written apology on the following Monday, which apology he read aloud before the whole school.
 7 Several of the scholars having been previously warned that if they were late they would not be admitted were accordingly locked out. The Attendance Officer sent some absentee Forms by one of the scholars. Has not made his appearance here for the last fortnight.
 9 Find that rigid discipline is necessary in order to secure punctuality. Average for w'k = 83.1.
 12 Ordinary progress.
 15 Sent after absentees. Find that many are suffering from colds.
 19 Usual routine.
 20 Rev'd The Vicar visited for a short time.
 23 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 79.1.
 26 Rev'd The Vicar visited.
 28 School Attendance Officer visited.
 30 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 76.1. Miss TAYLOR completed her engagement to day.
- Dec 3 Miss E. MAGGS engaged as temporary Assistant. Sent after absentees. Rev'd The Vicar visited.
 5 Usual routine.

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Dec 7 My Wife's Mother died at ten this morning after the brief illness of a week, Bronchitis and utter prostration. Suspension of School work in the afternoon, and also the following week. She was buried in Cardiff.
 17 Ordinary progress. Pres't 75 Morning, 78 Even'g.
 21 Average for the w'k = 71.2; For q'r = 81.
 31 School re-opened after Christmas Holidays, one week. Rev'd The Vicar visited. Miss PRICE engaged as an Assistant.

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Jan 2 Rev'd The Vicar visited in the morning.
 4 Ordinary progress. Average for week = 80.2.
 7 One boy admitted viz. Herbert DAVIES [DAVIS].
 10 Edgar DIX came too late to be registered in the afternoon and was also absent in the morning.
 11 Received from Rev'd E.C. STREETEN the following: 3 boxes Slate pencils, 1 box Chalk, 6 doz Ex. Books, 3 boxes steel pens.
 14 Ordinary progress. Several away from the upper Standards.
 17 Full attendance. School song taught.
 21 Routine as usual. Some of the elder scholars absent.
 23 The following names were sent to the Attendance Officer - Mary CARTER, Albert WEEKS, Beatrice DANDO, Albert BAKER, Agnes L. CHIVERS, Matilda CARTER, Gilbert ASHMAN and Geo. MAIDMENT. Miss PRICE came to School at 2.20, but could hardly help doing so as her dinner had not been prepared.
 28 Sent the following names to the Attendance Officer - Edgar DIX, Mary E. CARTER, Jacob JAMES, W'm CARTER, Albert WEEKS, W'm MINAL[L], Albert BAKER, Julia DIX, Matilda CARTER, Gilbert ASHMAN & Beatrice BIGGS.
 29 Discovered that Kate SAGE entered in the 4th Class Register should be Ethel Maud EVANS as corrected.
 30 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, called and paid the fees for the pauper children 1.4.10.
 31 A very wet day - many absent in consequence. Louisa BLANNING admitted.
 Feb 4 Louisa BLANNING admitted on Friday afternoon. A very good attendance in the upper Standards.
 6 Sent home W'm MINALL & Albert WEEKS for Bad Conduct - on their way to school squirted some dirty water into Miss PRICE's face.
 7 Luther CLEAVES, Edgar DIX, Cha's WHITTOCK unable to do their writing exercises owing to bad fingers. It was discovered that Cha's WHITTOCK's was only sham and he was punished accordingly.
 9 Usual routine. Average for w'k = 81.6.
 12 Rev'd The Vicar visited who gave notice there would be a meeting in the evening in aid of the "Pastoral Aid Society. Holiday in the afternoon to prepare for meeting.
 13 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called.
 15 Average for the week = 85.6.
 20 Discovered that the School Windows had been broken from outside; after endeavouring in vain to find how it was done, reported the matter to Rev'd E.C. STREETEN.
 22 Ordinary progress. Average for week = 83.1.
 25 Sent after absentees. Few of them came.
 27 Ash-Wednesday. Assembled for Church only. School held in the afternoon.
 Mar 28 [Feb] Examination by Diocesan Inspector Rev. Mr ELLERSHAW; Rev. E.C. STREETEN also present. Nu'r in attendance 101. Children seemed to acquit themselves very fairly. Holiday in the afternoon.
 Mar 29 [Feb] Punished A. WEEKS, Edgar DIX and Luther CLEEVES [CLEAVES] for falsehood and disorderly conduct.
 Mar 3 Very wet day; many absent in consequence.
 6 Ordinary progress. Average = 72.9.
 10 Ordinary progress. An increased attendance, although may suffering from colds and absent in consequence.
 14 School very fairly attended all the week. Average 83.1.

March 14. The following is a copy of the General Report of the School made by the Assistant Diocesan Inspector after Inspection on 28th of February 1884.

"Mixed. The School is in good order. The elder children know the Book of Joshua well, but seem to have forgotten the earlier part of the Old Testament: in the New Testament also their knowledge is not very wide, but accurate as far as it goes. The Repetition was very good in all the Standards & the Catechism well known.

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Infants. The Infants are well and intelligently taught; their knowledge very thorough for their age. J. ELLERSHAW, Ass't Diocesan Inspector." E.C.S.

- Mar 17 Usual routine. Several of the children kept at home to help in the garden.
 19 Requested Miss PRICE not to strike the children.
 24 Only two boys present in the 1st Class, both morning & evening. The other classes fairly attended.
 28 Ordinary progress. Attendance low throughout the week.
- Apr 1 Attendance improved in the upper classes.
 4 Average attendance for the week = 85.5.
 7 Ex'd 3rd & 4th Standards in Reading, Writing and Arithmetic with fair results.
 10 Miss PRICE, Assistant, absent with leave.
 11 Good Friday. The usual holiday.
 14 Easter Monday. Very many absent.
 15 Holiday.
 16 The Attendance Officer not calling, sent for him, but he did not come; the lists of absentees although prepared for three weeks were of no use.
 18 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 62.8.
 21 First Class thinly attended, many of them still engaged in planting potatoes.
 25 A decided improvement this week in the attendance, average being 89.6.
 28 Find by an Examination given to the 1st and 2nd Standards on the 14th by Mrs MEREDITH, that the results of Miss PRICE's teaching are very poor. Steps must be taken to alter it.
- May 1 Kept back the 1st and 2nd Standards to give them an extra lesson.
 5 Luther CLEAVES, who has passed the fifth Standard, gone to the Paulton Shoe Factory to work.
 9 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 82.7
 12 Attendance beginning to increase in the lower Standards, but the upper ones are rather slack in their regularity, several bringing excuses that they are required at home.
 16 Usual routine. Average for w'k = 83.1.
 19 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited on Monday and brought the remainder of the Copy-Books that had been ordered by him.
 21 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, called and paid the fees due for the pauper children.
 23 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 80.4.

1884 May 26th. Visited the School, examined the Log Book, counted the children present and found the number correct. E.C. STREETEN. J.C. MEREDITH.

- May 30 Broke up School for the usual Whitsun Holidays - a week.
 Jun 9th Re-opened School after the Whitsun Holidays. As it is necessary for all the attendances of the School year to be entered in the current Registers, no space has been allotted for those holidays. Miss PRICE did not commence her duties until 11.30 this morning; stated that Miss [Catherine] PARRY (her Landlady) had written to her to say that Mr STREETEN had given her permission.
 13 Ordinary progress. Average for the w'k = 84.
 16 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited the Schools.
 19 Taught the Children a new School Song.
 24 Received notice through Rev'd Mr STREETEN that the Examination would be on the 22nd of July.
 27 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 84.3.

June 30. I have this day tested the number of scholars present and found it correct. I have also examined and tested the Registers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN. J.C. MEREDITH.

- Jul 1 Commencement of School year. There were present 39 boys and 44 girls.
 4 Rec'd new books for use of school.
 7 Edmund DIX absent in consequence of the illness of a relative.
 10 Attendance Officer visited. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited in the afternoon.
 14 Henry Alfred SMITH admitted.
 15 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited.

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Jul 17 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited. Mr [James] TUCKER called to know whether Herbert his son was punctual; shewed him that he had been too late to be registered on several occasions.

July 22 1884. Books already in use in higher standards can be used again. Class subj. - If English is taken, St. 4 will take St. 4 course, St. 5 to 7 will take St. 5 course. If Geog. is taken, St. 4 to 6 can be grouped for St. 4 course. A list of pieces for repetition should be sent to Mr BARRY for approval. E.N. WIX, H.M.I.

Jul 22 The attendances are erased in the Class Registers for the 22nd as they are not to be entered according to the Code.

25 Holiday. Average for the week = 79.3.

28 Attendance dropping off in the upper Classes. Several gone to Work.

29 Eliz'th and Sarah HULL left to day.

Aug 1 Several of the elder scholars very lax in their attendance since the examination. Average for the week 71.3.

4 Ordinary progress - a great falling off in the attendance.

8 Broke up school for the summer holidays, three weeks. Report rec'd by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN.

Aug't 11. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and Remarks (if any) to be made."

Mixed School. "Some good work was done, especially in the first and second Standards. English was fair, and Sewing very good. The work of the Upper Standards, especially the Reading and Arithmetic of the fourth Standard, was however decidedly weak. The children do not answer intelligently, and the Discipline has become very lax. Some new books are wanted in the Second Standard."

Infants' School. "In many respects the Infants are carefully and efficiently taught. Singing, Recitation, Writing and Spelling are good. Sewing is very good, and Arithmetic very fair. I cannot, however, call the School good again if the Reading continues so defective, and if there are so many absentees on the day of Inspection. Improvement in the Discipline of the Mixed School will be looked for another year.

J. PRICE is recognised as qualified to serve under Article 84."

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School under Article 84 - Miss Jane PRICE.

Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

Sep 1 Re-opened School after three weeks vacation with a fair attendance. School visited the same afternoon by the Rev'd the Vicar.

5 Ordinary progress throughout the week. Average for week = 66.8.

8 Very many absent in the upper Standards helping their parents to raise the potatoes & to store them away.

12 Mr PIKE, attendance officer, called for particulars respecting absentees and left a paper to be filled by Wednesday.

18 The Attendance Officer called for the absentee form which was duly filled.

19 Attendance very small in the upper Standards.

22 Rev'd The Vicar visited.

26 The Attendance has been very fluctuating this week owing to potatoe raising.

29 Rev'd The Vicar visited in the Morning. Transferred the Infants to Mixed Sch'l.

30 Rev'd The Vicar visited and gave notice of holiday in the afternoon, the room being required for Miss'y Meeting.

Oct 8 Box of Slate pencils and Ink received. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited morning & afternoon.

10 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 81.

13 Very cold weather. Fires commenced. Windows mended, some of which had been broken before the holidays by the woman who cleans the School whilst dusting them.

15 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, visited, who had returns previously prepared.

17 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited. Average for w'k = 81.7.

20 Full School. Fires discontinued as found unnecessary owing to the weather becoming warmer.

22 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, called to ascertain if any of those reported were now attending.

27 Ordinary progress. Sent after absentees.

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- Oct 30 Filled up absentee paper for Attendance Officer but he neglected to call although in the neighbourhood.
- Nov 3 Ordinary progress. Sent after absentees.
- 5 Attendance Officer called. Gave him a list of absentees.
- 10 Ordinary progress. Many absent picking up apples. Schools made very cold owing to a quantity of wet saw-dust having been strewn over the floors.
- 12 Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for list of Absentees.
- 14 Requested Eliza JAMES not to put any more saw-dust on the room.
- 17 Saw-dust again put. Mr PIKE visited for Master's signature to summons.
- 19 Attendance Officer visited for information respecting absentees.
- 21 The attendance slightly better than last week - room yet for improvement.
- 24 Ordinary progress. Very many absent.
- 26 Received from Mr STREETEN: Gross of chalk, 500 slate pencils & 6 doz. exercise books. Poetry books to come.
- 28 Rev. The Vicar visited during the course of the afternoon. Average for the w'k 82.
- Dec 2 Very many absent from the upper standards - waiting upon their parents.
- 6 The attendance should be better considering the mildness of the weather. Average for the w'k 80.8.
- 8 King WYATT admitted. Fair attendance.
- 11 A very wet day - a meagre attendance in consequence.

Dec 12. I have this day visited the School, tested the numbers present and found them correct. I have also tested the Registers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- Dec 12 Sent a list of absentees to Attendance Officer. Average for the week = 81.1.
- 16 Ordinary progress. Many from the Upper Standards kept at home.
- 19 Blankets given away to the poor of the Parish after 12 noon. Broke up for a fortnight's holidays. Average for week = 76.1. For Quarter = 83.1.

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- Jan 5 Re-opened after a fortnight's vacation with a very fair attendance. Miss PRICE left.
- 6 Miss MEREDITH assisting in consequence.
- 7 Rev. The Vicar visited in the morning to ascertain some particulars respecting Jacob JAMES.
- 9 Frank BLINMAN absent this week owing to an accident of having one of his fingers cut off by a machine.
- 12 Ordinary progress. Sent after absentees.
- 15 Several of the elder scholars absent.
- 20 The weather very cold which keeps many of the children away from school.
- 23 Books to put in order. Average for w'k = 79.
- 27 Attendance somewhat better. Practice of Hymns during the first part of the morning.
- 30 Owing to the very wet weather this week the attendance has not been good.
- Feb 2 Jacob JAMES attended School to-day, the first time after an absence of 13 weeks.
- 6 Attendance very much better in the 1st Class during this week. Average for week = 74.2.
- 11 Attendance very fair to-day. Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called and paid the school-fees due for paupers for the quarter ended Dec. 31 '74. On this day the Rev'd E.C. STREETEN brought the notice of the Diocesan Inspection to take place on Wednesday Afternoon March 4th.
- 16 Several of the girls of the fourth Standard attend very irregularly, so much so that it will be with great difficulty that they can be worked up to pass the Examination successfully.
- 23 Ordinary progress. One of the Desks in the second Class fell down while the children were writing.
- 27 Received a note from The Vicar requesting a holiday to be given in the afternoon.
- Mar 2 Ordinary progress - Sent after absentees.
- 4 90 present. Schools visited by Rev. E.C. STREETEN. 2.p.m. 89 pres't. Examination of the Schools by Rev'd Mr MICHELL, the Diocesan Inspector. Rev'd Mr STREETEN present during the Examina'n. Registers not marked in accordance with "The Code".
- 6 Ordinary progress. Average for the week = 75.2.
- 9 Several absent that should be present.
- 10 No trouble taken by the Attendance Officer to see after absentees.
- 13 Ordinary progress - many absent helping their parents to prepare the ground for gardening.

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March 13. The following is a Copy of the "General Report of the Schools" made by the Diocesan Inspector, after Examination, on the 4th instant.

"Mixed. The School is doing good work, children quiet & well behaved. Standards I, II should go a little farther in their New Testament, and understand the Death & Resurrection of our Lord. Standard III hardly take their full share of work as a Class; some individual children answering very well. The higher Standards did their Scripture and Repetition satisfactorily, save for a weakness in Catechism. The Infants are brightly and quietly taught: saying their Repetition very well. A pleasant group of children. W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector." E.C.S.

Mar 16 Ordinary progress. The upper classes very poorly attended; in other respects the usual routine.
 18 Mr PIKE, attendance officer, called with some fresh forms of Absentee papers.
 20 Average attendance 70.9 which is lower than last week.
 23 Fifth Standard as well as the Fourth better attended to-day.
 26 A falling off in the attendance of the upper Standards. The cause is partly from the Attendance Officer not looking sharper after the absentees.
 27 Average for the week 64.1.
 30 The attendance has fallen off very considerably owing to meazles. The elder ones kept at home to look after their younger brothers and sisters.

Apr 2 Holiday in the Afternoon.
 3 Good Friday. School closed as usual.
 6 Very many absent owing to the meazles epidemic.
 10 The average attendance has been lower this week than it has been at all for a very long time only reaching 40.3. Schools closed for a week owing to meazles.
 20 Attendance slightly improved.
 23 A few have returned to School, but many are still suffering.
 24 Average attendance this week = 45.9
 27 Attendance improved. Sent after absentees - find that many are still suffering either from meazles or from other complaint.

May 1 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 57.5.
 5 School work progressing especially Arithmetic and Reading.
 8 Attendance considerably improved, average this week being 74.3.
 11 Examined 5th St. in Composition, 4th St. in Arith. and 3rd St. in Reading, with fair results.
 14 Ex'd 1st & 2nd Standards in Writing & Tables, while Miss MEREDITH took the upper Standards.
 15 Average for week = 71.1.
 18 Ordinary progress. School progressing.
 20 Find that several of the children are kept at home to help their parents in fetching lime to whiten their houses for Whitsuntide.
 22 Broke up for the usual Whitsun holidays (a week). Average for the past week = 72.1.

1885 June 1. I have this day visited the School, tested the number of children present, looked into the Registers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

Jun 1 Rev. The Vicar visited and brought the Forms of official returns for the School-year.
 5 Very many absent from school so that they cannot be properly prepared for the Examination. Average for the week = 72.1.
 8 Ordinary progress, pres't - 79. Gertrude SHARPE returned to School.
 12 Several from the upper Standards absent the greater part of the week. Average = 76.4. The Attendance Officer has not called for some time and the attendance has been very irregular.
 15 Ordinary progress. Taught a School song.
 17 Prepared a list of absentees, but no Attendance Officer visited.
 19 Average for the week = 79.5.
 22 Ordinary progress. Went through most of the School Songs after play-time.
 24 Spoke to the Attendance Officer about his indifference in looking up the absentees. Had he done so, the average for the year would have been much higher and the Gov't grant greater.
 25 Rev'd the Vicar visited this afternoon.

I have this day tested the numbers of children present and found them correct. I have also examined the Registers and have not detected any inaccuracy. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

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Jun 29 Amy CARNE and Gertrude SHARP[E] removed to London. Their names cancelled in Registers.
30 End of School year. Average for the year = 74.2.

Recitations.	For approval.		
Standard I	"The First Grief"	page 16	= 28 lines
Standard II	"Compassion"	page 26	= 40 lines
Standard III	"Lucy Gray"	page 21	= 64 lines
Standard IV	"Lord Ullin's Daughter"	page 20	= 56}
	"The Destruction of Sennacherib"	page 31	= 24} = 80 lines
Standard V	"To the Cuckoo"	page 5	= 32}
	"The Rainbow"	page 16	= 44}
	"Ballad of Rosabelle"	page 18	= 52} = 128 lines
Standard VI	"Morning Hymn"	page 1	= 56}
	"Evening in Paradise"	page 7	= 108} = 164 lines

Accepted. H.B. BARRY, H.M.I. July 27th 1885.

Jul 1 Ordinary progress. Many of the upper Standards away with frivolous excuses.
3 Average for the week = 70.1.
7 Taught a new School Song and practised those previously learnt.
10 Examined all the Standards in their poetry.
13 Attendance improved to-day. Lydia YOUNG returned to school.
14 Received notice that the Examination would be held on the 27th of this month.
17 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 77.2.
20 The attendance is not so good as it should be. Children kept at home to pick fruit.
21 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited for a short time.
23 Mr PIKE called to pay the school-fees for the paupers for q'r ended June 30th.
24 Ordinary progress. Heard the School Songs. Average for week = 74.1.
27 Examination of the Schools by H.M. Inspector Rev. H.B. BARRY. Pres't - Boys 44 & Girls 39, Total 83. The attendances were not registered for this day.
31 Ordinary progress throughout the week; there has been a falling off in the attendance. Average for the week = 58.7.
Aug 3 Bank Holiday. Many of the children went with their parents to day on different excursions.
7 The attendance through out the week has been very poor. Rev. the Vicar visited in the afternoon. Average for the week = 53.4. Broke up School for Summer Holidays - three weeks.

1885 August 13. Copy of the Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School, and remarks (if any) to be made.

Mixed School. "The Di[s]cipline is fair, but wants some attention; the singing good. Great improvement is needed in Elementary work, especially in Spelling, Arithmetic, and in a knowledge of the meaning of passages read and recited. There is an offensive smell from pigstys abutting on the School wall. These Pigstys should be removed."

Infants' School. "The Infants are orderly and sing very fairly. There is some improvement in Elementary work, but further improvement is needed to enable the School to be classed as good. The Needlework of the Girls was very fair, of the Boys moderate. The Recitation was good. A Monitor is much wanted."

A more satisfactory report upon the Mixed Department will be looked for another year (Article 115 (I)). F.E. MEREDITH is recognised as qualified to serve under Article 84. Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School under Article 84 - Miss Florence E. MEREDITH. Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

Aug 31 School duties re-commenced after three weeks vacation. Rev. Mr STREETEN visited. Fair attendance both morning and evening.

Sep 4 Attendance rather low throughout the week. Average = 57.6.

8 Rev'd the Vicar visited, who announced there would be a Holiday in the afternoon as there would be a Missionary Meeting.

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- Sep 11 Ordinary progress. Average = 58.5.
 14 Attendance still low. Sent after absentees.
 16 Mr PIKE, attendance officer, called.
 18 Average for the week = 59.9.
 21 Fair attendance - Rev'd the Vicar visited in the afternoon.
 25 Ordinary progress throughout the week. Very many away helping their parents to raise the potatoes.
 30 Mr PIKE, attendance officer, called with the papers previous filled. The result of the notices sent out by him was seen by the improved attendance.
- Oct 2 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 64.8.
 5 Ordinary progress. Several of the absentees of last week have returned to school owing to Notices sent out by the Attendance Committee.
 9 Average for the week = 79.3.
 12 Ordinary progress.
 16 Average for week = 70.5.
 20 Admitted Rob't HILMAN [*HILLMAN*] from the British Schools, Clutton.
 23 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k 69.9.
 26 Sent after absentees. Several away still getting up potaoes.
 28 Rev'd the Vicar visited.
 30 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k 74.5.
- Nov 3 An improved attendance, although very unfavourable weather.
 6 Average for the week = 72.8.
 9 Edw'd PARKER absent owing to his sister's illness. George GARD ill also.
 12 Ordinary progress. Average for week = 73.1.
 18 Returns prepared for the past four weeks for the Attendance Officer, who did not make his visit until to-day, and then after the children had gone home for some time.
 20 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 70.5. During the week received from the Vicar for the use of the School: 8 Boxes of Sl. pencils, 6 doz. ex. books, ¹/₄ ream of fools-cap, 3 doz. slates.
 25 Full School. Mr PIKE, Attendance Officer, called for particulars. Holiday in the afternoon.
 27 Cautioned the Children against making any noise near the residence of one of their sick school fellows. Average for w'k = 75.3.
 30 Eliz'th PARKER died [*Elizabeth Ellen PARKER was buried on 4 Dec. 1885, aged 13*]. Holiday in the afternoon, the Schoolroom being required for a meeting.
- Dec 4 Ex'd the 1st Standard in Reading which is improving. Average for week = 69.7.
 7 Ordinary progress. Fair attendance.
 8 Polling day. Holiday in afternoon.
 11 Average for the week = 65.6.
 15 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited.

Dec 15. I visited the School this day, tested the Registers and found them correct. I also heard some of the children read and repeat. The Repetition was very correct but wanted expression and proper emphasis in parts. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- Dec 18 The attendance somewhat diminished owing to sickness and preparation for Christmas. Average for the week 68.4.
 21 Very few indeed in School, possibly owing to Parents requiring their children at home to run errands.
 23 Broke up for the Christmas holidays. Average for the three days = 36.5.

1886

- Jan 4 Re-opened School after Christmas holidays with a very fair atten'ce.
 8 Average for the week = 73.8.
 12 Ordinary progress.
 14 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN & Col. [*Barton*] SCOBELL visited in the afternoon to announce that a School Treat was to be given on the following Friday.
 15 School Treat took place this afternoon in the Southover Club room. There were 150 Children present. There was an abundance of Tea, Cake and Bread and butter provided. A Christmas-tree loaded with presents, lots of useful things given away to the children, and each child upon leaving had an orange. During the evening the children sang several of their school songs very creditably. The Infants also sang and recited Dialogues.

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Jan 18 Ordinary progress. Fair attendance in the upper Classes.
 22 Average for the week = 71.8.
 25 Rev. Mr STREETEN visited. Usual routine through the w'k, av'e 66.9.
 Feb 1 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited and heard the children sing an Anthem.
 5 Very cold weather throughout the week which keeps very many of the younger children from attending school. Average for the week = 73.2.
 8 Attendance low owing to the severity of the weather.
 12 Ordinary progress. Average = 69.8.
 15 Usual routine.
 16th Holiday given.
 17 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited and brought the Notice of Diocesan Inspection to take place on March 4th.
 19 Usual routine. Average for w'k = 66.7.
 22 Attendance low owing to the cold weather, especially in the lower classes.
 26 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k 67.1.
 Mar 1 Very small attendance in the 1st Class there being only 13 pres't in the morning and 19 in the afternoon.
 4 Registers not marked in the morning according to the Code. Scripture Examination by the Rev'd Mr HAWKINS, Rev'd Mr STREETEN being also present. Children acquitted themselves very well.
 10 Took those children to Church that attended School.
 11 Sent home Clara BAKER for her School money, as she said she had forgotten it; she did not return.

March 12th. The following is a summary of the "Report of Religious Instruction" made by the Diocesan Inspector after examination held on the 4th Instant.

Standards i & ii, iii, iv & v - "Knowledge of Old Testament, New Testament & Catechism." - Marked all "v.g." "Repetition of Scripture, Hymns, Collects etc. & Catechism." - Marked all "v.g." "Writing, Abstracts, or Writing from Memory." - Marked g.

"General Report of Mixed School. The children give evidence of being very well and carefully taught. The singing was especially good. The written work was not equal to the answering but was good on the whole." J.B.H. HAWKINS pro W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector.

Infants Department. "Knowledge of Old Testament, New Testament & Catechism." - marked all "v.g." "Repetition of Scripture, Hymns, Collects etc. and Catechism." - marked all "v.g."

General Report of Infants' School. "This is a very pleasant School. The infants looked bright and intelligent and answered very nicely the Questions put to them."

J.B.H. HAWKINS pro W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

Mar 15 Ordinary progress. Ex'd 3rd St. in Arith'c.
 19 Very many absent preparing the ground for gardening. Average = 66.3.
 22 Tho's PETERS admitted from Frome for a short time.
 26 Few in School. Attendance Officer does not look the scholars up, but merely sends out notices.
 29 Ordinary progress. Received several notices from parents that they did not wish their children pressed and yet they send them irregularly to school. Mary BODY withdrawn and sent to "FEAR's" Timsbury.
 Apr 2nd The attendance has not been so good as it might have been throughout the week. Average 65.9.
 5 Ordinary progress. Rev'd the Vicar visited.
 9 Average for the week = 66.7.
 13 Service in Church. Children not registered.
 16 Usual routine. Average for week = 62.
 20 Very many absent helping their parents in the garden.
 23 Good Friday. Holiday.
 26 Bank Holiday. Small attendance.
 30 General work throughout the week.
 May 3 Ordinary progress - Poetry is fairly progressing.
 7 The attendance has slightly improved in the past week.
 10 Sarah CRICK, Martha, Mary & John have returned to School.
 14 Tho's JAMES absent six times out of ten, although paid for by the parish.
 17 Received a note asking permission for Julia DIX to stay away a fortnight. She has been away a week already and has attended very irregularly throughout the year.

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- May 21 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 69.8.
 24 Small attendance in fifth & fourth Standards (boys), only five pres't in the morning and seven in the evening.
 25 School Attendance Officer visited in the Afternoon and had the lists, which had been waiting for him for nearly three weeks.
 28 Great difficulty in getting the children to attend school in any form - no co-operation of the parents. Average of the week = 69.9.
- Jun 1 Fair attendance. Progress slow owing to irregularity.
 4 Only three boys pres't in the afternoon; there were 13 girls in attendance. Average for w'k = 72.
 7 Ordinary progress. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited.
 8 Annie and Florence BOARD left the neighbourhood.
 11 Ordinary work. Broke up School for the Whitsun holidays (a week).
 21 Examined Fifth Standard in Composition which they did fairly well.

June 21. I have this day visited the School, tested the number of Scholars present with the Registers & found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- 24 Examined 5th Standard in the formation of Adjectives from Nouns etc.
 25 There were only three boys of the first class pres't this afternoon. Average for the week 70.2.
 28 Schools visited by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, who examined the Children's work and tested the numbers. Edm'd C. STREETEN.
 30 Average for the three days = 70.1. Average for the quarter 67.7. Average for the year 67.5.
- Jul 5 Very few present in the upper Classes, busy with the hay.
 7 Ordinary progress. Had some fresh "Forms" for filling in returns for Attendance Committee, brought by Mr PIKE.
 12 Four admitted from a Dame School at "Hobbs Wall" [actually, Fenela, George & Lily TUCKER from Dame School and George HILLMAN from Temple Cloud N.S.]. Usual routine.
 15 Many of the children kept at home to pick fruit.
 16 Ordinary progress. The elder children engaged in picking fruit. Average for the w'k = 71.6.

Recitations for Approval

Standard I	"All things bright and beautiful"	
Standard II	"It is summer, it is summer"	
Standard III	"We are seven"	
Standard IV	"Bruce and the Spider"	(60 lines)
	Graves of a Household	
Standard V	"To the Cuckoo"	= 28 lines
	"Napoleon and the young English Sailor"	= 68 lines
- VI -		

Accepted Richard F. CURRY.

- Jul 23 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited.
 27 Attendance good - most of those qualified for examination were present.
 28 Examination held by H.M. Inspectors R.F. CURRY Esq'r. and - NORRIS Esq'r. Children seemed to acquit themselves fairly well especially in their English.
 30 Children rather tiresome - moved up after the recent examination. Average for the week = 70.8.
- Aug 5 Broke up school for three weeks holidays.

1886 Aug't 12. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and remarks (if any) to be made".

"Mixed School. Some improvement has been made since last year, but the knowledge of the Elementary subjects is still very weak. The reading was monotonous and greatly lacking in intelligence; the writing was fairly neat, and the spelling has improved: the Arithmetic was weak. The Class Subject was fairly known. The children were too much inclined to talk and to prompt one another during the Examination. The Registers must be more frequently tested by the Manager."

"Infants' School. The Infants are orderly and have been taught with great care. They are fairly well advanced in the Elementary subjects, and answered the questions on the Object Lessons very intelligently.

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Mrs MEREDITH requires assistance. Another Teacher under Article 84, who could occasionally assist in the Mixed School, would be of very great help."

The defects of Instruction noticed by H.M. Inspector in the Mixed Department should engage the careful attention of the Teacher of that Department. F.E. MEREDITH is continued under Article 84.

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Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

Aug 30 Re-opened School after three weeks Vacation with a good attendance. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and examined the numbers in attendance.

Aug't 30. I visited the School this day, counted the Number of the Scholars present and found them correct. I have spoken to the Master about the remark in the Report of H.M. Inspector respecting the monotony & want of intelligance in the children's reading, and generally with regard to the other remarks in the Report. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

[In MEREDITH's writing] -

If the recommendation of H.M. Inspector for increased assistance be carried out, the above can be remedied.

Sep 3 Ordinary progress. Several of the children of the upper Standards away, helping their parents to get in potatoes etc.

10 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and brought the Log Books. Average for w'k = 62.6.

17 The attendance has been low throughout the week. The parents have kept their children at home to help in gathering the potaoes, Pick apples etc. Average for w'k = 51.6.

20 Ordinary progress. The attendance very poor in the 1st Class - picking up potatoes.

24 Average for the week = 48.5.

27 Several absent with a view of staying away altogether, although they have only passed the 4th Standard.

Oct 1 The attendance of the Boys in the First Class Register very poor indeed.

4 Admitted several from the Infant School.

8 Average for the week = 81.3.

11 Ordinary progress. An increase in the Upper Classes, although apple-picking keeps many from School.

14 Fires commenced in School.

18 Ordinary progress. Good attendance.

22 Average for the week = 80.

25 Several of the boys apparently playing truant being encouraged to pick up apples; only four boys present in the 1st Class.

29 Obligated to keep a Class back after the others very often as the work cannot be got through.

Nov 1 Good attendance. Ex'd 5th & 4th Stand's in Dictation with fair results.

2 Holiday. Missionary Meeting.

3 Rec'd from Rev'd the Vicar some Ex. Books & Sl. pencils.

4 The Attendance Officer sent me the Absentee Form after keeping it a fortnight.

8 Ordinary progress.

10 Had the absentee Forms ready, but the Attendance Officer did not call for them. Obligated to keep a class after 12. very often, owing to the want of more help.

12 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k 72.5.

15 Alice BACON slightly punished in the morning for talking and insolence to the Assistant. Mother [Mary] very abusive; she afterwards complained to Mr STREETEN who investigated the matter and found that the punishment had been very slight and the girl owned that she had told a falsehood. He said the girl deserved the punishment and made her apologise.

16 Sent home Anne DIX for her School money.

17 School Attendance Forms prepared but no Attendance Officer turned up.

22 Small attendance in 1st Class.

24 Attendance Officer very negligent in looking up absentees, told him so, he said he should not call for the papers every week as the other Attendance Officers did not do so. The Returns are made up every week and therefore he sho'd call for them.

29 Called the Rev'd Mr STREETEN's attention to the irregular attendance of several of the children.

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- Nov 30 The Attendance Officer sent the absentees' list by one of the children. Filled it same day, but it was not called for.
- Dec 6 Sent home Eliza CHIVERS for the additional penny. She brings a penny only instead of two-pence.
- 8 Returns prepared for the Attendance Officer but he did not call.
- 10 Fourth, Fifth & Sixth Standards; few in attendance. Average for week = 60.5. The attendance has not been so good this week owing to sickness, and inclemency of the weather.
- 13 The attendance slightly improved and it would be much better if the absentees were better looked after by the Attendance Officer.
- 15 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited the School, counted the number of Children, compared them with the Registers; and found them agree.

The above minute is correct. E.C.S.

- Dec 17 Ordinary progress. Filled in the attendances for "Attendance Officer". Average for the week slightly improved = 69.4.
- 21 Blankets given away to the poor of the Parish during the dinner time by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN & Mr [George] COWEN.
- 23 Broke up School for a fortnight.

1887

- Jan 10 Re-opened School with a small attendance owing to the severity of the weather.
- 14 Average for the week = 56.4.
- 17 Ordinary progress.
- 19 Received the Returns from the Attendance Officer by an old man asking that they may be got ready by next day - but Attendance Officer did not call for them.
- 26 Attendance Officer called and paid the fees for the pauper Children.
- 31 Usual routine - Ex'd 4th & 5th Stand's in Reading etc.
- Feb 4 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k 70.2.

Feb 8th. Visited the School this day, counted the numbers and found them correct. Examined Classes in repetition - pointed out defects in mode of expression and explained when emphasis should be laid, and cautioned the scholars against monotony of voice in repetition and reading. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

[In MEREDITH's writing] -

The monotony referred to in the above entry, cannot be well avoided when repeating altogether, otherwise there would be a confusion of sounds which would be very disagreeable.

- Feb 9 Attendance Officer sent for the Returns.
- 14 Ordinary progress.
- 17 Attendance Officer visited.
- 18 Average for the week = 69.3. Asked Mr. STREETEN to have the windows repaired.
- 21 Ordinary progress. Small attendance.
- 23 Ash-Wednesday. Registers not marked. Children went to Church of their own accord. Holiday the rest of the day.
- 25 Rev. Mr STREETEN visited and brought the usual notices of Diocesan Inspection, which is to take place March 23rd.
- 28 Ex'd 3rd, 4th & 5th Standards in Arith'c.
- Mar 9 School Attendance Officer brought Summonses to be filled. Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited to ascertain some particulars respecting Harry DANDO. These particulars were for Messrs. FLUKE, Paulton.
- 13 Average for week = 71.2.
- 14 Fair attendance although the weather very cold.
- 15th, 16th, 17th. Snow on the ground so deep that the children were unable to attend school.
- 18 Average for the week = 54.7. School could only be held two days.
- 21 The very severe weather has operated unfavourably on the attendance at School, hence the Children cannot be so well prepared as heretofore.
- 23 School inspected by Rev. Mr MICHELL who appeared to be very much fatigued from previous examinations - hence the attention of the children was not kept up as formerly. Average for the week = 70.3.
- 28 Ordinary progress. Weather finer - a better attendance.
- 31 Usual routine.

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- Apr 1 Average for the week = 71.
 4 Small attendance, possibly owing to the children being kept at home to help their parents in their gardens.
 8 Good Friday. No attendances marked.

1887 Ap. 13. The Diocesan Inspector's Report; Copy of.

"General Report of the School. The lower group knew their work very fairly, but they should be taught to hold up their hands, and answer one at a time as called upon. The answering of the elders was languid, failing in attention & effort, with, of course, certain exceptions of the more regular & painstaking children. The written work was more satisfactory. Attention needed to the Catechism of the elders.

Infants. "Cheerfully & quietly taught, satisfactory answering from a good proportion. W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector." Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary & Manager.

- Apr 18th Mrs YOUNG came to ask permission for Arthur's absence for ten days.
 26 School not held in consequence of very heavy rain.
 May 3 Joseph CHIVERS was absent from School in the morning; Sister said he was sent, came in the afternoon; again asked her and she said he had been sent. Gave him a stroke on each hand; he ran out but was caught at the porch door and brought back. Gave him a moderate caning. Mother took him same evening to Rev'd Mr STREETEN, who examined him & told her there was no evidence of more than ordinary punishment.
 6 Emily BACON's mother [Mary] requested that she should not be pressed as she had always suffered in her head, that she dreamed and talked in her sleep and could not do the work.
 10 School conducted by Mrs MEREDITH owing to the unavoidable absence of the Master.
 11th Holiday - Church anniversary.
 13 Whilst engaged with a Class in the Class-room, Eliza CHIVERS wilfully rubbed out the sums of third Standard slates left on their desks for examination.
 17 Edwin JAMES' Mother [Susan] came to School to abuse the Mistress. She was prevented by being ordered out of the School.
 18 W'm HOWE's father discovered his son had been guilty of telling falsehoods - he punished him very severely the same evening.
 20 Made up the "Returns" for the Attendance Officer.
 24 Col. [Barton] SCOBELL visited the School - looked over the Children's work and appeared very much pleased.
 27 Broke up for the usual Whitsun Holidays (a week).
 Jun 8 Attendance Officer visited and paid Paupers' fees. Not seen him for 7 w'ks.
 10 Geo. WEEKS very troublesome.
 13 Did not punish Geo. WEEKS as he promised to be a better lad; subsequently he was most impertinent and idle and was desired to leave his class. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN's attention was drawn to his conduct after morning's school; and his father [William], who was working in the Churchyard, was informed of it. In the Afternoon the Rev'd Mr STREETEN brought the father over, and the Master was requested by him to give his boy a thrashing should he again offend.

June 17th. I have this day visited the School, counted the numbers, compared them with the Registers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- Jun 17 Ordinary progress. Many absent.
 21 Holiday - Queen's Jubilee.
 24 Average for the week = 53.2.
 27 Many absent owing to the Attendance Officer not looking them up.
 30 Average for the week = 69.7. Average for the quarter = 65.1. Average for the year = 66.6.

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Jul 1 School year begins with an average for the day of 60.

Recitations for approval.

St. I	"Good night and Good morning"		24 lines
St. II	"Casabianca" (page 30)		40 lines
St. III	"The Village Blacksmith"	= 48	
	"Harvest Home	= <u>24</u>	72 lines
St. IV	"Ellen More" (page 60, 4th Book)		84 lines

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St. V "The Excursion", "The Wanderer",
 "T'was Summer" to "far as he was known" 101 lines
 St. VI Same as V with 50 additional lines 150 lines
 R.F. CURRY.

- Jul 4 Only 3 boys and 13 girls present in 1st Class.
 5 Holiday.
 8 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited in the morning and brought the remaining books that had been ordered.
 11 Fair attendance. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited bringing two copies of the Code for 1887.
 12 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, called with two Summonses to be filled.
 13 Mr PIKE's son called for the summonses.
 15 Rain fell heavily during the dinner time, which caused several to be absent in the afternoon.
 18 Eliz'th HOWE, twice obliged to leave the room owing to illness; subject to fits.
 19 Jos. HOWE and Geo. WEEKS came to School at 10 min's to 3. p.m. but were not admitted.
 Jul 20 Examination of the Schools by H.M. Inspectors, R.F. CURRY Esq'r and Mr NORRIS his Assistant.
 22 Average for the week = 66. Took over to Rev'd Mr STREETEN the Schedules for '85, '86 and '87, also A/c books and port-folio.
 25 Few in School. Many of the children staying away thinking we should break up for the holidays.
 26 Holiday.
 27 Broke up for One Month's vacation.
 28 Jubilee Celebrations held at Kingwell Hall.
 Harvest Holidays. Four weeks. From Aug't 1st to Aug't 29th.

1887 August 2nd. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's report on the School, and remarks (if any) to be made".

Mixed School. "The Children are orderly and have made on the whole fair progress. Reading should be more fluent and intelligent. Writing and Spelling were fairly good. Arithmetic was weak in the higher Standards. The Recitations were well known, but Grammar was weak, and the Grant for the Class Subject has been recommended with great hesitation."

Infants' Class. "The Infants have been taught with great care and have made good progress."

F.E. MEREDITH is continued under Article 84.

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, certifica. Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School under Article 84 - Miss Florence E. MEREDITH.

Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Aug 29 School re-opened after Four weeks vacation with a fair attendance.
 Sep 2 Average for week = 50.8.
 5 Attendance less than it should be owing to the negligence of the School Attendance Officer, or his amount of work.
 9 Average for the week = 50.2. Numbers are low as those from the Infant Department have not been Transferred to the Registers of Mixed School.
 12 Sent home Geo. SMITH for his School money, but he did not return.
 19th Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited in the afternoon. He told the children there would be a Missionary Meeting the following evening.
 20 Holiday.
 21 Attendance Officer called for Absentee Forms which had been prepared.
 23 Average for week = 53.3.

[For some reason MEREDITH repeated the entries for Sep 19th to 23rd but with extra information.]

- Sep 19 Attendance low in the upper Standards. Geo. SMITH came again to School without his money, but said his mother would call and pay it. She did call and stated her circumstances, and said she would pay as soon as she could, so the matter was allowed to stand over.
 20 Holiday. Room wanted for Missionary Meeting.
 23 Average for week = 53.3.
 26 Attendance very low in upper Standards.
 30 End of quarter. Average for q'r = 56.2. School payments have been insisted upon which has caused a slight diminution in the average only many are away picking up potatoes. Average for week 52.7, q'r = 56.2.

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Oct 3 Transferred the Infants into Registers of Mixed School.
 8 Average for week = 66.6.
 10th Fires began.
 12 School Attendance Office called for bill of Pauper Children.
 15 Average for week = 58.4.
 19 School Attendance Officer called for Absentee list; also paid for pauper Children for previous quarter 14s/2d.
 21 The Attendance throughout the week has been wretched owing to so many having been kept at home to pick up potatoes and Apples. The Attendance Officer is of no use whatever.
 25 Rev. Mr STREETEN in company with another gentleman visited the Schools and heard the Children sing. Attendance still low, many helping their parents to raise potatoes etc.

Oct 31. I have this day visited the School. I found the work of the School going on steadily an[d] in good order. I also tested the Registers and found the number of Scholars correctly entered. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

Nov 1 The weather so very severe the children were unable to attend school; it however abated in the afternoon and was milder.
 2 School Attendance Officer left the Returns after keeping them since Oct 19th.
 3 Assistant Mistress too ill to attend School through a severe cold.
 7 Ordinary progress. Rev. Mr STREETEN visited.
 11 Attendance still very low.
 16 Holiday. Lecture in the evening on Ireland given by Rev. Mr GRAHAM.
 18 Average for the week = 66.1.
 23 School Attendance Officer visited for returns.
 24 Rev. The Vicar visited in the Afternoon, who brought 500 Sl. pencils.
 25 Usual routine. Average 66.1.
 28 Ordinary progress. Very few pres't in the upper Standards.
 Dec 2 School Atten'ce Office called for Returns. Signed Summonses and took them to Pensford on Saturday.
 5 A pane of glass abstracted between the 2nd and 5th.
 7 Sent the Attendance Form to School Attendance Officer.
 12 Ordinary progress. Through the severity of the weather there were many absent.
 16 Average for the week = 58.3.
 19 Attendance decreasing, very few to-day.
 22 Schools closed to-day for the Xmas holidays. Average for the week 62.2. Vacation From Dec 22/'87 to Jan 9/'88.

1888

Jan 9 Re-opened School after two weeks vacation with a fair attendance. Gertrude SAGE admitted.
 13 Usual progress. Average for w'k = 67.8.
 16 Ordinary progress.
 18 The absentee "Forms" returned by one of Attendance Officer's sons - detained by him from Christmas to look up absen's.
 20 Usual routine. Average for week = 61.5.
 23 Ordinary progress. The attendance of the girls is very irregular especially in the upper Classes.
 25 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited in the Afternoon. The Attendance Officer sent his son for the absentee list as he is himself indisposed.
 27 Usual routine. Attendance improved. Average for the week = 64.7.
 Feb 3 There has been a slight improvement in the attendance this week. Average for week = 68.3.
 8 The Attendance Officer too unwell to bring the absentee list, sent it by his son; seldom ever see him. The list has been made up but he does not call for it at regular periods.
 10th Average for w'k 71.1.
 17 School opened only one day during this week ending Friday owing to the heavy fall of snow. Average for that day = 72.5. School not held during the week owing to the snow.
 22 The Attendance Officer's son p'd paupers.

1888 Feb 27th. I have this day visited the School, tested the numbers and found them correct. Notice of Inspection by the Diocesan Inspector for 12th of March next was read out to the School & fixed on the wall. The weather is very inclement and the attendance small in consequence. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent & Member of Committee.

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- Mar 2nd The attendance something better since Monday but a great number absent owing to the severity of the weather. Average for the week = 62.5.
 5 Ordinary progress.
 7th The Attendance Officer seldom calls although in the neighbourhood. Forms are filled every week of the attendance of the children, which entails extra labour and time for no benefit to the School.
 9 Average for the week = 66.3.
 12 Examination in Scripture knowledge by Rev. Mr HAWKINS, Assis't Diocesan Inspec'r.
 16 Cautioned Cha's'CARTER against bad behaviour in leaving the School; average for the week = 68.2.
 19 Ordinary progress. Many absent owing to the weather.
 23 Only 8 pres't in the morning and 7 in the evening in the 4th St. and upwards. Average for the week = 66.4.
 26 Heard that Frank and Mildred BLINMAN had been removed to a private school without assigning any cause.
 30 Good Friday. Average for w'k = 57.3.

The following is a copy of the "General Report of the School" made by The Rev. J.B.H. HAWKINS, Assistant Diocesan Inspector.

"Mixed. The Scholars answered the questions well but the repetition was rather limited in amount. The written work of the Scholars in the second or highest division was only fairly done."

"Infants. The Infants answered the questions put to them very nicely. And the texts and hymns were repeated very accurately and reverently. They are well and carefully taught."

J.B.H. HAWKINS, pro W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary and Manager.

The tabulated forms are all marked "good". E.C.S.

- Apr 2 Frank and Millie BLINMAN left without assigning any reason. Gone to "FEAR's" Timsbury, where they can attend as they like.
 6 Usual routine. Average for week = 62.2.
 9 Admitted 4 Fresh Scholars [*Arthur & Sidney HICKS and Arthur & Ernest TUCKER*].
 11 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, called. Have not seen him for some time (before Christmas).
 12 School Attendance Officer's son called for some papers his father left the previous day. Average for week = 67.3.
 16 Attendance very low. Children of the upper Classes busy helping their parents in the gardens etc. Attendance Officer neglects to look after them.
 20 Ordinary routine. Average for w'k = 65.3.
 23 Heard that Gertrude SAGE had gone to "FEAR's" with her sister. She attends so irregularly that she cannot make any progress either here or there.
 25 Mr PIKE called and paid 15s/8d for paupers' fees.

April 30. I have this day visited the school, counted the numbers present and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- May 4 Ordinary progress. Average = 57.2.
 7 Examined 5th St. in their Recitation and the meaning of the words.
 9 Third Standard said their poetry well.
 11 Ordinary progress. Average = 61.8.
 14 Sent after absentees.
 16 School Attendance Officer called with Summonses for signature. Signed two - the others had left this school for another.
 18 Broke up for Whitsun Holidays. Average 59.4.

1888 May 28th. I have visited the School this day, tested the numbers present & found them correct. Heard two of the Classes read, and recite some Poetry. The reading and recitation were both correct - the latter very - but the emphasis was too much on the small words and the intonation of voice too monotonous. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.

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- May 28 Re-opened the School this morning after the Whitsun holidays - many absent.
 30 Mr PIKE, School Attendance Officer, visited.
 Jun 1st Average for w'k = 60.4.
 4 Attendance improved. The upper Standards very irregular.
 8 Average for the week = 67.2.
 13 School Attendance Officer brought some "Forms" for signature.
 15 School Attendance Officer called for the "Forms" mentioned above.
 18 Girls in the Fifth & Third Standards very irregular.
 21 Rev'd The Vicar visited for a short time. Sent home Enoch CURTIS to wash himself - so dirty; returned in a short time much improved.

June 21st. I have this day visited the school, tested the numbers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.

- Jun 22 Ordinary progress - the attendance has improved in the upper standards and also their attainments. Very many absent that sho'd attend. Average for the week = 63.5.

24 -

June 25. Visited the school this day. Examined the 1st Standard in composition - v.g., The lower standards in writing on slates - g. and subtraction rather slow but correct in their work. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.

- Jun 27 Several of the Children got very wet going home from school. Some not able to attend in the afternoon. Attendance Officer did not call although in the neighbourhood.

29 End of School year. Average for the year = 62.1.

Recitations for approval.

St'd I "All things bright & beautiful"

St'd II "It is summer"

St'd III "Lucy Gray"

St'd IV "Ellen Moore"

St'd V The Excursion, "I journeyed to think of me"

St'd VI Same as V with 50 additional lines.

R.F. CURRY.

1888-9

- Jul 2 Several absent that should be at School - the excuses are frivolous.
 6 Average for the week = 61.5.
 9 Ordinary progress. Some in School to-day that were absent last week.
 11 Attendance Officer visited to-day with fresh "Forms" for signature.
 13 Sent after absentees. Average for w'k 63.3.
 16 Sent after absentees. Fair attendance.
 18 School Attendance Officer visited.
 20 Ordinary progress. Average 71.9. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited.
 23 Schools examined by H.M. Inspectors Messrs CURRY and NORRIS. Rev. E.C. STREETEN present during the examination.
 26 Broke up for the Summer Holidays - one month.
 27 Sent over the Registers for 1887-8 & also the Schedule.

1888 August 10. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School, and remarks (if any) to be made".

Mixed School. "The children were in very fair order and they sang nicely. Reading was lacking in fluency and intelligence. Writing was fairly good, but spelling was weak. Arithmetic was very weak in the upper standards. The class subject was, on the whole, fairly known. Needlework was good."

Infants' School. "The infants were in nice order, and, though the first and second classes seemed to be somewhat backward in Reading and Spelling, their general progress appeared to be satisfactory. They answered intelligently the questions on the object lesson, and said some dialogues and Recitations very nicely."

"The defects in instruction mentioned in H.M. Inspector's Report upon the Mixed Department should engage the serious attention of it's Teacher (Article 115 [i]).

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F.E. MEREDITH is continued under Article 84.

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School - Miss Florence E. MEREDITH.

Mistress of the Infant School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, Certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Aug 27 Re-opened School after one month's holidays with a fair attendance. Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited.
- 29 Attendance somewhat decreased owing to a tea-party held at the Chapel Sunday School, where several of the children attend.
- 31 Average low, being only 60.8.
- Sep 3 Very fair attendance today.
- 7 Usual routine throughout the week.
- 10 Attendance improved in the lower Classes, but low in the upper ones.
- 14 Children helping their parents to get in the potatoes. Average 52.3.
- 17 Attendance Officer too ill to look up absentees.
- 21 Average very low. For the week = 50.5.
- 24 Slight increase in the attendance.
- 27 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited the Schools just before opening and saw the state they were in. Very dusty.
- 28 End of quarter. Average = 58.1.
- Oct 1 Names transferred from Infants' School.
- 4 School-rooms not so dusty after sweeping as previous week.
- 5 Average for week = 74.7.
- 8 Fires commenced in School. The attendance slightly improved.
- 10 First Class improving in their work.
- 12 The attendance improving without the aid of Attendance Officer. Average for the week = 75.9.
- 16 Holiday to prepare for "Missionary Meeting" held same evening.
- 17 Application was made by Mrs PIKE for an absentee list for the first time since July; represented the uselessness of making any returns when they were not called for; said her husband had been ill & that her boy could distribute Notices; said she had forgotten to call.
- 19 Attendance good, progress made throughout the week. Average 77.8.
- 23 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited, who wished to know the total number of children on Registers, which was, Mixed Sch'l 96 and Infants 66. = 162.
- 24 Mrs PIKE called for an absentee list which had been prepared.
- 25 Average for the week = 76. Slightly lower than the preceding week.
- Oct 29. I have this day visited the school, tested the numbers present and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.
- Oct 31 Mrs PIKE called to pay the School-fees of those Children who receive relief.
- Nov 2 Average for the week = 77.4.
- 7 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN brought 6 doz. Slate pencils and 4 doz. Ex. Books. In the afternoon sent home Martha DIX for her School-money. She is in the habit of coming without it.
- 9 73 pres't, a good attendance for such a wet morning. Average for the week = 78.3.
- 12 Very good attendance. Wet day. Admitted Eliz'th Ann HOWE & Tho's SAGE.
- 14 Ordinary progress.
- 16 Average for the week = 74.
- 19 A very full attendance.
- 21 Ordinary progress. Enq'd after absentees.
- 23 Average for the week 78.5.
- 28 Holiday. Re-opening of Church after Restoration. Took about 90 scholars to Church - Lord Bishop of Bath & Wells preached in the morning & Rev'd Mr STRONG, vicar of Chippenham, in the evening.
- 30 Holiday - To prepare School-room for Treat for Sunday Scholars, Choir, and a few friends. Given by Mrs [Henrietta] SCOBELL and Mrs [Mary] COX, in honour of the Re-opening of the above. Average for the three days = 81.1.
- Dec 3 Ordinary progress. Good attendance.
- 5 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited the Schools to ascertain, if possible, who had lost a purse.
- 7 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 81.3.

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1888

- Dec 10 Attendance fairly good in the upper classes.
 14 Average for the week = 77.7.
 17 Admitted two boys from Paulton of the name of HANSFORD [*James and Crossman HANSFORD*].
 20 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited morning and afternoon. Blankets distributed after morning School. There were 74 pres't in the morning & 71 in afternoon.
- Dec 20. I visited the school morning & afternoon this day, tested the numbers of scholars presnt by the Registers and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

1889

- Jan 7 Re-opened School with an attendance of 74 in the morning and 78 in the afternoon.
 9 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited this afternoon. Ernest TUCKER came in too late to be registered.
 11 Good attendance throughout the week. Average 73.9.
 15 Ordinary progress.
 18 Average attendance 75.9. This evening Enoch CURTIS was slightly punished for cutting the desk.
 21 Fair attendance - should be better as many are absent without excuse; a few are absent owing to measles.
 25 Average for the week = 76.

1889 1st February (Friday afternoon). Visited School "W.N." Found 69 present out of 97 on books. The Registers should be marked and closed by the time fixed on the Time Table. Sidney NORRIS, Assistant to H.M.I.

- Feb 1 There was a Tea-meeting held at the Wesleyan Schools, Paulton, which caused a decrease in the attendance in the School this afternoon. Schools visited by S. NORRIS Esq. who made the foregoing entry on the bottom of page 472. Registers marked a little later than usual owing to the marking of the Paupers' attendance Cards first, instead of after, which has always hitherto been done. Average for week = 75.5.
 4 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited this morning and tested the Registers. Fire larger than usual, owing to the very severe weather. One little girl, Florence BICKHAM, was very sick, owing to the cold. Roof of Water-tank shed blown off by the violent wind of last night.

The above entry correct. Number of scholars found to be correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- Feb 8 Average for the week = 76.2.
 12 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited in the morning and brought the notice that the Diocesan Inspector would examine the Schools Feb 28 in the afternoon. Holiday in the afternoon for the "Pastoral Aid" meeting.
 15 Weather very unfavourable all the week - a great deal of snow on the ground, which operated upon the attend'ce of the school. Average for the week = 58.4.
 18 Ordinary progress. Attainments improving with those that are regular.
 22 Average for the week = 76.8.
 25 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, the Vicar, visited in the morning and asked the children several questions in Scripture.
 28 School examined in Scripture etc. by Rev'd Mr MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector. Children acquitted themselves fairly well. All the slates of the III Standard were marked "G" and "V.G." They all had something difficult to write.
- Mar 1 Average for the week = 75.
 4 Heavy fall of snow. School not held.
 8 School held only on Tuesday & Thursday. Owing to the snow, Children could not attend. Average = 54.7.
 11 Snow having cleared off, a better attendance in consequence.
 15 Fine weather having set in, many absent helping their parents to clear the ground before planting. Aver'e 76.3.
 18 New Attendance Officer visited. He asked for the names of a few of the children that attended most irregularly.
 20 Gave the Attendance Officer a prepared list of Absentees. It is hoped he will visit the parents and impress upon them the necessity of regularity of attendance, and try not to frighten them by sending them notices.

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Mar 22 Holiday in the Afternoon to prepare for lecture etc. Average for week = 75.3.

March 22. The following is a Copy [of] the "General Report of the Schools" made by the Rev. W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector, Feb 28th 1889.

"Mixed. Standard I, II came out well under their Teacher's quiet questioning, and a good proportion of the elders acquitted themselves creditably with full repetition of Parables & Catechism accurately given. Written work from memory - good especially some of the Catechism on slate & paper. Private Prayers known and reverently repeated.

Infants. While some in the Infant Class answered quickly & well, it would have been more satisfactory had more of them made effort to answer with the industrious ones. Repetition with this class sufficient & good. (I think there has been the desire, not without success, to act upon the suggestion about amount of Repetition given last year.)

W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector." Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary & Manager.

In the Tabulated Form, Mixed are all marked g. or v.g., Infants f., v.f. & g. E.C.S.

Mar 25 Ordinary progress. Weather being unfavourable keeps many away from school that would otherwise attend.

29 Average for the week = 76.3. For q'r = 73.6.

Apr 1 Took off two boys & three girls from the 1st Class Register.

5 Average for the week = 78.5.

8 Find upon enquiry that several of the children are helping their parents in their gardens.

12 Average something less than previous week from various causes. Average 74.2.

15 Ordinary progress. Sent after absentees.

19 Good Friday. Holiday. Average for the week = 73.6.

22 Easter Monday. Small attendance in the Upper Standards.

24 Holiday in the Afternoon.

26 Attendance fairly good throughout the week. Average = 68.

29 Small attendance of boys in the First Class, only four being present.

May 3 Usual routine. Average for w'k = 70.7.

6 Full attendance. Ex'd 4th & 5th Standards in Arith'c with fair results.

9 Ex'd 3rd St'd in Dictation & Arith'c with very good results.

10th Average = 75.7.

15 Ex'd 4th & 5th in Tables & Mental Arithmetic.

17 Scholars progressing favourably. Average for the week = 72.3.

22 Attendance Officer called and paid 9/8 for pauper Children which should have been paid long ago.

24 Attendance good throughout the week, average being 72.5.

May 27. I have visited the School this morning, tested the numbers of Pupils present and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

May 29 Ordinary progress. Ex'd 5th & 4th & 3rd Stand's in Dictation & Reading with fair results.

31 School visited by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, who brought Form 8 M for filling. Approximate number for Examination were as follows:
St. 1 = 10+15, St. II = 10+12, St. III = 10+11, St. IV = 4+8, St. V = 5+2.
Total 39+48 = 87.

Usual routine throughout the week. Average = 74.5.

Jun 3 Ordinary progress. Few in attendance in the First Class in the afternoon.

6 Only four boys pres't in first Class this Afternoon.

7 Broke up School for Whitsun Holidays From June 10th to June 17th. Average for week = 74.

17 Re-opened School. Some of the Children indolent in their work.

21 School fairly attended throughout the week.

22 Average = 76.

25 Attendance slightly improved.

28 Last day of School Year. There has been a steady increase in the last quarter. Average for w'k 71.9. Average for the year = 71.2.

Recitations for Approval.

St'd I "Good night and Good morning" = 24 lines.

St'd II "Compassion" = 40 lines.

St'd III "The Village Blacksmith" 48

"Harvest Home" 24 72 lines.

St'd IV "Ellen More" 84 lines.

St'd V The Excursion, "The Wanderer" = 100 lines.

"I journeyed back this way" = 150 lines.

St'd VI Same as V with 50 additional lines.

Approved. R.F. CURRY.

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1889

- Jul 1 Rev'd Mr HALLETT, Vicar of Dunkerton, visited the Schools during the morning.
 5 Ordinary progress throughout the week. Average for the week = 77.5.
 10 Rev. Mr STREETEN visited the School and brought some Books.
 12 Very fair attendance throughout the week. Average = 75.9.
 16 Examined 3rd & 4th in their Recitations. They say them perfectly.
 17 Examined 5th Standard in their Recit'n, they know it well.
 19th Average = 75.9.
 23 Rev'd The Vicar visited for a short time.
 24 Schools examined by H.M. Inspectors; Rev'd Mr STREETEN present. There were 90 children in attendance - only one absent.
 27 Very many absent helping with hay.
 29 Ordinary progress.
 31st Broke up School for four weeks holidays.
 Aug 2 School Treat for the Day Scholars with distribution of prizes.

1889 August 10. Copy of the "Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School and remarks (if any) to be made".

Mixed School. "The children are in good order. The work of the three lower standards is satisfactory, but that of the fourth and fifth standards is very poor, especially Arithmetic, in which subject an improvement must be shown next year in order to retain a merit grant. The Recitations were nicely known. Grammar was fair. Needlework good."

Infants' School. "The infants are in good order. They have been carefully taught and have made good progress in the elementary subjects. The questions on the Object lesson were intelligently answered, and some pieces of Recitation were nicely said."

"F.E. MEREDITH is continued under Article 84."

Master of the Mixed School - Mr John Colston MEREDITH, certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Assistant Teacher of the Mixed School, Miss Florence Emma MEREDITH under Article 84.

Mistress of the Infants' School - Mrs Emma Anne MEREDITH, certificated Teacher of the First Class.

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Correspondent.

- Sep 2 School re-opened after four weeks vacation. Very many left to go to work - some even before properly qualified to do so.
 6 Average for the week = 61.6.
 11 Service in Church and collections made in aid of the Schools. Schoolmaster's Mother died in the Afternoon. Schools closed in consequence till following Monday.
 16 Fair attendance. Gave an examination in Arith'c to 1st and 2nd Classes.
 20 Average atten'ce for the week = 58.6.
 23 Wrote to H.M. Inspector, R.F. CURRY Esq'r about some boys, who had been employed at the Shoe Factory without Certificates.
 24 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited.
 25 Punished Lambert DIX for throwing stones. There were 83 pres't this morning, but not so many in the afternoon altho' fine.
 27 Schools have worked steadily throughout the week. Average = 64.4.

Sep 30. I have visited the School this day, tested the numbers, & found them correct. Also heard a Hymn repeated correctly. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.

Sep 30 Punished Arthur TUCKER for kicking a girl in the side. Rec'd a reply from Rev'd H.B. BARRY in reference to two boys, who had been illegally employed.

Oct 1 Enoch CURTIS broke the fastening off the Infants' School door which had only recently been put on. As he is one of the worst boys in the School the matter was laid before Mr STREETEN.

4 End of School quarter. Average = 64.9. Average for quarter 69.5. An excess of 11.4 over corresponding quarter of last year.

7 Full attendance. Transferred the children from the Infants Register.

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- Oct 9 Holiday to prepare for Missionary Meeting.
 10 Rev'd Mr STREETEN and Rev'd Mr WILLIAMSON visited and heard the Children sing.
 11 Rev'd Mr STREETEN visited in the Afternoon. School has been well attended throughout the week; more help is wanting. Average for the week = 79.7.
 14 Attendance good especially in the First Class. Ex'd 4th Standard in Arithmetic; they are improving.
 17 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and gave notice there would be a Meeting in the Schoolroom on the following Wednesday. The Lecture was to be given by J. BUTCHER Esq'r on "The Reformation".
 18 School well attended throughout the week. Average 79.6. Fires began on Monday but were discontinued two days afterwards, owing to the weather being milder.
 21 Ordinary progress. School well attended.
 22 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and requested that a holiday be given on Wednesday.
 23 Holiday to prepare room for lecture.
 24 Mr BAKER from London called in to see the Schools and to hear the children sing.
 25 Progress has been fairly satisfactory. Attendance also has been fairly good. The average for the week = 79.6.
 28 Ordinary progress. Good attendance. Frank HILLMAN & Cha's CARTER still attending half-time, although the Attendance Committee has been written to by the Inspector. Week after week is still passing and nothing done. If the Employers were fined it would put a stop to the children being employed without a Certificate.
 29 One of the children came in in the afternoon too late to be registered.
 30 Copy-Book writing improving.
- Nov 1 Ordinary progress. Average 78.1.
 4 Usual routine. Fires re-commenced.
 6 Sent the Total Numbers of Children to Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, which were as follows:
 Mixed School = 96, Infants' School = 73. [Total] 169.
 8 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 76.8.
 11 No fire made in Mixed School although plenty of coal - Weather fine.
 13 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited in the afternoon. He brought me 600 Slate pencils.
 15 School routine as usual. Average 77.7.
 18 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN came in for a few minutes. He brought some new dusters. Usual routine.
 19 School Attendance Officer called at 2 p.m. just as School was about to be opened, which interfered with the work of the Sch'l.
 22 Full School. The children are working satisfactorily. Average for week = 76.1.
 25 Many absent to-day, parents having gone to Temple shop to make purchases for Christmas from their Club-cards.
 29 Very cold, causing a slight diminution in the attendance. Average = 74.3.
- Dec 2 Ordinary progress.
 9th Rec'd a jar of ink from Rev'd E.C. STREETEN.
 12th Heard the various Standards repeat their poetry. Average for w'k 74.2.
 16 Schools visited by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN. Ordinary progress.
 18 Blankets given away to the poor of the parish by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN and Mr COX, Church Warden. The distribution took place after Morning School.
 20 Schools broke up this afternoon for two weeks' holidays. From Dec 23rd to Jan 6/'90.

1890

- Jan 6 Readmitted Beatrice JAMES. She has been to other Schools for some considerable time.
 10 Sickness prevailing in the district has had a great influence in the attendance. Average = 63.5.
 13 Usual routine. Attendance has slightly improved. Sickness continues.
 17 There has been an irregular attendance throughout the week amongst some of the scholars. Average 69.4.
 23 Rev. E.C. STREETEN visited and tested the Registers and found them correct with one exception and that girl was in the other room. She had come in through the Infants' entrance.

The preceding entry is correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

Jan 31st. Visit W.N. Owing to illness only 30 of 88 on the books. There was one mistake in the Registers. Absences should be marked, before the Registers are closed. H.B. BARRY, H.M. Inspector.

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1890

Jan 31st Sickness having prevailed throughout the week the average is only 41.6.
 Feb 3 Several of the parents of the children are sick, as well as the children I find upon enquiry, so that there is a diminished attendance in consequence.
 7 Average for the week = 44.8.
 10 Admitted Ellen TAYLOR from Clutton School. She knows nothing. Not fit scarcely for the first Standard but only her age qualifies her for it.
 14 Few in School. Several fresh cases of the epidemic. Average for w'k 49.2.
 17 Ordinary progress. Few in School. Several fresh cases of the prevailing epidemic.
 19 Ash Wednesday. Very few came to go to Church. Holiday in Afternoon.
 21 Kate MAIDMENT has been more than half of her time, during the last fortnight away from school. Called the Attendance Officer's attention to it. He took a note of it when he visited this afternoon. Average for the w'k 50.
 24 Admitted Rhoda PURNELL from Clutton School. Schools visited by Rev'd E.C. STREETEN.
 27 Ordinary progress. School very poorly attended owing to much sickness.
 Mar 1 The attendance has been slightly better than the few previous weeks, some having returned to school. Many of these are scarcely well enough to attend (to attend) to their lessons. Last Monday Rev'd Mr STREETEN brought a box of Chalk, 2 boxes of pens & Foolscap paper etc. Average for the week = 62.9.
 3 Fair attendance - several of the children having returned to school after their illness.
 7 Holiday in the afternoon to prepare for Pastoral Aid Meeting. Average for w'k = 63.6.
 10 Examination by Rev'd Mr HAWKINS, Diocesan Assistant Inspector. Rev'd E.C. STREETEN present during the examination. The Teachers and Scholars only partially recovered from Russian influenza - Master still ill.
 14 School conducted throughout the week by the Mistress, Mrs E.A. MEREDITH. Average for the week = 62.1.

March 14. The following is a Copy of the "General Report of the Schools" made by the Rev. J.B.H. HAWKINS, Assistant Diocesan Inspector, March 10th 1890.

Mixed School. "The children have answered well and especially so considering that many have up to this been absent from influenza. The written work was fair.

Infants. The children have answered satisfactorily but in consequence of influenza there were a great many absentees.

J.B.H. HAWKINS pro W. MICHELL, Diocesan Inspector."

Edm'd C. STREETEN, Secretary & Manager.

In the Tabulated Forms Mixed are all mark[ed] G. but 3 which are F. Infants all G. E.C.S.

Mar 19 School Atten'ce Officer called, gave him some names of absentees.
 21 Many are ill still and unable to attend in consequence. Average = 64.4.
 24 First Class, somewhat attended better, still room for improvement.
 28 Arthur EVANS, Frank HILLMAN, Florence SLADE, and Lily TUCKER absent most of the w'k. Average = 64.7.
 31 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited. Usual routine.
 Apr 4 Good Friday. No School held. Average for the week = 64.5. Average for the quarter = 58.3.
 7 Easter Monday. School held, but very few in attendance. All the other schools in the neighbourhood were closed for the day. Bank Holiday.
 9 School Attendance Officer called for a few particulars.
 11 The attendance throughout the week has been very fair with the Girls but indifferent with the Boys. Average for the week = 59.8.
 14 Very fair attendance in the upper Classes; still many suffering from Colds etc.
 17 School Attendance Officer called - he had a few names given him to look up.
 19 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 66.
 21 Fires discontinued - Weather a little warmer.
 22 Sent home Fred'k SMITH for his School money, but he did not return. He owes three weeks. It has been his custom to do this, otherwise he would not have been sent home.
 25 Very wet morning, few in School - better attendance in the afternoon. Average for the week = 61.7.
 28 Upper Standards poor in attendance - all busy planting potatoes.

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- Apr 29 Admitted Matilda BRIDGES from Farmborough School.
 May 2 The attendance has slightly increased on the past week. Average = 65.7.
 5 Full attendance all day. School Attendance Officer visited and paid the fees for the pauper Children.
 8 Some trouble in the morning in rearranging the forms for the classes.
 9 Ordinary progress. Average for w'k = 69.4.
 12 Fair attendance - progressing very fairly in their Arithmetic etc.
 14 Very few in attendance in the first Class.
 15 Had to punish Frederick HARES for attempting to strike Miss MEREDITH with his slate and did actually throw a small piece of pencil at her, which struck her in the eye.
 16 Ordinary progress. Average for week = 71.8.
 20 Rev'd the Vicar brought over 600 Slate pencils for School, and other things.
 23 Half Holiday in Afternoon. Average for w'k 72.4. Broke up School for the usual Whitsun Holidays of one week, From May 26th to June 2nd.

1890 Jun 3. I have visited the School this day, tested the numbers of scholars present and found them correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN.

- Jun 4 Very fair attendance - Scholars working well. Few are irregular - no remedy as the Attendance Officer does not visit only when it suits him.
 6 Rev'd E.C. STREETEN visited and brought some Books etc. Average for w'k = 73.5.
 10 Few in School owing to wet weather and a Tea-meeting at Rotcombe Chapel.
 11 Very wet. Ordinary progress.
 13 Average for the week = 68.3.
 16 Ordinary progress. Boys in the upper Standards attend indifferently.
 19 Treat of Choir to Portishead, which was the cause of several being absent from school.
 20 Ordinary progress. Average for the week = 68.3.
 23 Very fair attendance - 80 pres't in the afternoon. Ex'd 3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th Standards in their Recitations, which were well done.

June 24. I have this day visited the School, heard some of the children read, tested the numbers present, found one had left before the time required, and had his name erased; the rest I found correct. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Manager.

- Jun 24 Lambert DIX went home during the play-time which will account for the above entry. Farmborough Revels this day, which caused a decrease in the attendance.
 25 Wet day - many absent in consequence.
 26 Examined VI, V, IV and III Standards in their Recitations which they do well. Heard also in the afternoon the 1st Standard recite their poetry which was well said. Children have worked very well during the week. Average = 70.8. The School Attendance Officer called on Wednesday, but as those children whose names had been prepared for him were now attending school, they were not given.

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