

THE
LOG BOOK,

(To be kept by the principal Teacher)

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CHAPTER II. PART 1 SECTION 1.

55. *In every school receiving annual grants is to be kept, besides the ordinary registers of attendance –*

- (a) A diary or log-book..*
- (b) A portfolio wherein may be laid all official letters, which should be numbered (1, 2, 3 &c) in the order of their receipt*

Diary or Log Book of School

56. *The diary or log-book must be stoutly bound and contain not less than 500 ruled pages.*

57. *The principal teacher must daily make in the log-book the briefest entry which will suffice to specify either ordinary progress, or whatever other fact concerning the school or its teachers, such as the dates of withdrawals, commencements of duty, cautions, illness, &c. may require to be referred to at a future time, or may otherwise deserve to be recorded.*

58. *No reflections or opinions of a general character are to be entered in the log-book.*

59. *No entry once made in the log-book may be removed nor altered otherwise than by a subsequent entry.*

60. *The inspector will call for the log-book at his annual visit, and will report whether it appears to have been properly kept throughout the year.*

61. *The inspector will not write any report on the good or bad state of the school in the log-book at the time of his visit, but will enter therein with his own hand the full name and standing (certificated teacher of the --- class, or pupil-teacher of the ---- year, or assistant-teacher) of each member of the school establishment. The inspector will not enter the names of pupil-teachers respecting whose admission the Committee of Council has not yet pronounced a decision.*

62. *The summary of the inspector's report when communicated by the Committee of Council to the managers must be copied into the log-book by the secretary of the latter, who must also enter the names and description of all teachers to be added to, or withdrawn from, those entered by the inspector, according to the decision of the Committee of Council upon the inspector's report. The secretary of the managers must sign this entry.*

63. *The inspector before making his entry of the school establishment in the following year will refer to his own entry made in the preceding year, and also to the entry which is required to be made by the secretary of the school pursuant to Article 62, and he will require to see entries in the log-book accounting for any sub-sequent change of the school establishment.*

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1862

Nov. 3rd Beginning of school year – wet – Revised Code

4 comes into operation.

5 New time table in operation

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18 Teacher absent from lessons with leave

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3 Teacher absent with leave

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8 Diocesan Inspection by Revd. Hingston

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17 Shooting at Lea – Miss Carwithen visited school

- 18 Do
 19 School closes for vacation – 1 week
 29 School duties commence - Attendance small – 85 classes re-arranged.
 30 Hooping Cough prevalent in parish.
 31 Five children absent with Hooping Cough
- 1863
- Jan 1st Very Wet - Introduced Dictation on Paper
 2 5 minutes late myself morning – Holiday in the afternoon as Sunday School Children took tea at Widdecombe House.
 5 Mistake in Registers by P. Teacher - Ellen Rhymes name not copied from Slate for whole week School closed at 3P.M. to prepare for Supper to the Choir.
 6 Holiday because of supper to Choir
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- Jan 7th Frost School commenced @ 10 A.M. – obliged to wait till remains of Supper etc. were cleared – Ten children absent in Hooping Cough – Colds very prevalent.
 8 P.T. absent both morning & afternoon with leave
 9 Miss Carwithen visited School A.M. Hooping Cough increases greatly.
- 12 Began teaching P.T. in the morning instead of After – noon – Hrs. from 7 till 8.30 a.m. in stead of 7 till 9 P.M. – Mistress 10 minutes late A.M. Wet – atten dance thin.
 13 Miss Carwithen visited School for 20 minutes A.M. 20 children absent in scarlet Fever & Hooping Cough.
 14 Miss Newman & Lady Friend visited School P.M. – usual Progress
 15 P.T. absent from Lessons in morning – (ill)
 16 Miss Carwithen visited school. 30 Boys & girls absent through illness – Hooping Cough Scarlet Fever & Chicken Pox.
- 19 40 absent in Hooping Cough &c. Wet
 20 Wet
 21 Wet
 22 Wet
 23 New Books first used in Lower Classes.
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- Jan. 26 Children first make their appearance after Hooping Cough – About 30 still home.
 27 Usual progress.
 28 Miss Carwithen visited school P.M.
 29 Wet Usual Progress
 30 Wet Usual Progress

- Feb. 2nd Hooping Cough & Colds still abound.
 Very Wet – attendance 85 A.M. **Caution**
 “Take care that those who have returned to school after having had the Hooping Cough do not run about in the wet during the Dinner Hour but have a seat near the Fire.”
- 3 Ascertained the exact ages of all the Children & placed them on Register as well as date of birth. 95 P.M.
- 4 Very Wet
- 5 Do. Holiday among the Juveniles of Locality in Consequence of singing Feast & Hunting.
- 6 2 Children taken ill in school.
- 9 Revd. J. C. Carwithen visited School in afternoon
- 10 Do. Colds still prevail but to a more limited extent.
- 11 Usual Progress

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- Feb. 12th Many absent children whose colds are much Improved employed in agricultural operations. e.g. driving plough – planting potatoes & preparing the soil to receive them.
- 10 Usual Progress
- 16th - Dry – Usual Progress
- 18 Do Church on Ash Wednesday A.M.
- 19 Do
- 20 Do
- 23 25 boys & girls employed planting potatoes etc. Fine
- 24 Do. Usual Progress
- 25 Do. Church A.M.
- 26 Do. Usual Progress
- 27 Do. Do.
- March. 2 Thin attendance from above cause.
- 3 Do.
- 4 Church A.M. As usual
- 5 Usual Progress
- 6 Do.
- 9 Unusually thin attendance consequent on preparations for Festivity.
- 10 Holiday in celebration of Marriage H.R.H. Prince Wales and Princess Alexandra
- 11 Attendance very small
- 12 Do.

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- March 13th Attendance thin
- 16th Do. Very Fine
- 17th Do. Do.
- 18 Extremely Wet
- 19 Fine
- 20 Wet
- 23 Very Fine. D. Barton played truant punished severely as 2nd offence
- 24 Do. Attendance thin – P.T. absent in morning

from Lessons with Leave
 25 Church A.M Browse played truant – severely punished
 by his father & cautioned by me.
 26 Chadder Thos. Played truant – Severely punished with
 stick & kept in.
 27 As usual
 30 Attendance much better. Entered 5 new Scholars.
 April 1st Do. As usual
 April 2nd Church A.M.
 3rd As usual
 4 Good Friday – Holiday
 7 P.T. absent in morning from Lessons without leave (sick)
 8 Usual progress – Attendance thin it being Stokenham Fair
 9 P. Teacher absent without leave
 10 Usual Progress
 11 Do.

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April 13 Great number of admissions – Large School
 14 As Usual Attendance very numerous
 15 Do. Do.
 16 Miss Carwithen visited School
 17 Usual progress

 20 Admitted 6 – attendance thin.
 21 As usual Attendance large
 22 Do.
 23 Do.
 24 Do.
 27 Attendance Large – Weather Fine – As usual
 28 As usual
 29 Teacher absent from Lessons with sore throat in mor-
 ning – Miss Carwithen visited & examined Scholars.
 30 Usual progress
 May 1st As usual – P.T. absent from School in afternoon
 With swollen face – tooth ache etc.

4 P.T. ill – absent from Lessons & school with swollen
 face – Miss Carwithen.
 5 P.T. ill – Great no. of Children ill in Scarletina
 & Sore Throat
 6 Do.
 7 P. T. absent from Lessons but in School
 8 Do. Do.

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11 Usual progress. Many children ill
 12 Do. Wet. Att. Thin
 13 Very Wet – Attendance thin
 14 Usual Progress
 15 Do. Wet

18	Attendance good – Weather Fine
19	Very wet – Att. Very thin
20	Very wet – Do. P.T. absent to be confirmed at Kingsbridge. Absent from Lessons in morning.
21	P.T. absent in morning without leave from Lessons
22	Many children ill in Scarletina.
25	Whitmonday – Att. Thin.
26	Fair on Sands. Attendance thin as a consequence
27	Procession of Foresters & Fete at Kingsbridge – att. Thin as a consequence
28	Many children engaged in agricultural operations
29	Do. Usual Progress
June 1 st	Attendance small – many children ill with Scarletina
2	Many children employed in farming Potatoes etc.
3	As Usual
4	Do. Wet
5	Do. Do.
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8 th	Attendance Very Large – Fine
9	Do. Do. – School mistress absent to bury her brother at Exeter. Miss Carwithen
10 th	Wet – School mistress absent – Attendance thin
11	Wet – Attendance very good – School mistress resumes duty
12	Very wet – Att. Good – as usual – Many children ill
15 th	Attendance Very good – Fine – P.T. abs't from lessons (Ill)
16	Very wet – Attendance good – as usual
17	Wet Do. – Many children ill.
18	T. Clark 3 rd Class died – was in school preceding Friday – reverted to it during the day & took occasion to point out the uncertainty of Life & necessity of watchfulness over all our words & actions.
19	W. Kellond 1 st Class played truant on Thursday A.M. for which he was kept in & has to make up for lost time and punished – Scarlatina still prevails to an unlimited extent.
22	Very wet. Rev.d J.C. Carwithen in School P.M.
23	P. T. absent from Lessons in Morning (Ill) Usual Progress
24	Usual Progress – Attendance Very Good
25	Do. Do.
26	P. T. absent from lessons in Morning (ill)

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- 29 Weather Very Fine – Many children absent hay-making and some of them carrying food etc. to their Parents. Both parents often haymaking & some of elder ones kept Home to cook etc.
- 30 Scarlatina still prevails but to a more limited extent – Bazaar at South Pool –
- July 1st School thin ascribable to prevailing illness – Haymaking
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| 2 nd | Do | Do |
| 3 rd | Do | Do |
- 6 School thin – Usual Progress
- 7 Do. Gave P. Teacher a holiday to assist his Father in haymaking as school had not the usual holiday on Whit Tuesday – absent from Lessons with Leave
- 8 P. T absent in morning from Lessons without leave.
- 9 Gave P. T Holiday in Afternoon to help his father about hay.
- 10 Usual Progress
- 13 Weather continues fine – Many children helping mothers in hay field & others keeping house while parents absent
- 14 School very full – Usual progress
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| 15 | Do | Do |
| 16 | Do | Do |
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- 17 As usual
- 20 School Full in Morning – Day very wet
- 21 Very wet – Attendance thin.
- 22 Fine – Attendance good – Usual Progress
- 23 P. T absent in the morning without leave (staid home to help his father) Attendance thin – Kingsbridge Fair.
- 24 Attendance good. Usual Progress. Miss Carwithen visited School & taught infants from 3.30 – 4 P.M.
- 27 School full but many of older boys employed on Farm labor.
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| 28 | Do | Do |
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- 29 Harvest first began in Parish
- 30 Miss Carwithen from 11.15 – 12 heard the 3rd Class read & spell – Gave P. T. half holiday in afternoon as father was called away
- 31st School closed at 5 P.M. instead of 4.30 as many children want to go home early & others come very late being employed by their parents to carry dinner etc. etc.
- August 3rd Attendance good – School closes at 5 through the whole of this week – Usual Progress.
- 4th Attendance good. Weather very damp & many of younger children absent in consequences.
- 5 Weather still continues damp – Nathaniel Prettyjohn

6th loitered from School - Punished by his father.
Unable to mark 8 children on register A.M. as they
came too late & wanted to go early. This is the

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7 first case in which I have had so many attendances to omit
P. T. absent from Lessons without leave – As Usual

10th Attendance small as Harvest is in full operation.
Many children late

11 Miss Carwithen heard 2nd class read from 11.15 till
11.30. – As usual

12 Attendance rather thin – children absent – gleaning

13 Do Do

14 School closes for Vacation – 2 weeks

31 School commences – Very wet. Harvest not finished
because of the heavy falls of rain last week
which causes a thin attendance. – P. T. absent
from Lessons in morning without leave.

September 1st Torcross Regatta – Whole holiday

2 School attendance very thin – Children
gleaning & this with the Torcross Regatta
& wetness of the weather operates very
unfavourably upon the attendance as
many parents think that their children
would only be able to attend 2 or 3 days
& they are unwilling to pay so much for so little time.

3 Attendance thin – Wet – Totnes Races

4 Do - P.T. absent with leave assisting
in gathering Harvest

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Sept 7 P. T. comes in evening to receive lessons – Time appointed
From 6 – 8. School still thin from same causes
as last week. Nearly all the last week was
wet consequently harvest no further advanced.

8 Wet – Attendance thin – Usual Progress

9th Wet Do Do

10 Fine – School thin

11th Fine Do

14 School thin – Fine weather & nearly half children
absent gleaning & taking up Potatoes

15 Do - Weather Fine

16 Do Do

17 Do Do

18 Do Do

21 Wet morning – School attendance much bet
ter. Frank Ball died on night between 20th &
21st. Was in school on Thursday last.

22 School attendance good. Wet – Miss Carwithen taught 3rd class

- 23 School attendance 'good' – Fine – Many boys
& girls still employed apple & potato
picking.
- 24 Many children ill in Scarlet Fever – Wet
- 25 Attendance good – Usual Progress
- 28 Attendance very good. Many children still ill.

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- and many others engaged potatoe & apple
picking
- Sep 29 Attendance Very good – Usual Progress
- 30 Do Do
- Oct 1 Very wet & attendance consequently somewhat thin
- 2 Weather Fine – Usual progress
- 5 Usual progress – Attendance good
- 6 Do Do
- 7 Wet – Miss Carwithen
- 8 Attendance good
- 9 School Full
- 12 Usual progress. Many of elder girls kept
home on Mondays to wash & boys to fetch
water.
- 13 Arthur Ball died of scarlet Fever. School full.
- 14 Usual progress. Att. Good
- 15 Scarlet Fevers still prevail in different
parts of the Parish. Usual Progress
- 16 Usual progress
- 19 Attendance rather thin as is generally the
case mondays. Fine
- 20 Att.ce good – many children sick – others picking
apples.
- 21 Usual Progress

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- 22 Very wet – smaller children unable to attend.
- 23 Do. - Usual progress
- 26 Very wet & cold
- 27 Usual progress. Att. Thin
- 28 Do - Do
- 29 Very Wet Do.
- 30 Do. Do. Usual progress

Last day of School Year & end of 1st Year of
Revised Code

Nov. 2nd First day of School year. – Wet – attendance fair.
- Very wet weather greatly diminishes the attendance especially in the Lower standards as much the largest proportion of the children come from distances varying from one mile to four. Many of these children are small & the roads generally are not thoroughly macadamized.

3rd Very Wet

4th Wet. Revd. J. C. Carwithen visited School.
Heard 1st Class read in Bibles & overlooked dictation in 1st & 2nd Class.

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Nov. 4th Wet. As Usual

5th Very Wet. P.M. Afternoon attendance thin.

9th Attendance Fairly good. Fine dry weather

10th Very wet. Attce. Thinner than on previous day

11th Ringing match at Stokenham which drew away many from School. Wet A.M.

12th Fine – Attce. Fair. Many children seize the opportunity of a fine day to pick apples

13th Weather fine. Many children abst. From causes mentioned on 12th inst. Individually exam.d each child in Text of Catechism – each Child perfect in V, IV, & III. Standards – many absent in each of these Standards. Rec.d notice of Inspection

16th Very wet. Attendance very fair.

17 Wet. Attendance Fair

18 Fine – Attendance Fair. Usual Progress. P.T. absent to pass his examination at Kingsbridge.

19 Fine – as usual

20 Examination.

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Nov. 20th Joseph Light. Certificated Teacher
Of the 2nd Division of the 2nd Class
George P. Shepherd. Pupil Teacher of the 3rd year.

E. P. Arnold H. M. I.

Caution Take care that each class be kept distinct on Register as per standard – That each child be placed in the same order as the names are written down in the Schedule e.g. if D. Bartons name be first on Schedule for grants, let D. Barton be placed 1st in class as it materially facilitates the business of Inspection, & so on with

- all the other boys presented. See also that windows be repaired at 1st convenience & if at any time the temperature of a room in the school is wanted to be ascertained go out into the fresh air for a moment & compare the results. Take particular notice of the Sacraments in the Catechism & vary the phraseology of the questions to the same as although I thought that the children really understood their Catechism & they really did understand it yet they could
- 18 not answer these when the phraseology of the questions was altered & when the questions were put in an unconnected form & not in the order they are put in Catechism. Mark Reg. Daily on book 1/4hr. before school closes If P.T. asks for Holiday refer to managers.
- 23 Weather Very Fine 120 A.M. P.M. Jnr. Mitchell. A. Quick & Jno. Weekes voted for hunting in preference to school
- 24 Reproved & punished the said A. Quick Jno Weeks & Jno Mitchell before the whole School
- 25 Usual progress
- 26 As usual – Attce. Good.
- 27 Attce good. Usual progress. Taught children a new song – “God Bless Prince etc.”
- 30th Weather Very Fine - Attce. Good
Dec. 1st Rain descends in torrents – Wind Blowing almost an Hurricane all day Attce. Thin.
- 2 Weather continues extremely rough – Very wet – 11 children home in scarlet fever & many in severe colds.
- 3 Fine A.M. Wet P.M. Shooting on Lea.
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4th Very Wet – Attce. Thin – A Clements took very ill in school of Scarlet Fever
- 7 Showery – Attce. Fair
- 8 Great Increase in sickness of children - Very wet Attendance Fair
- 9 Very wet – Usual progress
- 10 Very wet
- 11 Fine – Attce. Good
- 14 Fine – Attce. Good. – still many children (20) ill of Scarlet Fever & Bad Colds
- 15 Fine – Attce. Good
- 16 Wet A.M. Mistress absent A.M. – One of her

children ill of Scarlet Fever
 17 Very wet - Usual progress
 18 Fine – Many children taken ill in school

 21 Wet A.M. Attce. Fair
 22 Fine – Usual progress
 23 Fine Do
 24 Very wet – Attce. Thin – Usual progress
 25 Xmas Day – Holiday

 28 Very wet – attce. Thin in consequence
 29 Do Do Usual prog.ss
 30 Wet A.M.
 31 Very wet & boisterous. Many children ill.

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Jan 1st. 64 New Years day – Very wet. Attce. Thin
 4 The Usual Xmas Holiday takes
 5 place this week instead of Xmas week
 6 as formerly so that Supper on Twelfth
 7 Night might prove no hindrance to
 8 School duties.

 11 School resumes its duties. Weather
 unfavourable. Attce. Fair – Mistress absent
 with leave of Managers as her
 two children & husband are ill – the
 children of Scarlet Fever – Many
 other children ill
 12 Shooting on Ley – Very wet – Mistress
 absent
 13 Shooting on Ley – Fair weather
 Mistress absent
 14 Shooting on Ley – Fair weather
 Mistress absent
 15 Mistress absent Usual progress

 18 Mistress resumes duty – Fine. Usual progress
 19 Wet – Many children ill.
 20 Very Wet A.M. Usual progress
 21 Very Wet – Usual progress
 22 Do. Do.

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Report of Her Majesty's Inspector on the
Stokenham National School for the
Year ending No. 1st 63

*This is an excellent school – The
 discipline is very good: the children
 are cheerful and happy, and their
 attainments from the highest to*

*the lowest class are very satisfactory –
The elder children read with
remarkable clearness and precision
and know their Bible well”*

*J. C. Carwithen
Secretary*

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Jan 25th Wet. As Usual
26 Do. Do.
27 Fine – Usual progress
28 Do. Do.
29 Fine. Geo. Battershill played truant
for which punished with stick &
detained during dinner hour

Feb 1st Fine. Attce. Good. Usual progress
2nd Wet Do. Do.
3rd Wet A.M. Choir Hunt & Supper
many children hunting etc. Miss Carwithen
heard 4th & 5th class read in Testaments
4th Weather Fine & dry – Attce. Good
5th Do Do.

8th Very cold & Frosty. Many children absent
in consequence.
9 Do. Slight fall of snow which prevented
many younger children from attending
10 Ash Wednesday – Church from 11 till
12.20 A.M. One Lesson in morning
& part of another
11 Attce. Fair – Usual progress
12 Very wet – Many children ill with very
Bad colds.

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15 Usual progress. Windy & rainy. Many
children prevented from attending school
by reason of colds & sore feet.
16 Usual progress
17 Church from 11 Am – 12. Lost 1 lesson
18 Very Cold & severe frost
19 Do Do.

22 Very severe frost & Easterly wind –
Attendance thinner than usual
Especially in lower classes
23 Do Do. Very great
number of children ill with colds
24 Church A.M. from 11 – 12.30. Lost
two lessons – Weather still severe
25 Weather Very severe

26 Do.
29 Usual progress. P.T. absent from Lessons without leave – excuse – Father had a bad cow.

March 1st Usual progress Attce good
2 Church A.M. Loss 2 lessons
3 Very wet. Attce thin.
4 Fine but Dirty under foot – Many children ill in sore feet & colds

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March 7 Showery – Attce. Fair. Usual progress
8 Do Do. Do.
9 Church A.M. fr. 11 till 12 – Lost 1 lesson. No. of children absent planting potatoes & many ill.
10 Attce. Fair. Diocesan Inspector Revd. Dawson inspected school without giving any previous notice & expressed himself as much gratified with the results
11 Attce. Fair – Many children absent planting potatoes
14 Weather fine. Many children absent planting potatoes & preparing soil
15 Weather fine – Attce. Fair. Usual progress
16 Church A.M. Lost 2 lessons in morning. Make up for one of them in the afternoon by staying in over Time.
17 Usual progress. Very Fine
18 Very Fine – children get more irregular towards end of week.

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March 21st Unusually fine – Church A.M. Lost two lessons. Very many children absent potato planting - drawing manure & other agricultural labor.
22nd Fine. Church A.M. Lost 1 lesson Attce. Thin – children engaged in planting & assorting potatoes & preparing ground.
23rd Church A.M. lost 2 lessons. Attce. Thin as many children absent about Potatoes
24th Church A.M. Attce. Very Thin – from above causes. Lost 2 lessons. A.M. mistress absent with leave
25 Good Friday – Holiday
28 Easter Monday – Attce. Thin. – Large no. of children potato planting.

- 29 Stokenham Fair. Attce. Very Thin especially in the afternoon.
- 30 P.T. absent from Lessons in morning without leave – Excuse Bad Shoulder. Absent from School on above account all day.
- 31st P.T. absent from school & Lessons on above account. Great many absent potato planting.

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- April 1st School thin. Many children employed potatoe planting.
- 4th P.T. absent from Lessons – Sick – Usual progress
- 5th Boy took ill in School. Potato planting still carried on actively.
- 6th Usual progress
- 7 Do. Three or rather four children late who wanted particularly to go home early A.M. Not marked on Register
- 8 Usual progress
- 11 Weather Fine – Attce. Good
- 12 Do. Usual progress
- 13 Do. E. Wakeham played truant punished by Father – rebuked & exhorted by me.
- 14 Usual progress
- 15 Do. Many children still employed by their Fathers & Farmers in Field work.
- 18 Had occasion to speak to the whole school about behaviour of many in church on Sunday. Promised reformation.
- 19 Usual progress
- 20 Do.

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- April 21 Usual progress – School gets back many of the boys who have been long engaged planting potatoes
- 22 Usual progress
- 25 Attce. Good. Weather propitious
- 26 Usual progress
- 27 Do. Attce. Good
- 28 Do. Do.
- 29 Usual progress

- May 2nd Weather delightful - Attce. Good
- 3rd Do. Do.
- 4th Usual progress. Very Hot. Had ventilators opened in roof & windows repaired
- 5th Usual progress

6th Do.

May 9th School very full – not much doing in fields
 10 Usual progress – Attce. Good.
 11th Do. Do.
 12 Heat increases – Usual progress
 13th Do. Do.

16th Whitmonday – Fair in Sands – most children
 from South part of parish absent & many
 others keeping Holiday
 17 Review of Volunteers at Sands Hotel for to-
 morrow & Sands Fair today.

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May 18th Review takes place. Attce. Thin
 19 Attce. Thin – Usual progress
 20 Do Do.

23 Usual progress. Attce. Good
 24 Do. Do.
 25 5 children late which I was unable to mark
 in afternoon attendance
 26 Usual progress
 27 Do.

30th School full. Usual progress
 31st Many boys absent assisting their fathers to
 dig their potatoes. Showery

June 1st Showery. Usual progress.
 2nd Fete of the Rational Sick & Burial
 Association at Frogmore. Most of Frogmore
 children & Chillington children were
 Notaries of "Aunt Sally" Football & other
 Athletic games on the afternoon of this
 Day
 3rd Usual progress

6th Many boys absent still digging & hoe-ing potatoes
 7 Usual progress. School very full
 8 Do. Do.
 9 Rainy very. Usual progress

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10th Usual progress
 13 School Full. Usual progress
 14 Very wet. Attce in Lower classes very thin
 indeed – torrents of rain.
 15th Usual progress. Weather Finer
 16th Rainy. Usual progress. On this day there is an
 Odd Fellows Fete at Kingsbridge in Aid of
 Funds of Life Boat Society – many
 children there with their parents.
 17 Mistress absent with Leave of Managers

- whole day. School very Full
- 20th School very full – Usual progress
- 21 Do. Do.
- 22 Diocesan Inspection by Revd. W. Dawson who expressed himself as extremely well pleased
- 23 Wet & Very Windy. Attce. not so good.
- 24 Usual progress. Attce. not so good as early part of week
- 27 Great many children absent making hay – carrying drink to their fathers providing food etc. for parents Exd. 1st. Std. in Letters small
- 28 Attce Thin Exd. I Std in Figs.
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- June 29th Showery & unfit for Haymaking & mowing. Hence better attendance Exd. I. Std. in Letters small
- 30 Fine hence attce. Thinner than on previous day. Exd. I Std. in Figs
- July 1st Showery. Attce fair. Usual progress
- 4 Fine haymaking weather. Attce . thin. Exd. I Std In Letters – noticed improvement on last week.
- 5 Fine haymaking weather – Attce. Thin
- 6 Haymaking continues – Attce thin
- 7 Usual progress
- 8 Do
- 11 Haymaking continued – attce. Thin – Usual progress. Unable to make 8 boys on Register who were late
- 12 Attce slightly better. Usual progress
- 13 Do. Usual progress
- 14 Do. Do.
- 15 Attce. Thin – Children took tea in the afternoon at Widdicombe House – hence Half-holiday P.M.
- 18 Attce. Very fair. Made alteration in the Time-Table.
- 19 Usual progress. P.T. absent from Lessons in morning – ill Bad leg.
- 31**
- 20 Usual progress. Kingsbridge Fair hence many absent.
- 21 Ed. Wakeham played truant – punished by his father
- 22 Usual progress
- 25 School thin – Usual progress
- 26 Whole Holiday – Torcross Regatta – General time for keeping holidays – this has a depressing effect on the school for the

whole week.

27 School thin – Usual progress
 28 Do. Do.
 29 Do. Do.

Augt. 1st Weather Very fine – School attce. better
 2 Do. Do.
 3 Usual progress – many children
 ill – sore throats - & bad colds. Chicken
 pox prevails among small children of
 School
 4 Usual progress – Harvest begins
 5 Do. School very thin
 8 Many children absent assisting in the
 Harvest field – carrying drink
 Some gleaning
 9 Do. Usual progress

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Augt. 10th Usual progress. Attce thin from above
 causes
 11th Do. Master absent from
 duties with leave – School kept
 on by P.T. & mistress
 Do. Master absent

29 Resumes duty after a fortnights
 vacation – School very thin – Harvest
 scarcely finished
 30 School very thin – Dartmouth Regatta
 Wet P.M.
 31 School very thin – Very wet

Sept. 1st Very wet & school attce. thin
 Do. Do Usual progress
 5 Usual progress. School thin – Wet
 6 Do. Totnes Races Wet
 7 Do. Do Do
 8 Do. Do. Do.
 9 Usual progress

12 Attce. much better. Usual progress. Wet
 13 Do. Do. Do.
 14 Do. Do. Do.
 15 Examd. every child in 1st Std. in Figs. & small
 letters – noted Allery. Brooking & Stone

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16th not proficient – directed Teachers attention
 Wet. Attce good – much potatoe &
 apple picking this week between
 showers.

- 19 Very Showery – many children absent in consequence
- 20th Showery – Usual progress
- 21st Usual progress – Very wet
- 22 Potatoe picking & apple picking between showers
- 23 Usual progress
- 26 Weather very fine – majority of boys in upper classes potatoe digging & picking
- 27 Usual progress – School thin in upper classes
- 28 Usual progress. Fine weather continues & consequently thin attce. in upper classes
- 29 Michaelmas day. Usual progress School closes @ 4.30 instead of 5 P.M.
- 30 Usual progress – End of school Year

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School Year from Oct.r 1st 64 – Octr 1st 65

- Oct 3 First day of School year. School thin In upper classes – potatoe picking & digging – apple picking etc. Usual progress
- 4 Strong easterly gale blowing - many of little ones absent
- 5 Do Do
- 6 Usual progress Do
- 7 Do Do
- 10 Attce. much better – still many absent
- 11 Exd. 1st. Std. in figures – absent Screech Wakeham – G. Trout & Steer – All except J. Quick proficient - Usual progress
- 12 Exd. 1st; Std. in small letters – absent Screech Wakeham – & C.. Evans – all proficient save Cunning & Quick Usual progress
- 13 Exd. 1st Std. in Capital letters – J. Quick not proficient
- 14 Usual progress
- 17 School attce. fair – Usual progress
- 18 Do. Do.
- 19 Do. Usual progress
- 20 Do. Very Showery

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- 21st Usual progress - Very showery
- 24 Fine –Usual progress. Attce. Good
- 25 Do. Do. Do

- 26 Do. Do. Do. P.T.
absent for annual examination at Salcombe.
- 27 Send for R. Trute – Creber – Gillard – Jeffry – E. Rhymes.
C. Kellond. A Kellond. Lucy Stone. Mary Priter
& any other today – absentees
- 28 Joseph Light. Certificated Teacher of the
2nd Division of the 2nd Class.
George P. Shepherd. Pupil Teacher of
The 4th Year

E. P. Arnold HMG

- Absentees 2 Pooles. Couth & Putt. Left locality 4
2 Kellands (S) Jacob Trout & Jeffry – not asked to come 4
J. Luscombe – L. Hutchings. L Stone – III – 3
G. Randall (work) Note raise fee or dismiss. G. Redrick
work & left (raise fee) M. J. Mitchell mistress 3
would not let her come. Absent 14 from
136 on Schedule. Compare this result with
financial Schedule when it arrives
Caution - Geography & Reading Books
to first two classes. Tables to 3rd Class
not in rotation. Dodge them. (All
- 36 I, II, etc. classes instead of Standards
make Geo. attend to discipline in his class &
other classes he may teach – Attend to
last years observations. Remember that children
next exam have their needle work in their hand
when inspector enters room & if practicable are at their work.
- 31st Usual progress – Dry east wind. Very cold
Attce. good
- Novr. 1st Do. Do. Do.
2 Do. Re-arranged the whole of
the classes – I Std. raised to 2nd etc.
3 To facilitate writing of I Std. from Books
make Teacher copy piece on Blk
Board for them to copy til they
get accustomed to it
4 Dry East Wind - ordinary progress
- 7 Weeks work I Class Simple Int. II Practice
Tables III Pence Shillg & farthg table – IV
Mult. table. Ordinary attce & progress
- 8 Fine – Usual progress
- 9 Caution'd boys as to the use of Urinal
in absence of girls
- 10 Ordinary attce. & progress
- 11 Do. Do.
- 14 Weeks work – Teach new rules to 2, 3 & 4th
Std. Usual progress

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- 15 Usual progress - Weather Fine

16	Do.		Do.
17	Do.		Do.
18	Do.		Do.
21	<u>Weeks Work Teach</u> Compd. Interest to 1 st Class – 2, 3 & 4 th perfect their new rules. Very Wet		
22	Wet	Ordinary progress	
23	Very wet – Attce. extremely thin – Master went to Kingsbridge in afternoon & left School in charge of P.T. & mistress		
24	Usual progress		
25	Recd. Govt. Report – <u>Statistics of Examinations under Revised Code</u>		
		PerCentage passed in Readg.	96.3
64	Do.	“ Writg.	99.07
	Do.	“ Arith.	80.0
General Avge. Pass in all			
	3 subjects		91.6
63	PerCentge. Pass in Read.g		89.1
		Writg.	93.3
		Arith	80.0
General Avge. Passed in all			
	3 subjects		87.3

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Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors

On the Stokenham Nat.l School

For the year ending Nov 1st 64.

“This school is in every way flourishing owing to W. Lights untiring exertions, and is a great blessing to the neighbourhood.

There is a little roughness of manner in the Pupil Teacher, and in the fifth class, which though only a small fault yet needs attention and may easily be remedied

J. C. Carwithen Secretary

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Nov 28 th	Usual progress. Let I Class perfect Compd. Int. Simple Int. 2 nd 3 rd & 4 th still Go on with their new rules. Extremely Wet & School thin		
29	Fine - Usual progress		
30	Wet - Usual progress		
Decr. 1 st	Fine – Usual progress		
2 nd	Do.	Do.	

5 Fine - Usual progress Work for Week
I Class C. Int. S. Int. S Proportion. Bills & practice &
Fractions 2nd Practice – 3 Compd. Subtn. 4 Mult.
6 Usual progress – Attce. Good
7 Do. Do.
8 Do. Do.
9 Do. Very stormy

12 Perfect old rules in Arith.c. In 4th class
teach division & subtraction in which
latter rule a greater portion of the
children make careless mistakes
Very rainy & dirty.

13 Very rainy & dirty Usual progress
14 Do. Do.
15 Do. Do.
16 Do. Do.

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19 Work or week – 1st Class Fractions & Varieties in proporn.
2nd simple proportion 3. Compd. Mult. 4th perfect
old rules. Usual progress

20 A Torr loitered - told his mother when he went
home who forgave him. – A Torr is greatly
improved in behaviour lately so did not punish.

21 Usual progress – Very Frosty

22 Do Do

23 Do Do

24 Small School – most of children keeping
holiday

27 School larger – Usual progress

28 Do Do

29 Do Do

30 Do Do

2-9 Usual Xmas Holiday

9 School commences – This week
revise old work

10 Usual progress – Very severe frost

11 Do Do

12 Do Do

13 Do Do

16 1st Class simple rules – 2nd Bills – 3rd Old rules
4th Old rules. Usual progress

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17 Usual progress. Wet. P.T. absent from lessons/ill

18 Do Do

19 Shooting on ley – numbers of childn.
go with their parents

20 Do. Usual progress

23 Run over all old work – pay more attention

to explanation of Words in 1st Class

24 Very wet – many children unable to put on boots. Bad colds prevalent.

25 Usual progress. Many absent from above causes

26 Do. Do

27 Do. Do.

30 Teach duodecimals to 1st & 2nd Classes P.M. & prepare them for Masons – Slaters, carpenters & plasterers work – 3rd Class teach compd. Division

31 Very wet – Many children bad feet

Feb 1 Do Do

2 Do Do

3 Do Do

6 Run over old rules & finish teaching new ones
Very wet. Numbers Good

7 Usual progress - Very Wet

8 Do Do

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9 Usual progress – Very wet – Many children ill. Colds & Bad feet

10 Do Do. P.T. absent fr. Lessons (ill)

13 Very Heavy fall of Snow. Very cold weather with strong East wind. School unusually small

14 Do. Snow continues

15 Do. Do. & Rain – Children who perforce of weather have absented themselves for the first two days will not come the remainder of the week to pay

16 Very Rainy – School thin

17 Do Do

20 Work Revise old rules in VI & V Std.
Compd. Proportion – Introduce Dict.
On paper in first, second & third class
Weather comparatively fine. Attce. Good
Many children bad feet

21 Do Do

22 Do Do

23 Do Do

24 Very wet. School thin

27 Weather finer – Good School. C. Prop in 1st & 2nd Class & C. Division in 3 Class
Bad feet

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29 Usual progress. Showery – Bad feet

March 1st Usual progress – Church from 10.40 –

- 12.30 Lost 3 lessons
 2 Usual progress. – Fine
 3 Very Fine – Many children picking
 and preparing soil for potatoes
- 6 Many children absent with colds – assisting
 in garnering & picking & planting potatoes
 Bad feet
- 7 Do Do
 8 Do. Do
- 9 Began to take P.T. in Morning before School
 instead of evening as heretofore. Weather
 very inclement & colds and bad feet
 seem to be greatly on the increase
 sent for every absent child
- 10 Usual progress. Rainy
- 13 New Books had home – School Stock
 now comprises – 6th 12 new & 11 old – Vth 9 new & 15 old
 IVth 10 new & 14 old – IIIrd 12 new & 12 old
 IInd 20 new & 4 old – I 15 new & 9 old – Weather
 Very Fine – potato planting – colds very
 prevalent – Sold one of the 4th Std. to Sam
 Shepherd & rev.d 1/ due to Committee of School
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- 14 Sold VI St. to Hy. Stephens ¼ owe to School & one
 do. to W. French ¼ - one VI Std. to W. Higson
 & one do. to James Barton @ ¼ each
- 15 Sold IV to Edgeland 1/- School thin – much
 gardening & potatoe planting
- 16 Usual progress – School Small
- 17 Do. Do. Sold
 1 Fourth Book to Bastard for 1/- Pepperly
 Bill delivered to Lady Day for /65 – 3/II½ - Rec.d 3/-
- 20 Very wet – Snow – Thin attce.
 21 Very Cold & snow- Attce. thin
 22 More genial – Usual progress
 23 Sold one 5th Std. to Patton – Usual progress
 24 Usual progress – Weather Very
 unfavourable & large No. of children
 home with very bad colds.
- 27 D.B. Chad. C. Bart. F & W Patey. Eliz. Mitch
 V. Rogers. Jnr, Pedrick. C. Hannaford. Nat Pretty
 Susan Chadder. H. Edgeland. H. Harradon. J. Herb. Tolchard
 Home ill. Attce. good. 14 Home
 ill.
- 28 Attce. Thin. - Heavy Snow Storm
 during night. Usual progress

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- 29 Usual progress. Bad feet & colds continue
 30 Do. Do.
 31 Do. Do.

April 3rd Weather Very Fine – Usual progress

4 Do. Do.
5 Do Do
6 Do Do
7 Do Do Great many children
potato-planting for themselves & farmers

10 Usual Progress – Weather Very Fine
Colds much abated but Potato-planting

11 Do Do
12 Do Do

13 Usual progress

14 Good Friday – School Closed

17 Easter Monday – Many absent Holiday
keeping – School attce. good

18 Do. Attce. good A.M. Fair P.M.

19 Usual progress Do

20 Do Do

21 Do Do Very Hot

24 Usual progress – Sums on Paper

25 Attce. Good – Inculcate neatness
in Sums & attend to Figures.

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26th Paper Work much neater

27 Usual progress. Attce. Fair

28 Rossiter loitered – See parents

May 1st Attce. Very good – Usual progress

2 Do Do Very Hot

3 Attce thin – Very Wet

4 Attce Good Showery

5 Do Do

8 Attce. Good. Weather Fair

9 Do. Showery 3rd Std. Arith.c

10 Apportioned pencils 50 bearing S.P.H. to myself
& 5 otherwise marked to Gro.

11 Usual progress. Attce Good

12 Do Do

15 Revise Weights measure 5th St. 6th
proportion & miscellaneous. IV Long Division
Abj. C. Ad. Sub & Mult. Attce. thin

16 Attce Better many about digging potatoes

17 Diocesan Inspection Note 1st Class
to Delivery of Law. Cat. entire.

Life of St. Jno. Baptist - Fourth Std. Same. Revd. Dawson,
Hingerton & Woolcombe examined school &
expressed themselves well pleased with
results.

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- 18 Usual progress – From this time children in I, II & III classes occasionally do their Arith. On paper
- 19 Usual progress
- 22 Attce Good. Many of older boys leave school for work. Teach 3rd Class Compd. Division to 4 Class Long Multiplication – Dodge about 5th Class in Multiplication tables twice per wk.
- 23 Usual progress – Send for Absentees
- 24 Great No. of Smaller Children have the Hooping Cough – Many have it so bad as to absent themselves.
- 25 Usual progress
- 26 Fred. Luscombe loitered from School – Communicated with parents & punished him.
- 29 Many children still absent with Hooping Cough – Some of the older ones hoeing Potatoes – same work as last week in Arith.c
- 30 Usual progress – 7 children late & consequently unable to mark them on Register.
- 31 Usual progress
- June 1st Do
- 2 Do
- 5 Do – Whitsun Monday

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- Many children absent Holiday Keeping School Tea at different Chapels in the Neighborhood. Sent for Absentees
- 6 Fair at Beesands & Hall Sands & nos. consequently small – Usual progress
- 7 Usual progress – Those who have been absent the first 2 days of week will not pay the large of amt. of one penny for 3 days schooling hence these two days have a depressing amount on School folk
- 8 Grant Fete at Kingsbridge & many children with parents there. Usual progress. Hooping Cough still abounds.
- 9 Usual progress
- 12 Hooping Cough still very bad among Infants. Haymaking commences
- 13 Usual progress
- 14 Sent to enquire for those Home in Hoopg. Cough
- 15 Usual progress
- 16 Usual progress. Revd. J. C. Carwithen heard 1st Class read.
- 19 Usual progress. Attce. Fair. Haymaking & Hooping Cough much diminishes. An

- Average attendance
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- 20 Usual progress – 7 children unmarked on the Register who had been late
- 21 5 Children unmarked – Parents required them
- 22 3 children unmarked
- 23 Usual progress
- 26 Usual progress. Haymaking & Hoopg. Cough draws many from School
- 27 Usual progress – School rather thin – 7 not marked because late
- 28 Five not marked had to go early to carry dinner
- 29 Usual progress – 5 late in Morning & 4 went home early P.M. & consequently not marked on Register
- 30 Usual progress – 5 not marked on a/c of lateness in Morning & 3 home early P.M. - I can do nothing to stop this during Hay time as the children render material assistance in carrying food & were I to detain them or positively forbid their coming late they would absent themselves for the Half Day
- July 3 Usual progress – Haymaking & hooping
Cough interferes sorely with progress of children
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- & it is to be feared that Hooping Cough will prevent many from attending the required No. of days
- 4 Usual progress – Sent for absentees – Ed. Mitchelmore loitered on Friday & Monday As he has been before admonished was Punished with the stick – Enquire for Wm. Stone J. Creber & H.J.. Burner tomorrow
- 5 Usual progress – Rather wet – many consequently absent
- 6 Usual progress – 3 not marked because of lateness
- 7 Usual progress. Next week I, II & III Std. Arith.c on paper
- Monday 10 Weather Find. Avoirdupois 1st + - x :- Absentees In IV & V Std. many Usual progress
- 11 Usual progress I Std. examined in Small Letters - among likely eligibles absent or not examined were 2 Conybeers Downing, 2 Gillards, - T. Hutchings – Lidstone Wm. Mingo Saml. – Rhymes J. Trout Thos & Baswill M Chadder J – M. Hutchings - Inefficient were Edgeland – F. Luscombe. B. Brooking – Kate Clements Ramster & E. Chapman
- 12 Exd. Same class in Figures – Gave results to Geo.

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- Exd. Those who were absent yesterday that are Here to-day in letters – also gave results to Geo.
- 13 Exd. Those who were absent last 2 days in Small letters & figs. & gave results to Geo. – likely eligibles not examined are 2 Conybeers – W Lidstone & J. Chadder – All rest have been examined this wk. in Small letters & figs. Also examined those present in Some of Capital letters – W. Lidstone – J. Chadder 2 Conybeers & W. Allery. E.A. Chapman – Hegden Lelia were absent during part or whole of Exn.
- 14 Exd. Those present in rest of capitals & gave results to Geo. – Several absent
- 17 Wk. for Wk. I & II Class Wts. & Measures for whole week on paper III compd. rules on paper – IV Division & Long Mult. V Sub & Addition VI go over Capitals & Small - & Count
- 18 Usual attendance & progress
- 19 Do Do
- 20 Kingsbridge Fair – Some children leave for pleasure & some employed
- 21 Left School in charge of Geo. & Mrs. Kelland School Small
- 24 Wk; for Wk. I Class Practice (Wts. & Measures) II Wts. & Measures + x :- -) III Paper Wk. in old rules IV Division V Notation & Numeration

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- 25 Usual progress. Many children holiday keeping at Kingsbridge – Menagerie
- 26 Dartmouth Regatta – This proves an attraction to some children
- 27 Usual progress
- 28 Do Do
- 31 Work over Long & then we have done Long –Troy – Capacity – Ale & Beer – Avoirdupois & Time in 2nd Class In I Bills – In 3 pursue old work on paper – In 3rd Division & in 2 Subtraction – Attend Particularly to numeration & notation. Attce. good.
- Augt. 1 Usual progress – Showery
- 2 Do Do Harvest going on whenever a fine day
- 3 Usual progress. Fine. Late-comers
- 4 Usual progress. School rather thinner than on previous days. Early Harvest actively going on all the week
- 7 Showery – Harvest brisk between Showers I & II Reduction of Money. In other Classes the usual Sum & vary the forms as much as possible
- 8 Usual progress – Very Showery – Harvest takes away many
- 9 Usual progress

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- 10 Usual progress
11 School closes for Harvest Vacation – Two Weeks Holiday
- 26 School reopens - Dull weather & Harvest not completely saved
29 Weather fine. Usual progress. Attce. under average – Many children still gleaning
30 Usual progress
31 Do
- Sepr. 1st Enquire as to cause of F. Luscombe & T Issel
Absence – Send for all absentees
- 4 Attend to Reduction in the Higher classes –
Send again for absentees
5 Usual progress – Many children engaged
in agricultural operations – picking & digging potatoes
6 Usual progress
7 Do
8 Do
- 11 Potatoes are being picked & dug which accounts
for absence of elder children
12 Usual progress
13 Do Do
14 Holiday – Torcross Regatta
15 School thin – Usual progress

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- Sept 16 Sent for absentees – Usual progress
I Practice (Wts. & Measures) II Reduction III
Revise IV Long Mult. paying particular
attention to the ciphers in Multiplier
Revd. J. C. Carwithen examined I, II, III
& IV Classes collectively in Sc. Hist.
ranging from Creation to Flood
- 19 Usual progress – Exd. VI Class in Small
& Cap. – gave Geo Results – Absentees
through whole or part – E. A. Chapman
W. Lidstone. S. Mingo. F. Luscombe
Jun. Rhymes Trute Thos. & Baswell
Mary.
- 20 Exd. Wm. Lidstone of VI Class in letters Small &
Cap. 5 left also J.W. Rhymes – 4 left
21 Duties from 9.30 AM till 10.40 AM. Spent
rest of time in Church it being Harvest
Thanksgiving day. Usual progress
22 Usual progress – Exd. A. E. Chapman in
Cap. Letters – Usual duties.
- 25 Old Rules. Notation & Numeration. ?? S. Mungo
Sent for absentees. Usual progress
Attce. Good

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- 26 Rev. J. L. Laffin Curate of Paignton questioned some of the first Class children, very pleased with their answers - & general state of the school cleanliness etc. Usual progress
- 27 Usual progress. Visited absentees in evening.
- 28 Usual progress. Attce. Good during this week. H. Stoyles not made up required 100 days.
- 29 Usual progress. Here endeth the 3rd year of the R. Code – School opened 243 times in morning & 243 in Evening. Average 125 or 9 in excess of last yr. No. of admissions testify as to change of Scholars. Hard work to get many to make up just the reqd. 100
- Oct. 2nd First day of School Yr. Look up absentees
Sherrard B. Barnaby 0- Chaplain to Earl Fortescue Castle Hele
- Examined Gillard & Trute & M. Baswill found they had lost whilst absent
Gave results to Geo. School thin owing to potato & apple picking
Usual progress.

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- 3rd Usual progress. Many children employed
Apple & potatoe picking
- 4th Examined 6th Class in Figures – 7 absentees
rest perfect. Usual progress.
School rather small P.M.
- 5 Usual progress. School gets
smaller towards end of week.
- 6 Examined some of absentees referred
to – Usual progress
- 9 Usual progress. Attce. Good. Weather
fine
- 10 Do Do. Attce. Very Good
though many are absent picking
apples & potatoes.
- 11 Weather very boisterous & rainy
This of course has an effect upon
the attendance
- 12 Usual progress. Showery
- 13 Usual progress
- 16 For the next fortnight look over old
rules - & work up backward ones.
- 17 Again Exd. I Std. in Small & Caps. – I. Trute
E. Bud – Gillard absent
- 18 Usual progress. Attce. fair &

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- weather showery
19 Do. Do
20 Do. Do.
- 23 Usual progress – Fine
24 Do. Do.
25 Fine – Attce. good. P. T.'s Examination
26 Extremely wet & very scanty
attce. Sent & went for all
absentees
- 27 Examination
Joseph Light Certificated Teacher of
The 2nd Divn. 2nd Class.
George P. Shepherd – Pupil Teacher
Of the 5th Year
E. P. Arnold

Notes on Examination Children came to school too early – 9 o'clock would be just the time if Mr. Arnold were here at 10 – They were most of them here at 8.30 & Mr. Arnold at 11 so that 2½ hrs was spent in doing nothing – then commenced examination of I Std. which took till 12 so that Children in larger

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room sat 3½ hrs doing nothing
Exam in larger room began at 12. Sums were given out Viva Voce by Mr. Arnold in a rather quick & hurried manner & as I always tell them to write as slowly as possible & he told them to write quick many of children in each class had it down wrong – The sums were read over once after they were down in the I, II & III classes to give boys an opportunity of correcting them but in too quick a manner – Dictation was but given out one (strictly in accordance with letter of R.C. in the 5th Class one line of poetry at a time (no sweeter voice was ever heard, In spring time like the cuckoo bird) etc. Read over once after written It was written very fast By Order) which is an indulgence not asked for & not in accordance

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with the letter of the Code
the meanings of the words were
not allowed to be told to the
3rd Standard e.g. threw or through
nor the stops to any of the other
George had a 2 hrs paper in School
time so that no one was left to take
Care of school but self. Is this
right? After being a day at Salcombe?
Examination continued till 4pm
Letter Writing in coming year.
Cutting out among eldest girls
Ex. Of sum
(V1) Std Cut grs 9. 3. 13 @ 1.9.101/2; Bill; Practice
As what will 25 lbs of Tea cost @ 3/91/2
What will 10 lbs of Tea cost @ 3/91/2
Divide 301.19.5 ¼ by 17
(3) divide 719h2 by 8
Mult 3054 by 29

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From 2976 take 1984
II Nothing noticeable except that
Sums were given out by dictation
Inspector appears to be very
particular about clean hands
& face & nearly combed hair.
Attend to it next time.
Names on examination Schedule
124 for exam 25 under age.
Average attce. for yr. 125 of which 7
were children rendered ineligible
by operation of Art. 4 R. C & of
names on Schedule the ineligibles
from same cause were
A. & T. Rogers & Annie, Sally, Kate
James. Geo. Wm & Eph. Clements (9)
Leaving 115 eligible for examination
& 118 for payment on Average
attce.
of the 115 eligible for examination
6 were absent viz. A. Rogers
Gone to sea) Lucy Stone (left locality)
Jno. Pedrick (Broken arm.)

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Jms. Mingo who were obliged to go to Dartmouth
with mother (Raise fee or dismiss)
T. Chadder who because he had
left school 6 months would not
come not eligible tho. on schedule Several came who
should be paid. A. Low I/6 French 1/11
Oldridg 6d
Another Yr. look
over these remarks & compare

them with former ones
 Not so much Script. Hist. – just
 the main points in a life instead
 of all details. Let I Class II
 III & IV read the New Test. oftener
 instead of having so many
 Script lessons.
 Eligible for payment as per examination
 Excluding???? Annie, Sally Kate
 Wm. & Jus Clements. L. Stone. Jus. Mingo
 Gillard & T. Chadder; Ian Shepherd D & J Barton

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Those under age were examined
 this yr. – Ineligibles by reason
 of less than 200 times were not
Note Thursday was a dreadfully
 wet day & Friday was exceeding-
 ly wild & showery in Morning.
 Here followeth a list of
 those examined as per
 Standard. Those not
 here on Examination
 day are struck out
 (underlined) There
 were no exceptions
 & such child was
 raised up one
 Std. & some of them
 two. Many of
 children who ought to
 have done best &
 were best Scholars
 did worst in consequence
 of the hurried manner
 in which every
 thing was done!

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Those under age were also examined
 In Readg. Writing letters from Copy on
 slate & spelling

Monday 30th Very Wet. School thin. Moved
 up all children a class

31 Very Full School. Dry. Here follows
 a list of Eligibles for Ex. Who were actually
 present as per Std.

VI	S. Shepherd	V Brooking Jno.	IV Friend W.
	J. Barton	Chadder Robt	Brooking Wm.
	D. Barton	<u>Clements W.</u>	Bastard Jos.
	J. Chapman	Dure W.	Crop Jos.
	W. Kellond	Hutchings N.	Sedgeland Jos.

10	W. Higden <u>J. Clements</u> St. Hatherley (L) B. Burner (L) E. Bow	Mitchell Jno. Patey Herb. Shepherd Shepherd Jos. Shepherd Wm. Wakeham Jno Bowden Lucy	Geo. Hutchings Luscombe Langmead Oliver Jno. Prettejohn Nat. <u>Rogers Thos.</u> Shepherd Sam.
		Higden J. Kellond D. 15 Quick Emma	Torr Alb. <u>Clements Annie</u> Chadder M. J. 17 Luscombe Sally

III Jane Jus. Issel Thos ! Kellard Wm. Luscombe Wm. Login Sam.l Mingo Sam.	Patey Jno. Wm. Randall Ed. Stone Wm. Rendle Geo. Tolch Herb	Powell Geo. <u>Wakeham R</u> Bowhay Ann Burner A.J Baie Blanche Archer Mary	<u>Clements Sally</u> Chadder S Chapman R. Edgeland S.J. Hannaford Ann Edgeland M. J.	Lamble Jus. Mayo Lucy Oldridge MA Prater Mary Pedrick Hel <u>Soper Sam</u>
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31 <u>Soper Wm.</u> Barton Ch. Chadder Alb. Crump Wm. Cole Jno	Luscombe Jus. 20 Hannaford	Evans C. Harradon Wm. Kellond C. Stone Geo.	Palk Geo. Quick Jno. Rossiter Sam. Stone Geo.	Screech Jno. Trout Geo. <u>Wakeham Geo.</u> Brooking J.	Cunning Sam. Edgland H.M. Ease Goodyear E.
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I Howden Wm. Creber Ed. Codd Wm. Cole Wm. Hutchings Sam <u>Lidstone Wm.</u>	Mitchelmore Ed. Mingo Sam Rhymes Jno. <u>Soper A</u> Trout Thos. Baswill M. 25 J. Creber	Brooking Kate Elsworth Chadder J. Codd Sam Chapman E. Edgeland E.P.	Hutchings M. Higson Lily Mitchelmore Bet Rogers M. Ramder Kate Vanders C.
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Infants

Brooking Thirza Codd Sam Chadder Sus Hutchings Sus. Harradon H. <u>Note</u> Jno. Pedrick was absent thro. illness	Maber Ellen Mitchelmore Ed. Shepherd Flo. Hutchings Allery R.	Baswill H. Baswill Ed. Cuming Wm. <u>Clements Geo</u> <u>Clements Eph.</u>	Edgeland Jno Mitchelmore Jus Pedrick Jno. Rendle Sam Rogers N.	Shepherd C. Sanders R. Screech J. Cole Sam Cole Sam
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Nov. 1st Those underlined are ineligible thro' operation of Art. 4 (i)
Bills now running are Mr. Rogers, Lusc from Harv, Holidays
Lusc from beg. Of school yr. Geo. Pepperell 1/- W. Harradon from
Midsr. Sherford from midsr. Mrs. Holdsworth from
Beginning of Sch. Year. Lidstone from

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Sep. 29 C Kellond - Crebers
Stayles Clements from Lady Day - Rogation
Mingo etc.

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Usual progress

- 2nd Usual progress. School large
3rd Do Do
6 School not very large – many boys
employed in getting in mangold etc
7 Very Cold – fires – Good attce. tho' many
children employed in ag. pursuits
8 Usual progress
9 Do Do Cold
10 Usual progress

13 Boys much improved in cleanliness
14 Attce. good – usual progress
15 New rules in Arith. progressing
very favourably
16 Introduced Dict. On paper
in 4th. Std.
17 Usual progress

20- School attce. V. Good
21 Do. Do

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Extremely rough & boisterous

- No such gale known for many
years – consequently children
residing at a distance were
not here
23 Master absent from duties
in London
24 Master absent from duties
in London

27 Master resumes duty – On
enquiry finds nothing particular
occurred – On the afternoon of this
day G. Pepperell – Ed. Hell & Jas. & Jno.
Luscome went hunting – the
two latter with parents consent
the first two without so far
As I am able to ascertain.
28 Geo. Pepp told a lie to avoid
chastisement – twofold. Hill
absent. Usual progress. Rather
showery in Morning.

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Report of H. M. Inspector on Stokenham National Schools for year ending Sept. 30th/65

“This is a capital School, in which
thoroughly sound work is going on.
There is a little too much noise
and roughness in the way in which

the discipline is maintained and many of the children might cultivate with advantage greater personal tidiness: but the instruction is thoroughly well carried out: and Mr. Light deserves great credit for his exertions”

H.M. Inspector states that the rain comes in between the roof and the wall of the class room – This should be attended to.

No payments have been allowed on account of Samuel Rendle and Sarah Codd in the Infants School, who have not attended 200 times, nor on account of Samuel Shepherd,

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Dan Barton and James Barton
Who have been again presented for examination under the sixth standard

J. C. Carwithen
Secretary

29 Spoke to Hill. As he was a boy recently come to School did not punish but warned him.

30 Usual progress. Mr. Holdsworth's Wedding. Went to Church in Morning

Dec. 1st Usual progress

4th Usual progress. – School full new rules progressing satisfactorily.

5 Ed. Mitchelmore loitering on Monday – punished with stick as he is old offender

6 Usual progress

7 Do Do

8 Do Do

1 Master went to London and was absent during the whole week – Revd. J. C Carwithen Visited school

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12 daily & reports that with assistance of Hegden & Barton

13` kept them at usual work in usual time and that not

14 the slightest instance of even a tendency to

15 insubordination occurred

16 Master resumes duty

Usual progress with good attendance. Fires regularly

lit now & P. Teacher leaves
 with concurrence of
 Master & managers to
 take a clerk ship (mercan
 tile) in London
Note His time actually
 Expires on 31st of Decr. /65
 From this date commences
 Jas Bartons pay
 19 Usual progress
 20 Do
 21 Do
 22 Do School closes for
 Xmas Vacation

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Monies owing to Xmas 65.

R. Mingo 4.2½ pd – als pd. up to wk end Feb 9/66
 W. Harradon 4.4 pd
 J. Clements 1.10.1½ Pd.
 Dignans 3..d pd. 3/-
 Prulers: 2.8½ pd./6 on Monday Jan 15th left of 2½ Also /6 of Feb 26th
 Stoyles 1.0 pd
 Rogers 2.9.4½ a/c with
 Crebers 9/9 ½ pd
 W. Lusc. 8.6 pd
 Lidstone 2.2½ pd
 Ropiter 1.10½
 HM Kelland 9.9 Biull del 7/+ 15 wks + 2½ No.
 Mrs. Lusc 3.6½ pd up to Jan.y 20th /66
 Sherford for ½ yr. 1.1.2
 Mrs. Holdsworths since Sept. 1st
 Mr. Patton
 Mr. Hurrel 2Qrs 13/- 3 copy books pd up to Chmas

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Jan 1st. / 66

School reopens on New Years

Day – Very fair attce. Many
 children keeping holidays
 2 Usual progress. Attce Good
 Very rough weather
 3 Very rough
 4 Usual progress
 5 In afternoon 2 Brookings –
 2 Luscombes. H. Patey = J. Cole
 T. Hutchings & Langmead went
 hunting. T. Hutch. & 2 Brookings
 without consent of
 parents. I punished
 them
 8 Usual progress. Very boisterous
 Sent for all absentees.
 Several children ill.
 9 Usual progress
 10 Terrific gale in Evening. Good school

- 11 Gale increases – Very thin school. Snow & rain
 12 Usual progress
 15 Usual progress. School thin
 16 Extremely rough wind & rain

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- descending in torrents. School consequently very small
 17 Usual progress
 18 Do
 19 Do
 22 Usual Progress. School att.ce. fair.
 23 Many of yesterdays absentees at School. Usual progress
 24 Nothing particular to note
 25 Three boys late thro. carelessness
 26 Usual progress
 29 Many children have very bad colds & consequently stay home
 30 Wet day & School thin
 31 Usual progress. More than fifteen children home with bad heads
Caution Keep children home till they Get well as it may be infectious
 Feb 1st Usual progress & very fair attce.
 2 Do Do.

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- Feb 5th Tremendous weather on previous day
 Wind not quite subsided. School thin
 6th Usual progress. Keep in the few children backward in tables
 7 Work up letters in 1st Std.
 8 Usual progress
 9 Do
 12 Weather fine & attendce Good. Many children absent thro' bad heads.
 13 Spent half of the afternoon in Singing.
 14 Usual progress. It being Ash Wednesday went to Church with all children at 10.30 & staid till 12.30 spent the first part of the morning in singing.
 15 Usual progress
 16 Do
 19 Fine. Good attce.
 20 Usual progress. Rather Wet
 21 Church @ 11.30 & out at 12.30 spent some part of the morning singing.

22 Usual progress
23 Master left School at 10.30 with

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consent of managers. School very small & day very wet. Usual progress
26 Very heavy showers of hail & very cold. School very thin
27 Ed. Mitchelmore absent on Tuesday Morn. & on previous day. Make enquiries
28 Church from 11.30 – 12.30 – Singing rest of morning.

March 1st Usual progress

2 Do. Very cold

5 Bills, Crebers, Luscombes, Lidstone. Mrs. Holdsworth Sherford, Clements, Hannaford Rogers Preters ??? Kellands. Shepherds. V. Cold

6 Usual progress. Snow & rain

7 Fast day in consequence of cattle plague
School very thin both morning & afternoon. Church in Morn. from 11 till 12.30

8 Usual progress

9 Weather very fine

12 Weather fine. Usual progress
Good attendance

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March 13th Very good attendance. Usual progress. I Resign my post as Schoolmaster of Stokenham School.

14th John Lavers takes charge of this school as a sub-statute for Mr. Light until Lady Day. Usual routine of work, and very fair attendance.

15th Very wet day. Rather small school
Do. Do.

19th A wet dismal day. Very fair attendance. Altered the usual method of changing the lessons. Examined 5th and 6th Standards in Arithmetic. The remaining standards at their usual work with Teachers.

20th Good school. Usual work and progress.

21st The attendance was good. Left off regular work at 10.30 and took boys in singing for Church. Went to Church with the oldest boys and girls, left the remainder home with Barton. Afternoon Usual work.

22nd Very wet day. Poor school

23rd A dismal day but better school than on the previous day. The Afternoon was very boisterous

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March 26th Took charge of the school as agreed with Trustees.

- Very few boys at school owing partly to there being a ship wreck at Start Point and also to the fine weather, when the boys are busy planting potatoes at this season of the year.
- 27th Beautiful weather. Good school. Usual routine. Find the changing of the lessons to answers. Several of the 1st. & 2nd. Classes absent for the same reason as above. Admitted two new boys. Examined the 5th & 6th Standard, and found that the Monitor (Higden) had been working hard, and effectual.
- 28th Very fair school. Usual routine
- 29 Do Do
- 30th Good Friday. Boys came to school as on Sunday

- April 2nd Very wet day. Rather small school. Let the boys out for 10 minutes at 11 o'clock.
- 3rd Two or three boys came who had been staying away the previous week on account of the wreck. Stokenham Fair, consequently many children absent. Mrs. Luscombe gave an entertainment to her Grandchildren, which

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- number above 30, several of which belong to the school such as the Clements, Pedricks, Luscombes etc. Very few children in the Afternoon, in consequence of a holiday being given in former years. Set the boys & girls out at 3.30 The usual routine of work was not followed on this day.
- 4th Rather a small school. Several children stayed away to see the "Divers" at the Start Wreck.
- 5th Fine Day, consequently many boys away planting potatoes Regular routine.
- 6th Rough day. Moderate school, usual work.
- 9th Miserable morning, rather small school. Sent to know the reason of the absence of about 30. Excuses were generally the weather, & the season viz. Potatoe planting time. Usual routine of work & progress.
- 10th Very good school. Many came today that I never saw before, besides 8 new boys. Removed several children into higher classes, especially from Higdens class, which contained more than he could do justice to. Heard every boy read during the day.

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- April 11th Good school. Examined First & Second Standards in Arithmetic. Usual routine of work. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen
- 12th Very fair school. Usual routine. After the regular school work took the children for half an hour in singing.

- 13th Very rough day. Small school. Regular work.
- 16th Very fair school. Usual routine. Barton was obliged to stay from school in the Afternoon, owing to an accident, by which he nearly lost the top of his thumb.
- 17th Good School. Usual work.
- 18th Good School. Visit of the Rev. & Miss & Mrs. Carwithen who heard the boys sing. Gave the boys a lesson on music after the regular school work.
- 19th Good school, regular routine
- 20th Do Do.

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- April 23rd Very good school. Admitted 9 fresh boys.
- 24th 150 boys present. Had a fresh supply of books from the Natl. Society viz. Chambers Reading Books 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 1½ Doz Each. 18 Reading sheets & 1 ½ Doz. Infant Primers 60 Slates & 5½ Doz. of Copy Bks.
- 25th Excellent school. 150. Sent after those who had been kept home for Potato planting. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 26th Numbers the same as foregoing days of the week. Ordinary progress & routine. Visit of Miss Carwithen who gave the 1st Class a music lesson, after regular school work. Took the Teachers at 6.30 in the morning for the first time.
- 27th Good School, regular routine, ordinary progress. Gave a singing lesson from 3.30 to 4.15
- 30th Good school. Cautioned two boys viz. Hutchings and Crocker who played the truant on Friday last. Did not punish them as they promised never to do so again. Ordinary routine.
- May 31st Attendance rather thin, & boys came very late.

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- it being unusually very cold. Sleet fell during the day.
- May 2nd Usual work and progress
- 3rd Ordinary routine. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen & Miss Carwithen, the latter heard the First Class some spelling
- 4th Attendance very good. Ordinary routine with the exception of a music lesson to the whole school between 3.30 & 4.25
- 7th Fine day. Not a very good school, and cannot yet assign any reason for the numbers. Made an example of two boys, Barton & Screech, before

- the whole school for playing truant. Cautioned several boys for their behaviour in Church. Let the boys read in the girls play ground as its very hot in school. Sent after the Absentees. Visit of Mrs. Carwithen.
- 8th Several children absent yesterday & also today planting mangold. The First Class learnt some catechism the last lesson in the Afternoon, whilst I took 1st & 2nd Standards in reading.
- 9th Good School & usual routine. Cautioned the whole school about running over the farmers

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- fields whilst playing at the game called "Hare and hounds" thereby breaking down the fences.
- 10th Good school regular routine, usual progress.
- 11th Very fair school. Visit of Miss Carwithen. Gave a music lesson between 3.30 & 4.15
- 14th Very wet morning, but a very fair school. Punished John Luscombe for his behaviour in Church. Admitted two new scholars. Maunders & Bowhay. Usual work.
- 15th Several children still absent but better school than yesterday. Visit of the Policeman to request me to caution the boys about trespassing as a complaint had been lain against them. I had done so before, but cautioned them again in the Policemans' presence as I thought it would have a better effect. Took children in singing from 3.45 to 4.20. Sent after absentees. Higden for those in Chillington, Barton – Torcross & myself – Stokenham. Visit of Miss Carwithen.
- 16th Good school. Heard every boy in the school read & spoke to Teachers about a few who were backward. Several absent planting mangold.

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- May 17th Good school. Usual routine & progress
- 18th Do Do Do
- 21st Very Fair school but several children absent on account of Beesands "Fair" which lasts two days. Ordinary routine.
- 22nd Many absent from the above cause. Nearly all Torcross, Beesands & Hallsands children absent. It is customary on this day also among parents to give their children a treat by forming a juvenile picnic. This has consequently taken several children from Chillington, e.g. Clements, Shepherds', Luscombes' etc. Let the children out half an hour earlier by their request.
- 23 Very Fair school. Children came very late

24th in the morning. Ordinary routine & progress
 Small school owing to a Volunteer Meeting
 at Slapton Cellars, the children have half
 holiday this Afternoon to see the Sham fight
 25th Fair School. Usual routine & progress

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28th Good School. Usual routine & progress
 29th Do Do Do
 30th Beautiful Day. Very good school. Ordinary
 routine & progress
 31st Very good School. Visit in the afternoon of T. Vane
 Esq. who heard the First Class read & examined the
 Girls sewing. On leaving he gave the children
 2/6d to spend.

Jund 1st Good School. Took 20 minutes of the last
 Lesson in cleaning windows, inkwells etc. by the
 First Class boys.

4th Very good School. Ordinary routine & progress.
 Visit of Mrs. Carwithen.
 5th Good School. Usual routine & progress
 6th Do Do Do
 7th Do Do Do
 8th Capital School. Visit of the Rev. Cole, Kellaton.

11th Excellent School Usual routine
 12th Do Do
 13th Do Do
 14th Do Do
 15th Do Do

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18th Very Poor School, owing to the weather,
 which resembles November gales. Incessant
 rain nearly the whole of the day. More
 children present in the Afternoon than in
 the morning as the weather is clearing
 a little.

19th Excellent School Usual routine & progress
 20th Do Do Do
 21st Do Do Do
 22nd Do Do Do

25th Good School, but washing day, with the
 mothers of the elder girls. Usual work.
 26th Excellent School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Car-
 withen & Mrs. & Miss Carwithen. Cautioned
 the whole school with regard to their
 dirty habits during dinner hour, and
 whilst at recreation. Punished Edward
 Mitchelmore for playing the truant.
 27th Good School. Let Barton the Teacher
 leave here at 11 in order to attend Con-
 firmation at Kingsbridge. Visit of
 Miss Carwithen who heard the 1st Class

their spelling.

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28th Excellent School. Ordinary work.
29th Very good school, but several absent at saving hay. Took the whole school at singing from 3.30 to 4.15. Find great difficulty in teaching the children singing They do not seem to have either the gift of time or tune.

July 2nd Good school. Ordinary routine & progress. My sister (M. A. Lavers) commences her duties as Mistress, at the resignation of Mrs. Kellond. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen
3rd Rather stormy but good School. Punished several boys this morning for coming late, as they confessed they might have been earlier. Several of the children left at 11.30 to carry Fathers dinner.
4th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress. Some of the Hallsands children absent, Mackerel catching. One of the boys (Screech) fell off the wall and cut his eye. Cautioned the whole school about getting on the walls.
5th Good School. Usual work.
6th Do Do

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July 9th Very good School. Usual routine & progress.
10th Excellent School. Owing to the heat two lessons went in the girls playground to read. Usual work.
11th Good School. Ordinary work. Visit of the Rev. Ash. Several children absent on account of Hay saving.
12th Children still about the Hay, for which the weather is very fine. Heard al the children in the school read & find them progressing favourably. Examined the Arithmetic of the 2nd & 3rd. Standards. Visit of Mrs. Holdsworth.
13th Good School. Usual work. Visit of Mrs. Holdsworth, who brought some needle work.
16th Capital School. Ordinary routine & progress
17th Usual work. Removed a few boys a step further up in each Standard.
18th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress
19th Do Do Do
20th Do Do Do

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July 23rd Good School. Usual work. Visit of Miss Carwithen
24th Very Fair School. Nearly all of the Hallsands &

- Beesands Boys absent on account of tea treat, at Hallsands. Took 3rd & 4th Standards in Arithmetic. The Boys can work the sums, but are rather careless, consequently the answer is not right the first time. Cautioned the Teacher (Barton). A few children are away saving hay. Sent after absentees, by Teachers. Took Stokenham myself. Thrashed Sabin & Creber for telling an untruth.
- 25th Good School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen
- 26th Very Fair school. Several boys absent on account of Kingsbridge Fair and Hay Harvest
- 27th Fair School. Pic-nics & Kingsbridge Fair thinned the numbers. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Not much work done in the Afternoon except cleaning the School, gumming the books, washing inkstands etc. previous to breaking up for a fortnight.

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- August 13th Recommencement of School after Harvest Holidays. Very Fair School. Usual routine & progress.
- 14th Visit of Miss Carwithen. Ordinary routine.
- 15th Good School. Began Dictation Lessons in the place of Spelling Lessons. Examined Lower Standards Arithmetic. Also 3rd & 4th Standards in Numeration and Notation. Visit of Mrs. Holdsworth. The girls in the afternoon began their prize knitting.
- 16th Capital attendance. Wet morning. Several children in the afternoon went home early to go gleaning as the weather cleared. Examined 3rd & 4th Standards reading.
- 17th Attendance good. Ordinary routine. About 10 minutes to 4 put five boys carrying water and cleaning the closets, as the weather is very sultry & cholera not far off.
- 20th Good School. Admitted three fresh scholars. Cautioned A. Barclay about loitering. Sent after Absentees by Teachers. Took those of Stokenham myself. All the excuses are attending to harvest.
- 21st Capital School. Few absent on account of harvest

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- 22nd which is rather late owing to the frequent heavy showers. Ordinary routine & visit of Miss Carwithen. Fair Attendance, the day being very fine, and great quantities of corn housed. Heard the whole school read. Gave Scripture Lesson to 3rd & 4th Standards. Higden gave the infants a lesson in the New Testament.
- 23rd Attendance good. Usual work & progress
- 24th Fair School. Several absent on account of the harvest. Singing in the Afternoon from 3.30 to 4.15. Let a few boys throw water & clean the closets.

27th Several children absent. Inquired after the absent-tees. Excuses – gleaning & helping at the harvest. Ordinary work.

28th Good School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Usual work.

29th Miserably wet day. Very bad attendance owing to the rain which came down in torrents in the morning. Better school this afternoon.

30th Beautiful day. Excellent school. Ordinary routine & progress. A few of the Torcross boys gone to Dartmouth regatta. The Torcross fishermen both sail & pull at the Regatta..

31st Fair School. Several children gone to the

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Sept. 3rd Regatta at Dartmouth. Work as usual. Good School. Several children who had been absent on account of the harvest came today. Usual work.

4th Good School. Endeavoured to get more of the children to come to the Sunday School but find they cannot as so many live at a great distance & each Village has its Chapel. Work & progress as usual.

5th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen

6th Good School. Usual work.

7th Good Attendance. Few of the Sherford boys absent on account of a Sunday School tea treat given by Mrs. Cornish. Asked all the children who are required to do dictation to find themselves Copy Books. Work & progress the same as usual

10th Very Fair School. Introduced Catechism lessons in place of Dictation. Had Dictation in the afternoon from 4.10 to 4.50pm

11th Good School. Similar routine as yesterday. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.

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12th Very Fair Attendance. Several Kellaton boys absent on account of Sunday School Treat held at Ford Chapel. Ordinary work.

13th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress.

14th Capital school. Instead of Dictation had a music lesson from 4.10 to 4.50 pm with this exception Routine as on previous days of the week.

17th Good School. Regular routine & progress.

18th Good School. Few more of the 1st & 2nd Class boys absent than usual, owing to a fine morning. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen in the Afternoon who heard the 1st Class read. Gave them a Dictation lesson and questioned them in

- 19th Catechism. Also heard the whole school sing.
Good School. Several 1st Class boys absent again. Ordinary work.
- 20th Good School. Usual progress & routine.
- 21st Capital School. Ordinary work.
- 24th Very Fair School. Several of the Chillington & Frogmore boys had permission to leave school rather earlier on account of Sunday School tea

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- treat. Usual routine.
- 25th Good School. Several of the Torcross absent in the Afternoon because of an Harvest Thanksgiving tea treat. Usual routine until 5.
- 26th Capital School. Ordinary work & progress
- 27th Good School. Usual work.
- 28th Very Fair Attendance. Few of the children absent because of the rain which fell in torrents the whole of the morning. Routine the same as usual.
- October 1st. Good attendance. Ordinary work & progress
- 2nd Very Good School. Visit of the Rev. J.C. Carwithen who heard II Standard their tables.
- 3rd Capital School. Usual work & progress.
- 4th Good attendance & regular work.
- 5th Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 8th Dry weather. Several of the 5th & 6th Standards absent digging potatoes. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Usual work.
- 9th Several of the older boys absent on account of potato digging. Visit of the Vicar. Usual work.

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- 10th Good School. All the boys & girls with the exception of the 4th Standard attended Church in the morning on account of an Harvest Thanksgiving. Barton stayed at School to do Arithmetic with those left behind. Work in the Afternoon as usual.
- 11th Good School. Visit of the Diocesan Inspector who examined the school until 1. In the Afternoon usual work.
- 12th Good School. Usual routine & progress.
- 15th Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen & Mr. Pitts who examined the Registers. Usual work in the morning. Left off work in the Afternoon at 3.30 to prepare for the Government Inspector.
- 16th John Lavers – Certificated Teacher

of the 3rd Divn. 3rd Class
James H. Barton – Pupil Teacher
of the 1st year.

E. P. Arnold

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- 16th First rate School. 187 present. Visit of the Government Inspector Rev. E. P. Arnold who examined the School. Also of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen, Mr. St. Albans, Miss Norman & Mrs. Johnson. Several of the 4th Standard boys were absent in the afternoon being let out of School at 1 to get their dinners. Half Holiday was given at the previous examination & consequently boys took it as a matter of course.
- 17th Good School. Punished two boys Login & Mungo severely for going home yesterday after having brought their dinners. Cautioned the whole school as to such conduct on any similar occasion.
- 18th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress
19 Very Fair School. Usual work.
- 22 Good attendance. Removed the children to a Standard Higher with the exception of those who were not presented on account of not being eligible.
Made out a fresh Time Table for the

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- School. Visit of Miss Carwithen who gave a singing lesson. Also of Miss Young & Loye
- 23 Attendance Good & usual routine as on Monday.
- 24 Good attendance. Visit of Rev. J. C. Carwithen
- 25 Good School Usual work
- 26 Do Do Visit of Miss Carwithen, Miss Young & Loy. Former gave a music lesson & intends doing so every Monday & Friday.
- 29 Good School. Usual work. Visit of Miss C.
- 30 Do Do
- 31st Do Do
- November 1st Attendance Good. Find the New Routine answering. Boys progressing in their new rules. Visit of Miss Young who assisted at the Needle Work.
- 2nd Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Carwithen who gave a singing lesson

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Nov. 5th Good School. Ordinary work.

- 6th Do. Do
- 7 Attendance Good. Visit of Miss Young & Loye who inspected Needle work. Gave a singing lesson the last $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour of the afternoon instead of ordinary work.
- 8 Usual Attendance. Fifth Standard finished learning their tables & commence Addition of Weights & Measures.
- 9 Very Fair School. Cautioned the children as to their coming late in the ensuing week. Singing lesson.
- 12 Good School. Children came much earlier. The chief cause of several coming late is that often of a gloomy or rainy morning those at a considerable distance Hallsands, Frogmore etc. wait to see whether it intends to rain or shine.
- 13 Good School. Several children absent knocking down & picking up apples
Visit of Rev. J. C. Carwithen
- 14 Few children absent. Pounding apples & stripping Mangold. Usual work.

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- 15th Good School. Visit of Miss May to purchase a Copy Book. Allowed Hallsands children to leave earlier on account of the afternoon being cold, wet & dreary.
- 16th Wet day. Very Fair School. Ordinary work

Report of H. M. Inspector on Stokenham
National School for the year ending Sep. 30 1866

“There is a great falling off in the state of this school since last year, as far as Instruction goes – Mr. Lavers & his sister will have to work hard to recover lost ground”

My Lords have allowed an undiminished grant with considerable hesitation. Unless a much larger proportion of the Scholars pass at the next examination, especially in Arithmetic, the Grant for the current year will be reduced under article 52,a.

H. M. Inspector states that the School is now too much crowded. At eight square feet per child the school room is only sufficient for 84, and the attendance should

be reduced to this number, if the accommodation

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cannot be immediately increased.

Cubical space has to be considered on Sanitary grounds, but does not supersede the consideration of area.

Several Infants namely S. Hutchings
H. Harradon, S. Codd, T. Brooking, J. Mitchelmore
E. Mabin, S. Luscombe, J. Hannaford, J. Edgland
J. Earl and S. Cole have been struck out of the
Examination Schedule because they are more
than six years old.

J. H. Barton – Religious Knowledge

Before deciding on the admission of Wm. H.
Higden, My Lords, desire to be furnished
With the Medical Certificate required
by article 88. I am further to enquire
the exact date of his birth, the day and
month as well as year should be given

J. C. Carwithen
Secretary

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Nov 19th Good School. Usual work & progress.
20th Excellent Attendance. Usual progress.
21st Good attendance. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Car-
withen, Mr. Pitts & Clements to form a
plan of enlarging the School.
22nd Very Good School. Visit of the Rev., J. C. Car-
withen. Usual work.
23rd Good attendance. Visit of the Vicar who
requested to hear the children sing. Gave
a singing lesson in the Afternoon from 3.30
to 4.15.

26th Very Good School. Fine weather & no out-
door employment for children. Usual work.
27th Attendance Good. Visit of the Vicar &
passing call of Mrs. Holdsworth to pay
A. Hannaford for winning the Knitting
Prize at the South Devon Show.
28th Good School. Usual work.
29th Attendance Good. Progress as usual.
30th Attendance Good. Usual routine.

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December 3rd Good School & usual work.
 4th Miserable Weather, torrents of rain the whole day. Poor school the consequence.
 5th Wet day. Fair School. Usual work.
 6th Wet day. Poor School. Ordinary work.
 7th Do Do Do

10th Wet still continues but better School. Good attendance in higher chasses but Poor in the lower. No Scripture lesson in the morning as heretofore but Dictation.
 11th Wet. Fair attendance. Usual progress
 12th Do Do Do
 13th Do Do Do
 14th Weather is miserable. Everything dripping. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Mr. Clements & Rhymes with Plans of the New Addition. Singing lesson the last three quarters of an hour.

17th Wet. Fair School. Ordinary progress
 Sent after Absentees
 18th Wet. Fair attendance. Excuses of absentees – Weather – Colds – Sore throats

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Bad heads. This latter disease seems to be very prevalent this time of the year. See preceding notes. Cautioned all the School as to cleanliness of their heads.
 19th Wet still. Very Fair School. Ordinary routine & progress.
 20th Cleared a little but too late in the week to bring larger attendance. Usual work.
 21st Very Fair School. Usual work in the morning. Visit of Miss Carwithen & Mrs. Martin to hear the children sing. Several of 1st Class boys this Afternoon went cleaning School windows, ink-wells – walls – maps – tidying Books & gumming them. Singing for half an hour then dismissed, to break up for a fortnights holiday.

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Jan 7th. Reopening of School after a fortnights vacation. Fair Attendance owing to rough weather & Shooting on the Ley, a great day with every one. Usual work & progress.
 8th Very fair Attendance. Ley shooting continued consequently all Torcross children absent, partly because their fathers row the Sportsmens' boats. Commenced School This Afternoon at 1.15 pm to enable the children to see the shooting. Left

- School at 3. The remainder of time given as a part of the holiday owed to them by Government Inspector.
- 9th Usual routine & not one boy or girl late. Very Fair Attendance, but weather boisterous. Ordinary routine.
- 10th Attendance Fair. Usual work.
- 11th Fair School. Ordinary work.
- 14th Severe Snow Storm & Frost. Attendance consequently small among the Lower Standards. Sent after Absentees by the Teachers. Usual work.

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- January 15th Severe Frost. Excuses of Parents of the Absentees are the cold and distance.
- 16th Severe Frost. Usual work.
- 17th Frost still very dangerous travelling. Infants School small. Higher classes very Fair.
- 18th Frost & cold easternly wind. Usual work.
- 21st Hard wind from the East and as keen as a knife. Fair School. Ordinary work
- 22nd Wind continues. Very stormy. Three or four feet of water in some of the Torcross houses consequently very few children from that neighbourhood. Usual work.
- 23rd Frost breaking up. Singing Feast & general hunt. Began to rain this afternoon. Fair School.
- 24th Fair School. Usual routine & progress
- 25th Do Do
- 28th Good School. Usual work & progress
- 29th Do Do Do
- 30th Do Do Do
- 31st Do Do Do
- February 1st Do Do Do

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- February 4th Good School. Visit of Miss Johnson
- 5th Very Good Attendance. Usual routine
- 6th Do Do
- 7th Do Do
- 8th Attendance thin. Fearful storm the whole day. Wind blowing a regular hurricane & raining in torrents. Letter writing first lesson of this Afternoon. No sewing as a few girls are present. Mistress not required in School on account of small attendance.
- 11th Good School. Sent after Absentees. Visit of Mr Higden & Wright. Usual work.
- 12th Good attendance & Usual work

13th Do Do
14th Do Do
15th Do Do

18th Good attendance. 4th 5th & 6th Standards
worked their sums on paper as in exam
19th Good Attendance. Dictation on paper
with 3rd 4th 5th & 6th Standards
intend to continue this until Exams.

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20th Good attendance. Two or three children from
Widewell absent on account of an infectious
disease. Potato planting nuisance began
again. Usual work.
21st Fine Weather and Potato planting. Usual
routine & progress.
22nd Good School. Took first three classes in
Catechism first lesson this morning. This
Afternoon the higher classes letter writing
& examination in Arithmetic. Lower Standards
Numeration & Notation.
25th Fine weather and good school. Few new faces.
Regular work & progress.
26th Very good attendance. Usual work & progress
27th Good School. Usual work
28th Do Do
March 1st Good Attendance. Singing between 3.30 pm
and 4.15
4th Bitter cold boisterous wind. Little ones glad
to stop home. Cautioned the school as
requested by Road Surveyor as to stopping
drains and 'Buddle' holes. Usual routine

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March 5 Very Fair School. Usual routine & progress in
the morning. Singing the last lesson this Afternoon
by the request of the Vicar.
6th Ash Wednesday. Good School. Arithmetic the first
half hour. Practicing Singing for church remainder
of the time. All started for Church at 10.30 am
7th Good School. Usual work.
8th Good School. Ordinary routine & progress
11th Very Fair School. Sent after absentees. Usual work
12 Very rough weather. Regular hurricane. No
Girls can stand in it, consequently poor school.
13 Weather miserable. Snowing. Torcross children
cannot leave on account of the Ley overflowing
the road, to the depth of several feet. Coach
could not even pass. Poor school but usual
work.
14th Hurricane still continues. Poor attendance.

15th Wind subsided. Rain in torrents. Thin attendance

18th Wind and rain. Some of Torcross people obliged to leave their houses for fear of the sea washing away their dwellings. No Torcross children. No passage round the Ley.

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School thinly attended.
19th Snow from 6 to 11 am. Very few children can venture out. No Scripture lesson this morning. Attendance very thin. Torcross still water-logged.
20th The storm is over but too late to add any more to the attendance, as its an old established practice in this parish to pay a penny or twopence for the whole week. Weather also so unsettled that Parents will not run the risk of giving their children a thorough drenching. Torcross still in distress. Usual work and progress.
21st Attendance thin for the above reasons. Usual routine & progress.
22nd Thinly Attended. Usual work & progress
25th Good Attendance. Torcross children returned
26th Do Usual work.
27 Very good School. Singing from 9.30 to 10.30 am. All started for Church at 10.45 as requested by the Vicar. Usual work in the Afternoon. Cautioned a few as to their behaviour whilst at Church.
28th Good School. Usual routine & progress
29 Attendance Good. Higden the Teacher

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absent on account of illness. Visit of the Rev. Albans curate of Sherford who took the 3rd & 4th Standards in Reading and Arithmetic. Singing from 3.40 to 4.30
April 1st Good Attendance. Many absent on account of Potato Planting, which after the continual wet is worked now very briskly.
2nd Good School. Potato Plague still. Visit of the Incumbent & Mr. Clements the Carpenter to measure the site for new addition. Last ½ hour in Afternoon singing at request of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.
3rd Very Fair School. First hour singing. All started for Church at 10.45. Usual routine this Afternoon
4th Good Attendance & regular routine
5th Very Fair School. Singing from 3.30 to 4.20 pm

8th Very Fair School. Potato planting still carried on & consequently several children absent on that account. Usual Work

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9th Good Attendance. Visit of the Vicar and Mr. Clements the former of which heard the boys sing and appointed Hymns & Psalms to be sung tomorrow.

10th Good Attendance. Singing the first hour. With the exception of little ones all started for Church at 10.30. Usual work this afternoon.

11th Very Fair School. Examined 4th & 5th Standards in Reading. Also 2 and 3rd & gave result to Higden. Examined 3 & 4th Standards Arithmetic and gave the result to their Teacher (Barton)

12 Good School. Cautioned Torcross children this morning about an old established practice of going home to dinner Friday Afternoons. Punishment if practise continued – 6 sums to be worked by each child before they leave School. Singing last ½ hour this Afternoon.

15 Good School. Visit of the Rev. St. Albans this Afternoon who heard 5 & 6 Standards read. & examined their Arithmetic.

16 Good School. Several children absent on account of Barley Planting when they are required to drive horses. Usual work.

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April 17th Good School. Usual work & progress

18th Good attendance. Few Chapel boys absent to decorate for Good Friday. Usual work.

19th Good Friday. No School.

22 Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Vicar & Mr. Clements to settle about plans. Usual work & progress

23 Good attendance this morning. Few off to Fair this afternoon. Half holiday with former Master. Ordinary work.

24 Excellent School. Scripture Lessons on Death, Burial & resurrection of Christ through the School.

25 Very Good Attendance. & Usual work.

26 Good School. Kept in children who were going home to dinner at Torcross. Singing last ¾ of an hour. Leant "All Among the Barley".

29 Good School. Visit of the Rev. St. Albans who took 3rd & 4th Standards in Reading and Arithmetic. Usual work & progress

30th Good School Do

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- May 1st Capital School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen
Usual routine & progress
- 2nd Good School. Ordinary work & progress
- 3rd Do Do
- 6th School well attended. Cautioned F. Luscombe
about his playing the truant. Did not punish
as he was led away by a man with horse &
cart. Promised never to offend in such a way
again. Usual work & progress.
- 7th Good Attendance. Few absent planting
mangold.
- 8th Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Car-
withen. Usual work.
- 9th Good School. Visit of Rev. St. Aubyn
who examined the Reading & Writing of
1st & 2nd Standards especially that of the
Sherford Children. Expressed himself satis-
fied with their progress.
- 10th Very Good School. No Torcross children left
for their dinners. Singing from 3.30 to 4.15
pm. Makeham ill & E. Bickford fainted.
This is owing to the smallness of School
In comparison with the numbers.

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- May 13th Good School. Several children home sick in
the "Mumps" a disease now very prevalent
among children. Usual work & progress.
- 14th Good School, but rather wet & consequently
Hallsands & other distant places send very
few of their children. Usual work.
- 15th Good School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen
Usual work and progress.
- 16th Very good school. Several home still in the
Mumps. Usual routine & progress.
- 17th Attendance Good. Catechism lesson in morn-
ing & writing examination this Afternoon.
Music from 3.30 to 4.15 pm. Cautioned
all the School as to annoying farmers by
running over their fields & picking
the flowers of vetch & trifolium. Visit
of Mr. Higden.
- 20th Very Fair Attendance but "Mumps" still
prevalent among the children and increasing.
Regular work and progress.
- 21st Good Attendance but many children sick.
The disease seems to be very infectious, attack-
ing each member of the same family in

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succession. Examined 1st & 2nd Standards

- in figures.
- 22nd Good School. Examined 3/4th Standards Arithmetic & gave Teacher the result.
- 23 Very Good attendance. Visit of the Rev: St. Albans, who heard the reading in 4 & 5th Standards. Exd. 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic.
- 24th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress. Spoke to the whole school about the Attendance on Sundays as requested by Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Sunday School on the decline on account of the inducements held out to the children in the shape of prizes & Tea treats neither of which is given in Stok. N. S. as in the dissenting Chapels.
- 27th Good School. Examined 1 & 2nd Standards Writing. Ordinary work & progress.
- 28th Very good School. Several of those children who had been absent in Mumps returned again. Weather fine & the Mumps suffering decline.
- 29 Attendance Very good. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen.
- 39th Good Attendance. Visit of Mr. Higden & gave Mr. Higden the monitor leave to go with his father

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- William Higden bound to the Managers & becomes a Pupil Teacher indentures being dated from Sept. 30th from which time his salary of 3/-s per week commences. Ordinary work & progress.
- 31st Very Good School. Singing last ¼ of an hour this Afternoon.
- June 3rd Very Good School. Examined 3rd & 4th Standards Dictation including Writing. Remainder of time as usual.
- 4th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss & the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Miss C. overlooked the Writing & Dictation of 3rd & 4th Standards & heard the children sing an hymn.
- 5th Good School. Rather a wet day but usual work and progress.
- 6th Good School. Examined 1st Standard's Small Letters and figures. Gave result to Mistress.
- 7th Very good School. Examined 3rd 4th 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic in the same manner as that by Mr. Arnold. Children who work their sums well on

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Slates worked them wrongly on Paper, so that Arithmetic on Paper must be more frequently introduced. Singing from 3.30 to 4.15 & Cautioned whole school as regards next week when for the same of a few "Fairs"

so called, the children absent themselves for the whole week. See also former years.

- 10th Beautiful day. Beesands Fair. Rather a small School. Let the whole school out 20 minutes earlier, it being Whit Monday. & Masters Birthday. Regular work & progress.
- 11th Whit Tuesday. Juvenile picnic at Torcross as usual. Also Singing Feast. Good School however & usual progress.
- 12th Fine weather. Good School. Hay harvest commences. Examined 2 & 3rd Standards Reading.
- 13th Good attendance. Regular Work & progress
- 14th " Catechism this morning for 1st four classes until 10.45. When usual work commenced. This afternoon examined 4th 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic on Paper as by Inspector. Singing from 3.30 – 4.15 pm

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- 17th Good School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen who for 20 minutes inspected the Classes generally. Examined 1st Standards Reading.
- 18th Very Good School. Obligated to let some of the children out earlier Afternoons than usual to carry their fathers' drinkings. This cannot be prevented. If the Master would not allow the children to leave they would stay away for the whole Afternoon. Regular routine & progress.
- 19th Excellent Attendance. Examined 6th 5th 4th & 3rd Standards Arithmetic as by Inspector. Great improvement in the work.
- 20th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 21st Good Attendance. Singing between 3.30 – 4.15.
- 24th Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 25th Do Do
- 26th Very Good Attendance. Mumps dying out. Examined 3. 4 5. 6 Standards Arithmetic. Singing last ½ hour.
- 27th Good Attendance. Usual routine.

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- 28th Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Singing from 3.30 – 4.15
- July 1st Wet Day. Very Fair Attendance. Sent after all absentees. Usual routine & progress.
- 2 Very Fair School. Kingsbridge regatta visited by a good many children with their pa-

- rents. Ordinary work.
- 3rd Good School. Taught 5th Standards Cross Multiplication, after been satisfied that they can work the sums as reqd. by Code. Came in wet just about 4. Kept children until 5 in expectation of the weather clearing. N. Brooking acts as Monitor with Shepherd and takes his lessons mornings with Teachers for the first time.
- 4th Good Attendance. Visit this Afternoon of Rev: St. Albans who questioned 5. 6th Standards In New Testament.
- 5th Good Attendance. Visit of Rev: J. C. Carwithen Mrs. Spencer who requested to hear the Singing. Children did not leave until Nearly 1. Visit in the afternoon of Miss Newman & Mrs. & Miss Cornish. This is the Greatest number of visitors since I've been here

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- 8th Very Good School. Harvest nearly over & consequently better attendance. Usual routine and progress.
- 9th Attendance Very Good & fine weather. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Cautioned the whole school as regards their school money which they bring very irregularly thus occupying more of the Masters time than can be tolerated. Regular work & progress.
- 10th Very Good Attendance. Introduced a new method of teaching Subtraction. Find great difficulty to make children of 6 years of age understand the carrying figure. Examined 2 & 3RD Standards Arithmetic as well as reading. Taught 6 Standard Compound Interest.
- 11th Excellent Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Few of the children from Tor-Cross late this morning owing to their Parents being engaged in the Mackerel Catching. Usual routine & progress.
- 12th Good School. Examined 3rd 4th 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic as by H. M. I. Singing from 3.30 – 4.15

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- 15th Good School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen Usual work and progress
- 16th Very Good School. Usual Work & progress
- 17 Do Do
- 18 Do Do
- 19 Good Attendance. Singing between 3.30 & 4.15
- 22 Good School. Cautioned whole school as regards their neglect in bringing money at end of week instead of Mondays. As this is the second time shall punish all forgetfulness.

- Usual Work.
- 23 Attendance Very Good. Examined II Stand. Arithmetic Subtraction & find improvement in the working. Visit of Rev: St. Albans for 15 minutes who took 1st Class Scripture.
- 24 Good Attendance. Rather wet. Usual work.
- 25 Do Do Do
- 26 Very Good School. Catechism this morning instead of usual Scripture lesson. Singing afternoon from 3.30 - 4.15
Learnt "Hurrah for England"

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- July 29th Good School. Beautiful Weather. Usual routine.
- 30th Very Good School. Usual work & progress
- 31st Do Do
- August 1st Do Examined 2nd Standards
Arithmetic Subtraction & find tem improved
Although much puzzled sometimes about the noughts.
- 2nd Very Good School. Visit of Mr. Brunskill of Tomkins for ½ hour. Singing this Afternoon from 3.20 to 4.15.
- 5th Beautiful Weather & Capital School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Ordinary work.
- 6 Good School. Harvest begins. Cutting corn many places. Examined whole Schools Arithmetic.
- 7 Very Good School. Usual work & progress
- 8 Do Do
- 9 Catechism to a whole full School instead of usual Scripture Lesson. Singing from 3.20 to 4pm after Dictation to 3 & 4th Standards of the song.

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- 12th Beautiful Weather. A very good School. Examined 5 & 6th Standards Arithmetic, Reading & Dictation
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who advised to break up on Friday next as great quantities of corn will be saved the following week.
Thrashed I. Edgland & A. Chadder for bad behaviour in Church, especially because they were both old offenders. With the exceptions above usual routine in other Standards.
- 13th Very Good School. Visit of the Vicar. Several boys requested to leave early to carry Fathers dinner and "drinkings" Examined 4th 3rd Standards Arithmetic & Reading. Nearly all are fit to work fresh rules in 4th Standard. 3rd St: Numeration not good.
- 14th Very Fair School. Saving corn about and consequently several absentees. Catechism 1st Lesson this morning in higher Standards.

- 15th Good School. Usual routine & progress.
 16 Good School. Visit of Rev: J. C. Carwithen to make arrangements before breaking up. Singing lesson early part of Afternoon. 1st Class boys cleaning windows ink wells etc. School closes for Harvest Vacation. 2 wks holiday.

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- Sept. 2nd School reopens after harvest holidays. Fair Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. All children in one room as the new addition is not yet completed. Usual routine & progress.
 3rd Very Fair School. Rather wet. Little gleaning in harvest fields. Usual work.
 4th Fair School. Fair day. Many gleaners away. Rev. J. C. Carwithen visited us. Routine as usual.
 5th Very Fair School. Passing call of the Vicar. Usual progress and work.
 6th Very Fair School. Fine day & many ear-pickers. Singing from 3.30 to 4.15 pm. Catechism instead of Usual Scripture Lesson this morning. Cautioned boys About using pieces of timber for cricket ball thereby endangering the person of any heretofore that happened to be in the playground. Punish if repeated.

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- 9th Very Fair School. Usual routine & progress.
 10th Good School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen, Rev: St. Alban and a friend who heard the children sing.
 11th Good School. Ear picking nearly over. Potato digging plague now. Usual work.
 12th Good School. Regular routine.
 13th Very Fair School. Singing in the Afternoon with marching to facilitate the changing of lessons, which at the present is very inconvenient owing to the desks.
 16th Good School. Thanksgiving day for the late abundant harvest. All went to Church in the Morning. Tea treat this afternoon, but as the children were assembled in School room the required time by Government consequently the registers were taken. The children were visited by the Vicar, Miss Holdsworth, Miss Adams Miss Loyes Miss March, Miss Maye etc. and the Church choir. Everything went off well
 17th Good School. Usual work & progress
 18 Do Do
 19th Do & visit of the Vicar
 20th Do Usual work & progress.

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- Sept. 23rd Good School. Visit of the Vicar. The Mistress absent through illness, consequently no sewing in the Afternoon.
- 24th Very good school. Torcross thanksgiving day but no children absent. Allowed Torcross children to leave early to go to a public tea. Usual work.
- 24^{5th} Very Good School. Progress as usual
- 26th Good School. Many boys at home digging potatoes, also picking apples. Visit this dinner time of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen to hasten the building or finishing of the new addition. Routine as usual
- 27th Good School. Pepperell went home to dinner at Torcross, a habit spoken of in former entries. As however he was wanted to dig Potatoes I did not punish. Singing and Marching from 3.45 to 4.30

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- Sept. 30th Very Good School. Visit of our Vicar, Potato digging still a plague. Usual routine & progress.
- October 1st Very Good School. Usual work & progress
- 2nd Do Do
- 3rd Do Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. South Pool National School opened. Few of the children gone to see the proceedings.
- 4th Good School. Higden the Teacher absent from School by permission of the Committee. Visit of the Vicar. Usual work and progress.
- 7th Very Good School. The new addition finished and used to day. Visit of the Vicar and the Rev: St. Aubyn who heard the children sing.
- 8th Very Good School. Usual progress
- 9 Do Do
- 10 Do Do
- 11th Do Cautioned children about running over the fields adjoining the School thereby damaging the crops. Singing from 3.45 to 4.20 pm

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- October 14th Good School. Usual work & progress
- 15th Very good school. Visit of the Rev: St. Albyn. Ordinary work & progress
- 16th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 17th Do Do

18th Do Do

21st Good School but rather wet and consequently those at a considerable distance afraid.
Usual routine & progress

22nd Fine Day. Very Good School. Several Apple picking and pounding

23rd Very Good School. Ordinary work and progress

24th Attendance Very Good. Permitted few of the children that is those from Hall-sands, Slapton, Lannacombe, Kellaton and Borough to leave 10 min or 15 min before the others as its dark before they arrive home. I have been requested to do this all through the winter by the Parents. Catechism and Explanation.

25th Usual work and progress.

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28th Wet Day. Very Fair attendance. Usual Routine & progress

29th Very wet Day but good attendance. Removed few of the 4th Standard children into the 5th Standard as the Examination is postponed and the boys are able to do the required work. Ordinary routine.

30th Good School. Usual work & progress

31st Do Do

Novbr. 1st Good School. Learning Catechism 1st Lesson this morning, Writing Catechism from Memory the 2nd. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Singing last Lesson

4th Good School. Usual routine & progress.

5 Very Fair School. Rather Wet. Examined 4th & 5th Standards Reading. Gave result to Teacher. Removed few children a Standard higher

6th Very Fair School. Visit of the Vicar who examined 6th & 5th Standards Arithmetic

7 Good School. Usual routine

8 Very Fair Attendance. Singing last Lesson & Catechism.

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11th Very Good School. Ordinary work & progress

12 Do Do
Punished I. Rhymes for playing the truant

13th Beautiful Weather. Good attendance

14th Do Do

15th Do Do

18th Weather Delightful. Full School. Visit

- of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Usual routine
 19th Good School. Usual routine
 20th Do Do Visit of the
 Architect Mr. Lidstone to examine the
 New Addition.
 21st Very Good School. Visit of the Miss Holds-
 worths and also of the Rev: J. C. Car-
 withen. Ordinary work & progress.
 22 Few absent to day. Potato digging
 Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Rev: St. Aubyn
 Visited school this morning & examined
 1st & 2nd Standards Reading. 5th 6th
 Arithmetic 1st Standards Letters both
 Capital & Small & 3rd Standards
 Arithmetic (Mental). Singing

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- 25 Beautiful weather and full School. Visit of
 the Vicar who Examined the classes generally.
 26th Readmitted two Hallsands boys (Gillard)
 with a caution as to their future atten-
 dance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen
 who examined Dictation.
 27th Full School. The Rev: J. C. Carwithen
 helped in the Reading and corrected
 Teachers (Higden) roughness of manner
 in teaching. Regular routine &
 progress.
 28th Very good Attendance. The Rev: J. C.
 Carwithen visited school & examined
 1st Standards letters & figures, 3rd
 Standards Dictation and 5th & 6th
 Standards Spelling. The usual routine
 was followed
 29th Very Good Attendance. Usual routine
 & progress. Visit of the Rev: J. C.
 Carwithen who overlooked the regular
 work.

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- December 2nd Heavy Snow fall all the Morning.
 Such an one has not occurred for 20 yrs.
 Consequently very few children especially
 in the Lower classes. Usual routine
 & progress.
 3rd Snow lies thick. Few children. Usual
 routine & progress
 4th Snow remains & freezing all day.
 Small Attendance & visit of the Vicar.
 5th Thawing. Fair School. Usual work.
 6th Fair Attendance & Usual routine
 9th Very Good School & Usual work.
 10th Very good attendance. Visit of the
 Rev: St. Aubyn, who examined Reading
 Writing Arithmetic & Scripture knowledge

11th Attendance Very Good. Ordinary routine & progress. Few Torcros children went home to dinner & did not return again on account of Ley Shooting.

12th Ley Shooting Continues. Few Torcros children absent. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who Examined 1st Class
Usual routine

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13th Very Good School. Catechism Lesson in the Morning instead of usual Scripture. Singing from 3.30 to 4.15 pm

16th Very Fair School. Usual routine and progress

17 Do Do

18 Do Do

19 Good School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and Rev: St. Aubyn, who Examined the School generally and heard the children sing.

20th Good School. Usual routine & progress

23rd Fair School. Children always formerly had a fortnights holiday at this season of the year but as the time of the examination was altered to February it was thought advisable by the Committee to postpone the Vacation until immediately after the Inspectors visit, or prolong the Harvest holidays. Usual routine observed on this day.

24th Fair School for Christmas Week.

Usual routine & progress

25th Christmas Day & Holiday

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26th Fair Attendance General holiday
Usual routine & progress.

27th Fair School. Catechism, Letter Writing and singing this Afternoon, and left School $\frac{1}{4}$ hour Earlier

30th Fair attendance. Frosty weather and piercing wind. Usual work.

31st Fair School. Usual Work & progress.

January 1st 1868 Very Fair School. Usual work

2 Do Do

3 Do Do

6th Very Fair School. Usual work & progress

7th Do Do

8 Attendance Good. Examined 3rd Standards Arithmetic and found them doing well. Higden absent from Lessons this evening on account of toothache.

9th Very Fair Attendance. Ordinary work

10th Do Do

Barton absent from lessons

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- 13 Good School. Ordinary work & progress.
- 14 Very Good School. Higden absent on account of illness. Shepherd the monitor took Teachers place & Rogers became Monitor.
- 15 Good School. Higdens illness still continues. Routine as usual & Teachers as yesterday.
- 16 Good School. Higden re-appears. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 17th Very Windy & Rainy Day, but very fair School. Usual work & progress.
- 20 Stormy day. Very Fair School. Usual work.
- 21 Attendance Good. Higden absent this Afternoon to attend the funeral of his Grandmother. Usual work.
- 22 Very Fair Attendance. Ordinary Work. Higden the Teacher brings his lessons for the first time since January 13th.
- 22 Very Fair School, but the weather stormy. Usual routine & progress.
- 24 Fair School. Singing & Catechism instead of Scripture & Arithmetic. Ordinary progress.

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- 27th Very Fair School. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 28th Good Attendance. Examined 2nd & 3rd Standard Arithmetic. Gave result to Teacher. Progress as usual.
- 29 Attendance Good. Examined 1st Stand. Arithmetic, reading and letters, both Capital & Small, and find them well up in their work for examination.
- 30th Weather Extremely rough. School swamped with Water from Ventilators, and broken glass. Visit of Mr. Pitts to order about repairs. School work as usual.
- 31st Very Fair School. Usual routine & progress.
- February 3rd Very Fair School. Usual routine & progress.
- 4th Very Fair School. Visit of the Rev: Abrihall Usual routine & progress.
- 5th Good Attendance. Informed the children when the Inspection takes place and cautioned them as regards their attendance up to the date. Usual Routine & progress
- 6 Good School. Weather Good

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Visit of Rev: Abrihall who examined the Second Stand.d in Reading Spelling & tables.

- 9th Passing Call of Rev: J. C. Carwithen
Routine this afternoon as usual.
Very Fair School. Singing as usual this Afternoon. Other work as by table.
- 10th Good School. Usual work & progress.
Higden absent from lessons.
- 11th Good School. Usual routine & progress.
- 12 Beautiful Weather & Good School. Examd.
3rd Standards Arithmetic, Reading &
Writing. Other work as time table.
- 13 Good School. Examd. 2nd Standards Reading
Writing & Arithmetic
- 14th Good School. Usual routine & progress.
- 17th Very Good Attendance. Examined 2nd
Standards Arithmetic. 4ths Reading & 1sts
Arithmetic & letters. Singing & Catechism
From 4 to 4.45 pm
- 18th Attendance Very Good. Potato planting
plague commencing again. Scripture Lesson
from 4.15pm to 4.50

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- 19th Very Good School. Examined School generally.
Ordinary routine observed this day.
- 20th Attendance Good. Usual work
- 21st Attendance Very good. Singing & Catechism from
3.45 to 4.45 p.m.
- 24th Full School. Usual work in Morning.
Visit of Mr. Pitts & Rev: J. C. Carwithen to
Examine Registers and school accounts.
School closed 3.30 pm to prepare for the
Inspector
- 25th John Lavers Certificated Teacher of the
4th Class 1st Grade.
James H. Barton – Pupil Teacher of the
2nd Year
Wm. H. Higden. Pupil Teacher of the
1st year

E. P. Arnold

School Inspected to day by the Ref: E. P. Arnold. Every thing passed off well, & The Inspector satisfied. 186 present in the Morning. 145 eligible for the Examination including Infants of these latter

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Screech, Kellond, Boom and the Infant Rogers were absent, but for satisfactory reasons. The Inspector wishes Geography to be

taught in the next year, which shall be complied with immediately, & of course a New Time Table. The School was visited during the day by Rev: J. C. Carwithen & also the Rev. St. Albyns (2) and the Misses Car-Withens (2)

26th Very Good School. Went to Church in the Morning being Ash Wednesday & sung 3 hymns. Rev: J. C. Carwithen congratulated the children on passing such a successful examination. Routine as usual this Afternoon.

29th Holiday on account of Pupil Teachers Examination at Salcombe. Rev. d E. P. Arnold was satisfied with Bartons repetition: 60 lines from Wordsworths Wanderer.

28th Very Good School & usual routine.

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March 2 Very Good School. Placed all the children a Standard higher, but find it increasing the hard work as some of the classes are very full, especially 2nd & 3rd. Whilst that of the Mistress is small. Usual routine & progress.

3rd Full School. Cautioned Chadder, Barton & Issel as regards their behaviour in Church. As they promised never to offend In future did not punish. Ordinary routine & progress.

4th Full School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who requested the children to attend Church. Singing from 10 to 11. Took whole School to Church, where the children acted as the choir Usual work this Afternoon.

5th Attendance Very Good. Ordinary Work.

6th Do Visit of Miss Holdsworth. Singing from 3.45 to 4.30. Taught the children Beautiful Star. Some of them knew it before & so the remainder caught it easily.

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9th Full School. Potato Planters returning again. Usual routine & progress.

10th Full School. Refused a boy subject to fits to admittance into the School. This is the third. Gave Geography Lesson for the first time. & find the children delighted with their New Subject. Sing Beautiful Star after Prayers for 10 minutes

11th Good Attendance & Ordinary Work & progress

12th Do The Mistress absent to day. Gone to her home & intends also staying

away to morrow. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen with Friend; only stayed 5 minutes. The routine of the School on account of the absence of the Mistress altered a little. Singing from 3.35 to 4.35 pm

13 Good School. Mistress still absent. Letter writing this Afternoon, the remainder of the work as Yesterday with the addition of learning poetry
1st Lesson this Afternoon.

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16th Very Fair School, but rather a wet Morning. Usual routine & progress & the Mistress returned.

17th Good School. Potato Plague commencing again. The Main Crop now being put in Usual routine & progress.

18th Good School. Ordinary Work & progress.

19th Do Do

20th Attendance Good. Usual work as per Time Table.

23rd Attendance Good. Work & progress as usual.

24 Good Attendance. Work & progress as usual

25 Do Went to Church in morning and practised singing from 10 to 11 to sing there.

26 Very Good School & usual work

27 Do but as it's a beautiful day several children on leave to plant potatoes.

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Summary of the Inspector's Report on the School, and remarks (if any) to be made

The Managers have made wonderful improvements in the School buildings since my last visit. They have been enlarged and New Windows have been opened which make the room light and cheerful. Mr. Lavers also must have worked hard since last year for the discipline is very good, and there is remarkable improvement in the instruction. This is the only good school in this part of the Country and it is attended by children from all the surrounding hamlets. H. M. Inspector states that some reading sheets and letters are wanted for the Infants. My Lords have on

the present occasion paid a grant under Sect. II of the minute of February 20th 1867 on account of the three boys who passed in higher arithmetic. H. M.

Inspector states however that there is a deficiency of Arithmetical Books, and My Lords, will be unable to renew their

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grant for this subject under the minute, unless they are satisfied on his report, that the Boys state and work their sums in a more accurate and methodical manner.

Mr. Lavers will shortly receive his Certificate

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**R. Bull
J. C. Carwithen Secretary**

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30th Very Good Attendance. Usual work & progress

31st Do Do

April 1st Attendance Very Good. Singing from 10 to 11 am. All started for Church at 11.30 am
Rev: J. C. Carwithen called this Afternoon.
Remained half hour later this last lesson to make up for work this morning.

2nd Usual Attendance, work & progress

3rd Do Do Do

6th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
Cautioned boys about their behaviour in Church. Punished Chadder & 2 Hutchings for an example. Also Pepperel severely for his very rude behaviour & disrespect in School.

7th Good School. Usual routine & progress

8th Do Do

9th Good School. First Class this Afternoon
cleaned inkstands, windows, slates etc.
previous to breaking up for a week.

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10th Good Friday

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14) Holidays. Examinations in former years, occurred

15) in October, but for the Convenience of H. M. Inspector

16) it was postponed until February, as therefore Xmas

17) holidays would interfere with the work, it was thought
advisable to give the holidays at Easter instead.

20th Return from Holidays. School re-opens. Attendance as on all opening days rather meagre.

But usual routine & progress
 21 Fair attendance. Usual work & progress
 22 Do Do
 23 Do Do
 24 Do Do

 27th Good attendance. Lovely Weather. Usual work
 28th Do Do Do
 29 Do Do Do
 30 Excellent attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C.
 Carwithen & Reg. E. St. Aubyn.
 Usual routine & progress.
 June 1 Usual attendance, work & progress

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4 Lovely Weather. Very Good attendance. Punished
 2 boys Edgland & Hannaford for Bad Behaviour during
 Divine Service. Cautioned others as to their con-
 duct in future. Ordinary work.
 5th Very Good Attendance. Examined 1st & 2nd
 Standards in Reading, Writing, Arithmetic
 First Stand.d very backward, not owing to
 the inability of the Mistress but the age & size
 of the children some of which are scarcely 6
 years of age & as regards size only infants.
 Introduce Simultaneous Reading more
 frequently.
 6 Very Good Attendance. Usual Work & progress
 7th Do Do
 8th Do Passing Visit of the Rev: E.
 St. Aubyn.

 11 Excellent Attendance. Behaviour in Church
 yesterday very good. No trouble with
 any one. Usual routine & progress.
 12 Very Good Attendance. Took 1st Stand.d
 in Simultaneous Reading but find it
 very difficult for them to follow the
 Reading & many of them not at real work.

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especially the slower ones. Remedied
 the evil by putting a backward child
 with one more forward, & making
 the latter point with the finger which
 he is able to do easily, and the for-
 mer to follow the Reading with the
 eye.
 13 Very Good Attendance. Examined 3rd
 & 4th Standards Dictation & find
 them doing well.
 14th Attendance Very Good. Usual routine
 & progress.
 15 Passing Call of the Rev: E. St. Aubyn
 Mental Arithmetic last lesson this
 afternoon instead of Singing

18th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
 19 Do Do
 20th Do Do
 21st Do Do
 22nd Attendance Very Good. Made a few of Tor-cross children work half dozen sums during dinner hour for the old & Bad practice of absenting themselves Friday Afternoon.

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May 25th Good School. Hay Harvest commences. Cautioned children about staying home all the morning or afternoon merely to carry Fathers Lunch or tea drinkings. Promised to allow any child to leave the School earlier in order to supply the Father with necessaries for harvest. Unless this plan is resorted to Scores of children would absent themselves daily when they should be at School.
 26th Very Good Attendance. Told the whole School that on June 23rd a tea treat would be given them to celebrate the marriage of Miss Georgina Houldsworth.
 Ordinary work & progress
 27th Very Good Attendance as a natural consequence of yesterdays information. Lectured the School for 10 minutes on the meanness & unmanly act of any one attending School now merely for the sake of a tea drinking.
 Ordinary work and progress
 28th Very Good Attendance. Usual routine & progress
 29 Do Do Do
 Call of the Rev: E. St. Aubyn.

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June 1st Very Good Attendance. Hot & Lovely weather
 Usual routine & progress
 2nd School Full. Usual work
 3rd Do Do
 4th Do Do
 5th Do Do
 8th Full School. Hot, dry weather still continues. Obligated to work one of the classes in the back court.
 9th Excellent attendance. Visit of the Rev.d. J. C. Carwithen & E. St. Aubyn. Ordinary routine & progress
 10th Full School. Ordinary Work & progress
 11th Do Do
 12th Do Do
 15th Full School. Ordinary work & progress
 16th Do Do
 17 Do Do

18 Do Do
19 Attendance Excellent. Visit of the Miss Holdsworth to arrange about the tea. Usual work & progress.

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June 22nd Excellent Attendance probably owing to the tea treat tomorrow. Singing for an hour this morning and afternoon sent several children picking flowers, evergreens etc. in preparation of to morrow. School closed at 3.30 pm to decorate School rooms.
23 Excellent School. Singing from 9.30 to 10.30 when all Started for Church to witness the Marriage of Miss Georgina Holdsworth. Most of the School girls strewed flowers before the bride, and every thing went off satisfactory. Order was excellent. Tea this afternoon. 200 sat down waited on by Misses Loyes (4) Jonce, Smith, Young etc. Also the Parish choir in attendance and contributed to the assistance of the Master. After tea all adjourned to Mr. Loyes field where games of every description were entered into heartily until a late hour.
24th Very Good Attendance, but owing to the excessive exertion yesterday several children late this Morning. Usual routine.
20th Very Good Attendance. Usual work & progress
26 Do Do Do

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June 29th Most Lovely Weather. Excellent Attendance
30 Do Do
July 1st Weather glorious to which may be attributed the unusually regular attendance and full School. Usual routine & progress
2nd As Yesterday
3rd Do
6th Lovely Weather, Good School. Usual work & progress
7 Do Do Do
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and Rev: E. St. Aubyn Examined 1st and 2nd Standards reading further Simultaneous Reading these answering well.
8 Good Attendance. Ordinary Work & Progress
9 Do Do
10 Do Do
13 Excellent Attendance & the weather still continues consequently Harvest fast approaching. Examined 3rd & 4th Standards Reading. also 1st Standards Arithmetic. Gave result to Teacher.
14th Excellent Attendance. Ordinary work & progress
15th Do Do

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- 16th Attendance Excellent. Visit of the Rev.s J. C. Carwithen & E. St. Aubyn and passing call of A. B. E. Holdsworth Esq. Examined 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic, find them able to do their work for Examination in February.
- 17 Very Good Attendance. Examined Arith. in 2nd, 3rd & 4th Standards. Gave Result to Teachers.
- 20th Very Good School. Punished 2 boys for behaviour in Church yesterday. Had 2 dozen New Geography Books to assist in that Subject. Learnt Geography out of Books for ½ hour.
- 21 Very Good Attendance. Examined Dictation in 3rd & 4th Standards this morning and Infants in Reading & Hymns this Afternoon. Results given to Teachers.
- 22 Very Good Attendance. Harvest has commenced a few places. Find the want of open windows East End of School. Obliged on account of heat to put some children in the back yard.
- 23 Good Attendance. Usual work & progress
- 24 Do Do

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- July 27 Lovely Weather. Harvest commences. Most of Work to day done by Teachers & Mistress the Master being ill, from Sunstroke last Saturday.
- 28 Rather thin attendance. Regular routine this Morning. Packing Books in Cupboards Rolling Maps, cleaning slates, emptying & cleaning ink-wells & placing the School in proper order for breaking up. Broke up so early in the week partly on account of the Sudden Harvest and consequent small attendance and partly on account of the illness of the Master.
School to reopen the 17th of August

Holiday

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- August 17th School reopens but with few children. Harvest not quite over on account of late rains.
Usual work & progress.
- 18th Fair Attendance. William Shepherd the Monitor absent with a bad leg etc. Visit of The Rev. J. C. Carwithen
- 19th Thin School. W. Shepherd still sick. School work as usual.
- 20th Very Fair School. Ordinary routine
- 21st Do Do

- 24th Very Fair Attendance. W. Shepherd absent. Apple picking begins another School plague.
- 25 Dartmouth Regatta. Few of Sands children absent. Examined 1st 2nd 3rd & 4th Stand.s Arithmetic. Find 4th Stand.d by Some means a little backward, probably on account of copying. Warned teacher to be more watchful. Left School to Mistress and Teachers at ¼ to 4 pm
- 26th Good Attendance. Usual routine & progress
- 27 Do Do Do
- 28 As Yesterday.

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- 30th Very Good School. W. Shepherd returns after the illness and resumes his duties as a Monitor. Call of J. Brunskill Esq. Usual progress with ordinary routine.
- Sept. 1st Very Good Attendance. Sent after the Crebers. Punished F. Luscombe at the request of the Father for playing the Truant.
- 2nd Attendance Very Good. Examined 2nd Stand.s Numeration & 1st Stand.s Letters both Capital & Small.
- 3rd Excellent Attendance. Several of Tor-cross children went home this Afternoon to a dissenting Harvest Thanksgiving. Routine as usual.
- 4th Beautiful Weather. Almost as not now as in July consequently regular attendance. School Full. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 7th Excellent Attendance. Took sole charge of the 4th 5th & 6th Standards as the working on paper requires particular attention.

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- 8th Excellent attendance. Beautiful weather. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 9th Very Good School. Totnes Races. Few in higher Stand/s gone to the sports. Apple picking a nuisance. Working of School as usual.
- 10th Very Good School. Call of Rev: E. St. Aubyn, and Mrs. Mitchelmore: the Latter to complain of "big children" as she termed them fighting "her Bobby". Requested to have them sent out at 4.40 pm or 10 minutes before the others. Took 1st Stand.s Reading. Examined 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th Stands.s Arithmetic. The work as usual.
- 11th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress

14th Good Attendance. Usual work & progress
15th Fair Attendance this morning. Regatta at Torcross to which nearly all the Parents of the children attend taking the latter with them. Half holiday this Afternoon not by wish of Master but by compulsion only of children being present when School opened at 2pm

16th V. Fair Attendance & ordinary routine.

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17th Good attendance but the Regatta reduced the Numbers for the whole week. Exam.d School generally working 4th Standard particularly hard at their Arithmetic as they are still in the background in that Subject. Visit of Mr. J. Shepherd.

18th Attendance, Routine & progress as yesterday

21st Excellent Attendance School being full. Usual work & progress.

22nd Excellent attendance with beautiful weather Altered routine so that as to make sure of the Examination. Took 4th 5th & 6th Standards together in Scripture, Geography & Arithmetic.

23rd Attendance as on previous days of this week. Find the new routine works well Each boy being more particularly engaged in his requisite subjects for Rev. E. P. Arnold.

24th Very Good Attendance few children home at Potatoe digging and apple pounding.

25th Miserably wet day. Incessant pouring rain. Visit of V. G. Shepherd formerly a Pupil Teacher here but who left Xmas 1865.

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28th Excellent Attendance. Usual routine & progress

29th Do Do

30th Wet Morning. Many absent on that account. Tea at Chillington for the Chapel children. Apple Picking & Potato digging still against us.

October 1st Very wet morning but good School. Many of the children had not a dry thread on them consequently fires had to be lighted and the clothes dried so that very little work was done by a dozen or so for the first 1hr. 30 min. Commended the whole School for their Attendance and lectured them for a few minutes on the absurdity of staying away a whole day merely because it was wet in the Morning. Promised on the School part to find plenty of fire & shelter. Afternoon fine and

Usual work & progress.
2nd Very Good attendance with fine weather.
Finished learning Counties of England & Wales
Instead of usual lesson. Examined 3rd Sts.
Arithmetic 4th Stand.d improving.

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Oct. 5th Excellent Attendance. Few of 5th & 6th
Standard boys away Apple picking and
Pounding. Examined 2nd S.s Arithmetic
and Reading. Progress as usual with
the regular routine.
6th Excellent Attendance with Miserably wet
morning. Fires had again to be lit to dry
the wet ones. Usual routine & progress but
allowed children to leave School exactly at 4
as the evening is dark, wet & cold.
7th School Full, more than 170 children present.
Examined 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic. Working
of School as usual with ordinary progress.
1st Class finished Boundaries openings and capes of
England. Punished L. Hutchings for forgetfulness
Viz leaving her Geography book at home.
8th Wet day but excellent Attendance. All classes
well filled. Took Bartons Class writing.
Fourth Standard doing well in Sums, making
up for their deception.
9th Very Good School. Catechism first Lesson.
Ordinary routine & progress

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12th Excellent Attendance. School Full with
Beautiful weather. Shepherd the Monitor again
home ill. Work of School seems to be too
much for him. Punished 2 Mabine for chasing
Mrs. Crebers fowl & also for using it cruelly when
caught. This was not the first similar offence
& consequently punished severely. Examined 4th
Stand. Reading Mistress taking 6th Stand.
Examined 3rd Stand.s Reading & changed the usual
Arithmetic Lesson to Dictation. Remainder of
Routine as per Time Table
13th Very Good Attendance. Shepherd returns to
his work again but yet not well. Fine weather
& consequently apple picking & potato digging
are the chief plagues. Usual routine & progress
14th Attendance, routine & progress as yesterday
15th Excellent attendance. Apple & Potatoe Pickers
still away. Learnt rivers of England &
drew them on Blackboard with Maps. Examined
Shepherd's Reading Class.
16th Very Good Attendance. Learnt Catechism first
lesson this morning and wrote the same from memory
the next. Progress as usual.

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- Oct. 19th Good School. Keen cold wind, which after the unusual late warm weather is felt more severely. Visit of Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Swettenham Usual routine & progress
- 20th Very Good Attendance with beautiful weather. As morning air was cold & damp lighted fires in School Master supplying coal as School Stock not yet taken in. After the Room was warmed let the fire die out. Admitted 2 old scholars; Quick & Pedrick. Routine & progress as usual.
- 21st Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 22 Do Do
- 23 Do Do
- 26th Beautiful Day & Excellent Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Examined 2nd Stand.s Reading & Arithmetic. Progress as usual.
- 27th Very Good Attendance. 30 New 1st Stan.d Books and 10 2nd Stand.d had for School as the old ones are torn & not worth mending. Routine as usual with progress.

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- 28th Miserably Wet & Windy Morning. Rain during the night came in at the Ventilators and swamped the School. Very Fair Attendance. Usual work & progress
- 29th Fair Weather. Very Good attendance. Taught the children a New Song – The Hardy Horsemen – instead of the Regular 3rd Morning lesson
- 30th Very Good Attendance. After Prayers punished Eliza Michelmores for her untruthfulness yesterday afternoon, saying when coming late she had been detained on account of her aunt winding Corn, when in reality the girl had been loitering and unwilling to come to School. As this was not the first offence and by her Aunts request punished severely as a caution to others – Third Lesson this Afternoon the First Class boys did drawing instead of Usual lesson, taking as the Subject for drawing any familiar object especially those connected with the farm etc. Letter Writing and Singing this last ¾ of an Hour. Examined all 1st Standards Reading as the Inspector does. All the eligible for exam will pass.

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- Nov.r 2nd Very Good School & Beautiful Mild Weather. Apple pickers again making

- their appearance. No Particular agricultural plague now, as all potatoes are in. Visit Of Miss Carwithen to the sewing. Cautioned all the School as to their future conduct when any one comes in the room. Progress and routine as usual.
- 3rd Very Good Attendance with rough day. Changed Leaders with their classes 2nd Lesson the Afternoon. Finished Commerce of England with 1st Class. Examined 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic and taught 4th Stand.d Reading this afternoon.
- 4th Rough Day. Good School. Changed Catechism lesson for Friday & made children learn it today as some boys skulked it Friday Morn by staying at home. Other days progress & routine as usual.
- 5th Very Good School. Left School at 12 am in Charge of Mistress & Teachers. Returned at 2pm and found all at their work.
- 6th Very Good Attendance. Finished Geography of England. Usual work & progress.

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- 9th Very Good Attendance. Examined 3rd Standard Arithmetic, find them well up for exam: as is also their reading. Began Geography of England again.
- 10th Excellent Attendance, with beautiful cold weather & here I must remark that the weather for the whole year so far has been the means of raising the Average Attendance Considerably. Children also attend on the whole very regularly so that we now look forward to pass the Inspection well. Routine as usual
- 11th Attendance as yesterday. Visit of Rev. E. St. Aubyn for 10 minutes. Inspected In that time 3rd Stand.s Reading and the Girls sewing. Routine as usual.
- 12th Excellent attendance. Cautioned the children about getting on the roof in the girls back yard. Intimated to the children that next week we commence in the afternoon and also leave earlier as the Parents complain it gets dark before those as a considerable distance arrive at their home. Work as per routine
- 13th Very Good attendance. Usual routine & progress

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- Nov. 16th Excellent Attendance, with cold east wind. Examined 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic. Shipped Teachers to different classes in School. Progress and Routine as per Time Table.
- 17th Excellent Attendance. Examined all the

- Schools Arithmetic with the exception of the 3rd Standard Every child to be presented ought to pass.
- 18th Attendance excellent. Visit of Mr. Helmer during this dinner hour to complain of the children throwing down two large stones and otherwise damaging his property by continual trespass. He threatened to summon. Cautioned children on reopening of school work and repeated the Farmers threat. As I had not forbidden the trespass before did not punish the offenders but all future ones will suffer. Usual routine & progress
- 19th Full School. Usual work & progress.
- 20th Do Will.m Shepherd again absent on account of a horse hurting his knee. Routine of Afternoon somewhat altered in consequence.

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- 23rd Beautiful Weather for November. Dry & Warm. No fires in School today. Visit of Mr. Brooking to prevent the top of chimney – which is nearly blown off by yesterdays wind – from breaking the thatch. Sent after the Mason to repair the damage. Routine & progress as per Time Table.
- 24 Excellent Attendance. Singing first lesson this morning instead of usual lesson. Finished learning Rivers of England for the 2nd Time. Punished 2 children for running over School during the dinner hour. Remainder of routine as per Time Table.
- 25th Attendance Excellent. George Dimont taken ill, supposed to be Scarlet Fever. Fevers of all kinds are prevalent in or around neighbourhood. Several deaths occurred. Progress as usual.
- 26th Very Good Attendance. Usual routine & progress
- 27 School not so full to day, partly on account of a rough morning & partly through the South Devon Election. Left School at 3 to the care of Mistress & Teachers. Routine the last two lessons a little altered. No misdemeanours in absence of Master reported.

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- Novb.r 30th Miserable Attendance. Incessant rain and hard wind all the morning & nearly the whole of the day. The children from the outskirts nearly all absent. Mistress not required in School. 1st & 2nd Standards forming one class. Attendance this Afternoon a little better and Usual routine & progress.
- Decb.r 1st Poor School. Rain all the Morning. After-

- noon much better weather and also Attendance. Routine & progress as usual
- 2nd Very Good Attendance, and fine Weather. The School dripping wet and Master and Children with dreadful colds. Cautioned Children as to their staying home wet days – many stay from School because of wet when they really would be better off here. Visit of Rev: E. St. Aubyn to say “Good bye” as he leaves the neighbourhood to morrow after being with us 3 years. Usual work etc.
- 3rd Fine Day. Good School. Usual routine & progress Finished Manufacturers of England.
- 4th Miserable Weather but Good School. Barton the Teacher absent on account of illness. Routine altered to supply and meet with the deficiency.

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- 7th Very Good School. Barton returned to the work. Several children on the Sick List. School dripping wet from late Storm. Cautioned whole School about coming to School so late. Shall punish old offenders in future. Usual Routine & progress. Began “Judges” for 2nd.time.
- 8th Very Good attendance. Punished 2 girls Cumming & Chapman for coming late by making them stay after school to do the work that should have been done in School Hours. Ordinary routine & progress.
- 9th Good Attendance. Rough Weather. Exam.d 6th 5th & 4th Stand.s Arithmetic on paper. Every one ought to pass the Inspector.
- 10th Very Fair Attendance. Very Stormy Weather Consequently several absent. Usual work.
- 11th Very Poor Attendance. The Ship “Gossamer” bound from London to Adelaide came ashore last night in the Storm. 14 lives lost. The Cargo a general one strewed along shore for miles. Consequently every person for miles round is busy landing the goods in the own houses. Routine altered.

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- Decb.r 14th Very Poor Attendance. Children either away at the wreck of the “Gossamer” for curiosity or helping their parents collecting the many valuable articles washing about the shore.
- 15th Miserable wet day as well as Attendance. Not a “Sands” child present nor any other within three miles of the Wreck.
- 16th Very Poor Attendance. This will continue now all the week and perhaps for months for those children who live on the coast. This will injure us to a considerable degree in the Examination. Routine as

on Monday & Tuesday. Working of the School as
circumstances may require & mind suggest.
17th Attendance Miserable – Routine as 14th 15th & 16th
18 Do Visit of the Rev.
J. C. Carwithen. Looked over the results of
the late sudden & frequent storms. Ordered
damage to be repaired etc. etc. etc.
Mental Arithmetic last lesson this After-
noon. Cautioned children as to their future
Attendance now the Visit of the Inspector is
so anxiously looked forward to.

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21st Miserably wet day with very meagre attendance.
Wreck goods still to be picked up and Christmas
Week – both have a tendency to decrease the Av: for
Week + year. If this weather continues long the
whole School would pass a far better Examination
now than 2 months time. Routine as time table.
22nd Wet. Attendance as on yesterday. Visit of
the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Punished 2 boys
Dowden & Perrot for playing the truant the former
more severely as he was the elder of the two. I
Prevailed on Perrot to “snitch”. Routine as usual.
23rd Attendance small. Passing call of the
Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Examined whole
School in each of the subject required by
H. M. Inspector. Rained so hard now the
children leave that every child must be
Wet through & almost sick of school.
24th Christmas is so near, that this with the former
excuses makes the School badly attended.
Broke up until Monday Morning at
3.30 pm at the request of 1st Class
25 Xmas Day & no School.

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Decbr. 28th Wet Day but very Fair School. Several
of the “Sands” children returned again.
Usual routine & progress
29th Very Fair School. Usual routine &
progress
30th Very Fair School. Visit of the Rev: J. C.
Carwithen. Punished Boon & Mabin for
loitering.
31st Full School. Usual Work & progress
Jany 1st Do Do

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January 4th 1869 Fine day & Good School. Usual
routine & progress. Owing to wet on Sunday
night the School is covered with water.
Lit two Large fires to dry up School & sent for
Rev: J. C. Carwithen.

- 5th Very Fair School. Miserable Wet Day. Usual routine & progress.
- 6th Very Good School. Visit of Rhymes the Mason to repair damages & stop leakages. Examined 3rd Standards dictation.
- 7th Very Good School. Examined 6th 5th & 4th Standards Arithmetic on Paper. Visit of Mr. Coombes a dissenting Minister and preacher at Torcross & a Mr. White 3rd Master of St. Georges School who was a boy at the School whilst I was serving my apprenticeship.
- 8th Good Attendance. Examined 3rd 2nd & 1st Standards Arith.c in the same manner as done by the Inspector & gave results to Teachers. 3rd & 4th Stand: Letter Writing but 6th an extra Geography Lesson.

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- 11th Very Good School. Informed the children that Miss A. M. Holdsworth intended to give them a treat on her Wedding Day which is fixed for the 21st. Cautioned them in respect to their Attendance before that event.
- 12th Fair School. Sir Lydston Newman annual Ley Day Shooting. As most of the childrens Parents at Torcross pull the Sportsmans Boats great many from that village are absent, as also from all the villages, it being a great day and visited by hundreds for miles round. Usual routine & progress.
- 13th Fair School. Ley Shooting continues. Usual routine & progress.
- 14th Good School. Examined 6.5. & 4th Standards Dictation. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.
- 15th Good School. Examined 3rd 2nd & 1st Stand: Dictation & gave result to Teachers. Singing this afternoon from 3.35 to 4-5.

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- 18th Excellent Attendance. Tea has a good effect on the Attendance much more so than any efforts of the Master by producing Good results. Sent after a few Sands children who had been absent on account of Wreck. Examined 1st 2nd 3rd Standards Reading.
- 19th Excellent Attendance. Routine & progress as usual
- 20th Do Visit of the Rev: J. C Carwithen and a son of Earl Fortescue who took the 1st Class Reading & Dictation & also heard the whole School Sing. This intruded on the Regular Arith-

metic Lesson & so none was given but the Singing Continued. Before leaving the Vicar gave instructions as regards cleanliness & routine of work to morrow & at the same time cautioned them as to their behaviour, as well as their future attendance, especially during the next Month.

21st Excellent Attendance.. Went to Church this morning at 10.30 with 200 children At 12.30 football, swings & various other Amusements took place until tea was

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prepared. About 210 partook of Cake – “Plum & Tough” waited on by the Singers and ringers. The treat was kindly given by Miss A. M. Holdsworth who is now Mrs. St. Aubyn. Every child seemed to enjoy himself heartily and left after giving cheers for nearly Every body. As the children were under the superintendance of the Master from 9 am to 6 pm the Registers were taken.

22 Began School this Morning rather late the fruit of Yesterdays enjoyments. Desks, forms, books, slates, inkwells – all had to be replaced. The Usual routine was observed but to children I think were too tired & weary to make a great deal of progress, some of them seemed more fit to lay their heads on the desk & sleep.

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25th Fine Weather & Excellent attendance. Sent after absentees. Examined 1st Standards Arithmetic find they have been a little neglected by the monitor. Cautioned him. Progress as usual.

26th Very Good School. Several of yesterdays absentees present to day. Usual work with the Exception of Catechism Lesson this morning.

27th Very Good School. Took 1st Stand: in Arithmetic. 3 or 4 Backward, Barton gave the regular Scripture Lesson this morning whilst I took Writing.

28th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress.

29th Very Good School but very wet in the Morning & consequently many late. Letter came from H. M. Inspector of Schools to inform the Committee that he intends to visit us Feb.y 11th. Told the whole School & cautioned them at the same about their attendance. Allowed several children who live at a great distance to leave earlier as the weather has come on so

suddenly rough. Usual routine & progress.

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- Feb.y 1st Commencement of School year for 1869.
Very Good Attendance, very wet this Evening.
Every child must be wet through before
reaching home. Many children home through
Bad colds, etc. Continual wet & unhealthy
Weather is against Examination.
- 2nd Beautiful Day & Excellent School. Sent
after 3 Wright, Soper, Hogin who are eligible
for Exam. The usual routine was followed
but Master changed the Teachers from their
usual classes.
- 3rd Miserably Wet Day & attendance thinned
Consequently. Exam: 4th 5th & 6th Stand.d
in their Catechism, also gave a
Lesson on the C Catechism instead of usual
Geography. Visit of the glazier
- 4th Wet Day but excellent Attendance.
Catechism & extra Geography Lesson. Examined
whole School generally.
- 5th Beautiful Day & Attendance excellent.
Geography Lesson instead of usual Letter
Writing. Cautioned Children before leaving
as to their attendance next week.

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- 8th Wet Weather but Very Good Attendance. Visit of
the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Usual routine & progress.
- 9th Fine Day & Excellent Attendance. The 2 Heads
came at ¼ to 12 this Morning. Attendance con-
sequently not marked. Routine as per
Time Table & progress as usual.
- 10th Very Rough & Stormy but Excellent Attendance.
Many children obliged to stay home having
influenza and two with Fevers through
getting wet by coming to School.
Dismissed children at 3.30 pm to prepare
For Her Majesty's Inspector – Rev. E. P. Arnold.
- 11th John Lavers. Certificated
Teacher of the 4th Class 1st Grade
James H. Barton – Pupil Teacher
Of the 3rd Year
William H. Higden. Pupil Teacher
Of the 2nd year.
E. P. Arnold

Examination Day. 184 Children present.
Miserably wet day. No visitors.
All Passed well. Inspector satisfied

12 Holiday.

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- 15th Very Good School. Thanked the children

- for coming to School so pluckily on the Day of Inspection, as it rained torrents the whole of the Forenoon. Usual routine & progress.
- 16th Attendance Good. Usual work & progress
- 17th Do Do
- 18th Do Do
- 19 Do Do
- 22 Full School. Fine Weather. Potatoe Plague commences. Bigger children kept home planting Potatoes, driving horses etc. etc. This will continue a month. Usual work.
- 23 Full School. Perrot appears to School who was absent on Exam: Day. Sent to know the reason of his non-appearance. Sickness & Wet Weather Excuse. Cautioned whole school as to the future attendance. Usual routine & progress.
- 24th School not so well attended. Wet Day but usual work. Gave the children a holiday on the=
- 25 P. T. Exam: at Salcombe.

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- 26th Very Fair Attendance. Many absent on account of Potatoe Planting & the Fine Weather. Visit of Miss May & Pearse who examined needle work & heard 2 Classes 1st & 2nd Read and the singing. Passing call of Rev: J. C. Carwithen to Enquire after Candidates for Confirmation.

March 1st

- Very Good Attendance. Higden the P.T. absent & others of the School to be confirmed at Kingsbridge. Routine altered on this account to supply loss.
- 2nd Attendance Good. Placed the whole School as far as necessary one Standard Higher & First Geog: Lesson to New Class.
- 3rd Very Good School. Heard the 1st Standard Read. Mistress Absent. Routine not followed. More transcription than heretofore to make up deficiency.
- 4th Attendance Good. The Mistress duties cease for this school from this date.
- 5th Good School. Usual routine.

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- 8th Very Good Attendance. No mistress in the morning but Mrs. Edgland taught sewing in the afternoon. A Permanent Mistress will not be appointed until Lady Day. Routine & progress as usual.

- 9th Wet day, with attendance thinned.
Allowed Children to remain in School
the dinner hour watched over by
the 2 P.T. Work as usual.
- 10th Wet Day. Small School. Ordinary work
- 11th Do Do
- 12 Very Fair Attendance. Fine Day.
Potatoe Plague still. Letter
Writing & singing this afternoon
- 15th
Very Good Attendance. Monitor Shep-
herd ill with a swollen face.
Rogers takes his place as Monitor
until the formers return. Routine
as usual.
- 16th Excellent. Attendance. Potatoe Planters
re-appearing. Ordinary routine.
- 17th Excellent attendance. Usual work.
- 18 Do Do
Mistress absent this Afternoon.

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- 19th Very Good Attendance with a wet morning.
Pedrick of Torcross had the top of his finger
cut off by the accidental slamming of a
door. Sent Pat Higden with him to the
Doctor. Superintended Higdens Class
until his return. 1st Class writing in
the Meanwhile. Learnt the whole School
2 verses of the Song "Just before the
battle Mother". Gave it to 1st Class
as a Dictation Exercise on Paper.
Arrival of the Inspectors Report.
Read the Report to the whole school.
- 22nd Very Fair Attendance. Taught the whole School
the music of the song "Just before the battle"
instead of usual Scripture Lesson. Many of
the older children absent through Planting
late Potatoe crop and barley. Took 1st
Stand: Spelling. Other classes as per T. Table
- 23rd Very Fair Attendance. Plenty of Po-
tatoe Planters still absent. Barton gave 1st Class
a Scripture Lesson. Took 3rd & 4th Stand.d
Writing. Last lesson Singing. Visit of
J. Quickrell & Hurrell Esqs.

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Summary of the Inspectors Report of Stokenham National School ending January 31st 1864.

**This School is very much and
deservedly appreciated by the Parents in**

the neighbourhood. Mr. Lavers has an excellent influence over his scholars who take a cheerful intelligent interest in their work, and are receiving a very sound elementary education.

Mr. Laver's Sister and the Pupil Teacher do their part very actively.

This school appears to be very badly supported by the Landowners in the Parish.

**J. C. Carwithen
Hon. Secretary**

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- 24th Very Fair Attendance. Geography first Lesson this morning. Remainder of lesson as per time table.
- 25th Attendance Fair. Usual routine in Morning. Singing Last lesson this Afternoon. Broke up for a week. Cleaning inkwells, cupboards – etc. previous to breaking up.
- 26th Good Friday & Holiday
- 29-5 Easter Holidays
- 5th School reopens, with Very Fair Attendance. Mrs. Edgland still attends the Sewing. The new mistress not yet elected. Usual routine & progress.
- 6th Miserably wet. Meagre Attendance but several New faces. Routine as per Time Table
- 7th A Better day than yesterday. V. Fair attendance – usual progress.
- 8th Very Fair Attendance. Visit of Rev: J. C Carwithen to gather information previous to the proposed visit of Honorable E. B. Postman, Assistant Commissioner.
- 9th Attendance V. Fair. Usual routine & progress. Spoke to Children on Sunday Sch.

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- April 12th. Very Good Attendance. Usual routine & progress.
- 13th Attendance Very Good. Visit of the Assistant Commissioner Honorable E. B. Portman and the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. The former examined minutely the Causes of the non attendance of children at different periods of the

Year (2) The Age at which children are usually employed by Farmers or others
 (3) The Employment of women girls & boys in Farm Work.
 (4) Their hours of work & distance from their homes to their places of work
 950 Their health & the state of their education
 (6) Their Cottage or home accommodation.

14 Mrs. Kellond takes the office of Mistress on the Resignation of Miss Lavers.
 14 V. Fair attendance. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Usual routine & progress
 15 Attendance Fair Do
 16th Do Do

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19th Very Good Attendance. Punished 2 boys severely for bad conduct in Church. Visit of the Mr. G. Soltan & Mrs. Soltan who heard the children sing this afternoon & inspected them as to cleanliness – other work as per time table.
 20th Full School. Took 2nd Standard Reading & 4th Dictation. Placed a few of the best to work in a higher standard as some of the lower standards are overcrowded.
 21st Very Full School & intensely hot. Allowed the Reading Classes to read in the back yard. Altered the Teachers routine of lessons. Intend in future to hear lessons once a week but examine exercises every morning thus giving greater time to private study.
 22nd School fully Attended. Visit of Mr. Hurrells & Brunskill. Singing 2nd lesson this morning. Other work as usual.
 23rd Excellent Attendance. Catechism & writing from memory instead of usual lessons.

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26th Beautiful Weather. & excellent Attendance Usual progress & routine
 27th Excellent School. Usual work
 28th Do Do
 29th Do Do
 30th Do Mental Arithmetic and Singing in the place of Letter writing and Poetry.
 May 3rd Fine Weather & full School. Took 4th Standards Dictation & 2nd & 3rd Reading & gave results to Teachers.
 4th Full School. Examined 1st Stand.d Arithmetic & Reading & find them

progressing all but very little ones recently come up from Infants class who cannot follow the fast readers Simultaneous reading consequently does them but little good. Remedied the evil by placing the fast readers in a Spelling class during that lesson (Reading) & placing a poor reader with a good one & making the latter point to the reading with his fingers. This makes it less tedious to the young beginner.

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- 5th Very Good Attendance. Hay harvest commences. Another plague to attendance. Told the whole School however that any children wishing to carry his fathers drinkings & luncheon can do so by leaving a little earlier & avoid staying the whole morning or afternoon for such purpose. Routine as usual.
- 6th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye & Miss Pearse who requested to hear the children sing but owing to a cold the master could not accede to the request.
- 7th Attendance as usual as well as progress & Routine
- 10th Attendance Very Good. Examined 2nd Standards Arithmetic. Introduced Numeration twice a week. Also practised 1st Class in Numeration & Notation, & also a few easy sums useful particularly as a help to the parents e.g. A Pig so many score lbs at etc. per lb. Scores of Whiting at ... per score etc. etc.

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- 11th Excellent Attendance with beautiful weather. Sent after a few absentees by Higden. Usual routine & progress.
- 12th Full School Do Do
- 13th " " Visit of Miss Maye who heard the 1st Class Read, Spell and a "little" Mental Arithmetic. Also examined Girls Sewing.
- 14th Very Full School. Mrs. Kellond leaves this Afternoon by permission of the Committee to go to Totnes. The Girls Consequently work the usual routine of the boys. Visit of Miss Carwithen who took the 1st Class Reading & Spelling with a miscellaneous Examination, which I hope may be repeated, as the

children are fond of such things
It also improves their general know
ledge

17th Very Good Attendance. Visit of the
Rev: J. C. Carwithen who spoke to
two boys about the broken glass.
Usual routine & progress.

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18th Full School & beautiful weather
19th Attendance as yesterday with progress & routine
20th Do Do
21st Do Do

24 Very Good School. Examined the Scripture
of 2nd Division. Other work as usual

25th School Full. Examined 4-5-6 Standards
on Paper in Arithmetic & Dictation

26th V. Good School. Visit of Miss Maye &
friend. Miss Maye took 2nd Stand.s
Reading

27th School fully Attended. Potatoe plague
and harvest not improving much
Routine as usual.

28th School full. Cautioned two boys
about leaving home for dinner yesterday.
Mental Arithmetic last lesson.

31st Very Good School. Usual routine & progress

June 1st Do Do
2 Do Do
3rd Do Do

4th A Visit from Miss Maye

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June 7th Excellent Attendance. Took 1st Stand.
Arithmetic

8th Full School. Usual work & progress

9th Do Do

10th Do Singing 2nd Lesson this
morning, and learning those who were
admitted recently the song "Just before
the battle Mother" & All Among the
barley

11th Very Good School. Mental Arithmetic
& Visit of Miss Carwithen who heard
the IInd. Standards Reading & Spelling

14 School full. Progress as usual

15th Do Do

16th Do Singing 3rd Lesson this
morning & learning the words of the
different songs as last week. Visit
of Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Higden absent

this morning from lessons on account of sickness.
 17 Very Good Attendance. Usual work
 18 Do Do

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21st Very Good Attendance. Usual work and progress.
 22nd Attendance Very Good. Few boys absent from Hallsands on account of the annual dissenters tea treat. Work as usual.
 23rd Full School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who ordered some extra forms to be made. Routine as usual.
 24th School full. Punished 2 boys for playing the truant as it's the 2nd offence. Took 1st 2nd 3rd & 4th Standards Readg Barton gave 1st Class a Scripture Lesson
 25 Usual Attendance Ordinary work & progress. Call of Miss Maye who inspected the sewing for a short time.
 28th Excellent Attendance. Usual routine.
 29th Do Do
 30th Do Do
 July 1st Do Examined 3rd 4th
 2nd 5 & 6 Standards Arithmetic. Attendance very Good. Ordinary work & progress

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July 5th Very Good Attendance. Usual work & progress
 6th Attendance very good. Altered the 2nd Divisions Scripture to Mondays, and Thursdays.
 7th Full school with usual work & Progress
 8th School full. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and Friend
 9th Very Full School. Visit of Miss Maye & Mrs. Maye both of which the last lesson this afternoon gave a bible lesson to the 1st Class & also inspected the sewing.
 12th Very good Attendance. Usual work & progress
 13th Very Good Attendance. Singing 2nd lesson this morning.
 14th Attendance very good. Ordinary work
 15th Do Do
 16th Do Visit of Miss Carwithen who inspected sewing & heard 1st Class read.

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- 19th Full School. Cautioned whole school about the glass breaking. Usual routine
- 20th Very Full School. Ordinary work & progress.
- 21st Do Do
- 22nd Do Do
- 23 Do Do
- 26 Attendance very good and beautiful weather. Visit of the Vicar who ordered that new books should be procured. Usual work.
- 27th Very Good Attendance. Examined the 2nd Standards Numeration.
- 28th Very good Attendance. Ordinary routine.
- 29th Do Do
- 30th Very good attendance. Visit of Miss Maye who proposed to make alterations in the sewing, forbidding all "tattling" and fancy work, and introducing more cutting. This probably will supply the defect complained of by H. M. Inspec.r Rev. E.P. Arnold. Examined I Standards Reading, & find the slow readers improving

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- August 2nd Very good Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen to announce the arrival of a fresh supply of books. Usual routine & progress.
- 3rd Attendance very good. Marked all the School books New & old instead of usual lessons this morning at 7. School work as usual. Cautioned whole school as to the manner of usage of books.
- 4th Attendance very good. Usual work
- 5th Do Do
- 6th Do Do
- 9th Attendance very fair. A Little wet this morning, and a few home harvesting.
- 10th Very fair Attendance. All the farmers in the neighbourhood commence cutting. Consequently break up on Friday next. Punished several girls for running & jumping in the Class Room.

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- 11th Very Fair Attendance. Barton exchanged classes with Higden & Shepherd. Usual work.
- 12th Attendance Very Fair. Corn cutting very brisk & consequently more children required home. Visit of the Vicar & Miss Maye.
- 13th Very Fair Attendance. Classes & routine altered in order to suit the cleaning up parties. Windows cleaned, walls brushed, inkwells emptied. Slates collected. Maps rolled up, and holidays given for 3 weeks.

Three Week Holiday

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- Sept.r 6th Very Good School for opening day. Corn all in and housed. Visit of The Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Miss Maye to announce the Public tea & school treat. Usual routine & progress.
- 7th Excellent Attendance, result of yesterdays caution as to their regularity between this & treat and also to their future attendance until the Examination. Miss Maye again visits us & takes a Dictation Class.
- 8th Excellent Attendance. Singing the first 2 lessons this morning for to morrow. Practising Hymns & Chants for Church & Songs for the treat. In the afternoon several of 1st Class Boys fetched kettles fountains etc. Removed slates & inkwells packed up work & placed maps & Scripture texts. Visit of the Rev: J. C Carwithen & Miss Maye to arrange the order for to morrow. Sang & dismissed in presence of visitors.
- 9th Tea treat. Public tea & holiday in the Morning. No Registers taken as advised by H. M. Inspector. Rev: E.P

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- Arnold. 230 children present. Walked to Church where they were addressed by the Rev: N. Laidly M.A. from the Kings XIV.1313 After service tea, songs, cheers, racing & every other kind of juvenile amusements. 300 at public tea.
- 10th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress after refixing all misplaced articles.
- 13th Very Rough Wind & Rain but Good Attendance. A Few Hallsands children

absent. Altered the Routine by request of the Vicar. Sewing lessons occurring the last two lessons of the Afternoon instead of first two.

- 14th Excellent Attendance. Examined W. Shepherds Class & find the reading a little backward. Introduce Read.g & Spell.g once a day oftener.
- 15th Excellent Attendance. Examined Bartons Read.g Class & find them nearly all able to pass. 1st Class had Dictation on Copy Books for the 1st time. Scripture Lesson this afternoon instead of the usual Morn.g one.

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- 16th Excellent Attendance. Examined I Stand.s Capital & Small Letters. Arithmetic on Copy Books for the 1st time for the 4th 5th & 6th Standards. Each child did three sums before leaving School. Examined the Infants in their letters & small numbers. Singing 3rd Lesson this morning.
- 17th Visited the School. Much pleased with the building arrangements but had no time to examine the children

Fortescue

Poor Attendance it being a miserably Wet day. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Car-Withen with Ld. Fortescue Routine as usual.

- 20th Attendance Good. Visit of Miss Maye to inspect sewing & visit also of the Vicar. Routine as usual.
- 21st Very wet day but Attendance Good. Allowed a few children to leave early on account of the wet.
- 22 Wet day. Good Attendance. Ordinary work.
- 23 Do Do Do
- 24 Do Do Do

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- 27th Excellent Attendance. Master ill. Mistress attended School this morning & took Class under the Superintendance of the Master who was unable to take his usual duties. Routine not Altered.
- 28 Attendance Excellent. Master still continues unable to work. Progress & Routine as usual.
- 29th Excellent Attendance. Master commences work again.
- 30th Beautiful Day. Full School. Punished Bowden for throwing her

food (dinner) away, after cautioning the whole School on the matter.
Oct 1st. Wet day. V. Fair School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who examined Reading & Tables of 1st & 3rd Divisions. Few of the children not well up in tables. Gave results to Higden the Teacher. Examined 3rd Standards Arithmetic. Commenced School 20 minutes earlier on account of the wet & consequently dismissed school sooner

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4th Very Good School but few Sick in Measles. Two dozen new fourth Standard books for School use. Commenced working at the new pieces which are difficult for a 4th Stand.d
5th Teachers came at 7 pm instead of AM Good School. Beautiful weather. Few away apple picking & pounding. Potato digging and thrashing. Progress as usual.
6th Good Attendance. Examined 1st & 2nd & 3rd Standards Reading. Gave results to Teachers.
7th Fair Attendance. Obligated to sent 6 children home as measles were plainly showing in their faces, and the children ill in consequence. Also 10 that left School last night are in bed to day with the same disease.
8th Great havoc amongst the children by the measles. More than 40 absent in consequence, besides a few stay.g away to avoid the infection. Left the School to Barton to be dismissed.

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11 Very Fair Attendance. Few children who were attacked by the measles returned but not well. Usual routine & progress
12 Beautiful Weather and very Fair School. Usual routine & progress
13 Very Fair Attendance. Ordinary Progress & routine
14 The Building & management appear very complete
Very Fair Attendance but Measles still prevalent. Visit of Mr. Pearse who made the above entry. Visit of Rev: J. C. Car-Withen with the former gentleman. Usual work & progress.
15th Very Fair School. Usual work & progress.
18th Few of the sick children returned but others attacked. Apple Picking & potato digging

- does not improve the attendance.
 19th Examined 1st. 2nd. & 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic
 Very Fair School. Punished several boys
 from Hallsands for loitering on the
 road.
 20th Very fair School. Visit of Miss Maye.
 Usual work & progress.

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- 21st Very Fair School. Usual work & progress
 22nd Do Do
 25th Good School. Attendance increasing
 as Measles decrease. Apple picking
 now the only plague. Examined 1st & 2nd
 & 3rd Standards in all their work.
 Teachers consequently shifted about to
 different classes. Visit of Miss Maye
 & Miss Prettejohn to inspect
 sewing.
 26th Attendance Good. A few gone to Kings-
 bridge to see the Cattle Show,
 Sent after absentees.
 27th Good Attendance. Learnt the Hymn
 or a part of Hymn "For those at Sea"
 and sung old songs over.
 28th Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
 & friend & niece who heard children
 sing & inspected sewing.
 29th Very Good School. Wrote a letter to
 the Inspector for practice. Read a few
 of the best to improve others.
 Visit of Mr. Ware.

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- Nov.r 1st Excellent Attendance the School
 full. Visit of Miss Maye. Sent after
 Absentees. Usual work & progress.
 2nd Full School. Miss Maye superintended
 the Sewing.
 3rd Full School. Miss Maye visits us
 4th Do Do
 Examined 1st Standards Hymns, found
 Shepherd has been working hard. Inspected
 3rd Standards Dictation. Began the
 Geography of England with 1st Class.
 Punished 2 children for copying.
 5th Rainy day. Very Fair School. Apple
 picking pounding has yet an effect on
 the attendance. Visit of Miss Maye to
 inspect sewing. Punished Beesand
 children this morning for loitering about
 picking chestnuts and not arriving at
 the School until a few minutes before
 the Registers were taken. Examined
 4th 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic in a

similar way as that done in Examination.
find most of them able to pass.
Examined 2nd Standards Numeration.

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- 8th Very Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
9th Do Examined Bartons Class
in Arithmetic & 1st Stand.d & Infants Hymns.
Also Higdens Class generally.
- 10th Very Good School. Visit of Miss Maye
& Miss Prettejohn to inspect sewing.
Usual routine & progress.
- 16th Very Good School. Beautiful weather.
Fetched Chas: Barton from a field
adjoining the School where he had
played the truant to see a large sale.
Did not punish severely as this is the
first offence. Sent to know if S. Brooking
was allowed to visit sale.
- 12th Very Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
- 15th Wet Day. Fair Attendance. Mistress
absent this Afternoon. Miss Maye looked
after sewing. Punished Putt & Hutchings
for playing the truant on Friday afternoon
last. Forgave S. Brooking as his
Aunt gave him permission to visit sale.
Cautioned him as to future attendance.
Visit of Miss Maye.

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- 16th Excellent Attendance. School full. Beautiful
weather. Examined III Stand.s Writing.
Barton inspected Scripture in 1st Class.
- 17th Full School. Usual progress
- 18th Do
- 19 Do
- 22 Excellent Attendance. Progress as usual.
- 23 Do Visit of Miss Maye &
Mrs. Holdsworth to inspect sewing. Each of these
Ladies agrees to pay for 2 children belonging to Mrs.
Michelmores. Took III Stand.s Dictation whilst
Barton Examined Geography. Heard 1st Stand.s
Read.g
- 24th Full School. Pane of Glass broken by shutting win-
dow which was only put in the day before. This
frequently occurs & is the fault of the pattern
of the windows & no carelessness on the part
of teachers or others.
- 25th School Full. Punished two boys for Copying
their Arithmetic. Exam.s 1st Class in Sums
as for Exam & find them doing well.
- 26th Full School. Miss Maye visits us. Progress
as usual with regular work.

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- 29th Excellent Attendance. Full School. Usual routine & progress. Admitted 3 winter Scholars Chadder, Dimont & Bevry
- 30th Full School. Routine & progress as usual.
- Decbr. 1st School Full. Visit of Miss Maye to Inspect Sewing. Examined 2nd & 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic and Written Geography Lesson In 1st Class
- 2nd Very Cold. Two fires lit. Excellent School Usual work.
- 3rd Wet day. Very Fair Attendance. Miss Maye & her niece attends school. Let a few of Hallsand children & other distant ones leave earlier as the night is dark and stormy. Letter Writing & Catechism in lieu of Geography & Scripture.
- 6th Wet Windy day. Both fires obliged to be lit. School thinly attended. Visit of Miss Maye.
- 7th Miserably cold & rough. Rather small School. Absentees are those from the greatest distances. Work as usual.

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- 8th Very Fair School. The first two rough days will injure the attendance for the latter part of the week. Visit of Miss Maye. & also the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.
- 9th Very Fair School. Usual progress & work.
- 10th Do Visit of Miss Maye & Niece. Letter writing & Catechism in lieu of usual work. Read a few of the best letters as a pattern & a means of improvement to the rest.
- 13th Very Fair School. Usual progress & work.
- 14th Poor Attendance. Ley Shooting. Every boy attends to see the sport. Master left the School to the care of Teachers & Mistress for this Afternoon. Children left ¼ hour Earlier by permission.
- 15th Small School. Ley Shooting Continues. Usual work & progress.
- 16th V. Fair Attendance but rough & stormy Weather. Visit of Miss Maye.
- 17th Very Fair School. Letter Writing & Catechism. Miss Maye & friend visits us.

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- Dec.r 20th Very Fair Attendance. Visit of the

- Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Miss Maye.
Examined 2nd.3rd & 4th Standards Read.g
- 21st Attendance Good. Examined 2nd Stand.s
Tables & 1st Class on Extra Paper.
- 22nd Very Fair School. Visit of Miss Maye.
Punished several Beesand children
for coming late & Cautioned Hall-
Sands. Examined 1st Stand.s Read.g
figures & letters & also Hymns &
find Shepherd has been working
hard.
- 23rd Very Fair School but a rough day.
Work & progress as usual.
- 24th Very Fair Attendance. Gave half holi-
day for Xmas Eve. No regular
Xmas holidays given as the Examin-
ation is to near. Holidays at Easter
i.e. after Inspection instead-

27 to 31st

Christmas Vacation

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January 3rd 1870

- No remarks for Decbr. 24th it is stated
That no holidays (Xmas) would be given.
On Sunday the 26th & 27th Snow fell heavily.
On opening School therefore on Monday only
8 children were present. The Rev: J. C. Car-
withen then advised to close School work for
one week. School reopens with only Fair
Attendance. Chief answers to enquiries are
"Broken Chilblains" & severe colds. If
Cold Weather Continues the former will
prove a great drawback at this particular
Season. Visit of Miss Maye & niece to
inspect sewing. Usual work & progress.
- 4th Better Attendance than yesterday but many
absent. Visit of Miss Maye & niece. Ordinary
work & progress.
- 5th Very Fair School. Sent after absentees. Exam.d
children generally.
- 6th Attendance Very Fair. Miserable wet day
together with Bad feet & colds has great
influence on the attendance. Visit of
Rev: E. St. Aubyn & Miss Carwithen. The former
Heard 3rd S. read & the latter inspected sewing & writing.

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- 7th Very Fair attendance. The sewing mistress
absent through illness. Routine of work con-
sequently altered. Progress as usual.
- 10th Very Good Attendance. Several of those
on the Sick List returned. Progress &

- 11th Routine as usual.
School full. Examined 4th & 3rd
Stand.s Writing. Barton gave Scripture
Lesson to 1st Class. Progress as
Usual.
- 12th Rough day & rather small attendance.
The roads are in such a dreadful state
that its impossible for children to
come from a long distance.
Work as usual.
- 13th Wet miserable day – but good Attendance.
Second Lesson Singing instead of regular
Work. Learnt part of the Hymn for
“Those at Sea” Left the school in charge
of Teachers to attend the funeral of
Mr. P. Loye - one of this Schools greatest
benefactors - . Several children asked
permission to leave at 11.30 a m also

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- to attend. As it was a School duty
their attendance on Register was not
omitted. Returned again at 12.15
Work this afternoon as per time Table.
- 14 Wet day but Good Attendance. Visit of
Miss Maye to inspect sewing. Usual routine
& progress.
- 17th Very Good School. Usual routine & progress
- 18th Visit of Miss Maye & niece.
- 19 Visit of Rev. E. St. Aubyn, Mrs. St. Aubyn &
Miss Taylor
- 20th Excellent Attendance. Usual work.
- 21st Do Do
- 24th Very Good Attendance. Sent after absentees.
Cautioned whole school as to their attendance
at School from this date to the Examination.
Usual work.
- 25th Visit of Miss Maye.
- 26th Attendance Very Good. Examined whole school
generally in subjects requisite for inspection.
- 27th Singing 2nd Lesson this morning in lieu of
regular work. Visit of Miss Maye.
- 28th Usual work & progress

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- 31st Very Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
& friend. Sent after absentees. Usual work & progress
- Febry 1st Very Good Attendance. Usual work
- 2nd Miserably wet day and many absent on
this account. Examined 2nd & 3rd Stand.s
Arithmetic & writing & Dictation.
Barton took charge of 1st Class during
the time.
- 3rd Beautiful Weather. Better Attendance.
Visit of Miss Maye & the Misses

- 4th Carwithen(2) to inspect sewing.
Wet day. Fair School. Usual work.
- 7th Wet day but Very Fair Attendance.
Informed whole school that the Rev: E. P. Arnold intends to hold his annual inspection on Wednesday the 16th inst. In the afternoon. Sent after all absentees, particularly eligibles, some by messages by children & others by letter. Cautioned whole school as to attendance from this day to the 16th & especially on the latter date. School work altered in one or two respects for extra work.

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- 8th Beautiful day. School nearly full.
Nearly every child responded to the messages Yesterday, and all seem eager for the Exam.
Miss Maye & friend visits to inspect sewing.
Make good all old work.
- 9th The rain this morning came down in torrents but only a very few absentees from yesterday.
Examined the different classes in the separate subjects as per N. C. Find them safe for the Inspector.
- 10th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye & Friend.
- 11th A Bitterly cold & eastwardly wind blowing.
Many children absent especially amongst infants & 1st Standard through bad feet. Several children cannot put on their boots. Sent after several to night for Monday. Visit of Miss Maye & 2 friends. Cautioned the girls about laughing & playing during sewing lesson at Miss Mayes request.
- 14th Very Cold. Bitter East wind. Very few children to school, especially among the infants – only 3. If this weather continues Exam: ought to be postponed. Usual work.

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- 15 Better day & better Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye & Miss Carwithen & the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. A few of the children not at their Usual work but cleaning up in preparation For H. M. Inspector – Rev: E. P. Arnold.
- 16th John Lavers. Certificated Teacher of the 4th Class 1st Grade.
James H. Barton) Pupil 4th Year
William H. Higden) Teachers 3rd Do
E. P. Arnold
- Examination passed off satisfactorily. Weak points Geography & Scripture with “3rd Standard” –
Persons present at the Inspection Rev. E. St. Aubyn & Padley, Mrs. St. Aubyn, Misses Carwithen (2)

- Misses Maye (2) & Mrs. Prout. The Vicar was unable to stay long.
- 17 Holiday. Pupil Teachers Examination at Kingsbridge at Dodbrook School
- 18 Very Rough day. Fair School. Usual work.

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- 21st Beautiful Day. Excellent School. Usual Routine.
- 22 Do Do
- 23 Do Raised all the children of the school a standard higher & a new routine to work from.
- 24th Very Good School. Usual work.
- 25 Do Do
- 28th Cold Rough day & few scholars. Master unwell & Routine not strictly followed.
- March 1st. Full School. Visit of Miss Mayes (2) & Niece to inspect sewing.
- 2nd Full School. Usual work & progress.
- 3rd Do Do
- 4 Fair Attendance. Usual work with the exception of Letter Writing. Mental Arithmetic instead.
- 7th Very Good School. Usual work
- 8th Do Do
- 9 Do Do
- 10 Do Do
- 11 Visit of Miss Maye & friends. Master left School in charge of Teachers by consent of Com.

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- 14th Full School. Usual routine & progress. Visit of Miss Maye. No complaints of any child's misconduct in absence of Master last Friday.
- 15 Fine day. Good School. The "Potato Planting" is now the "Plague". On the usual attendance especially in higher Standards viz; amongst those children who are able to assist their Parents. Work as usual.
- 16th Fine day. Good School. Visit of Miss Maye & niece. Barton had charge of 1st Class this afternoon on account of the Masters illness.
- 17th Beautiful day & with the Exception of the Potato Planters all here. Children all delighted with "New Rules" and change of Teachers. Visit of The Rev: J. C. Carwithen with Song Book & report. The Vicar Examined School generally & also the premises (closets etc.) ordered hardening

18th for play-ground etc.
Very Good School. Usual work. Visit
of Miss Maye & Pearse who heard singing.

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H.M. Inspector – The Rev. E. P. Arnold
Report on Stokenham Natl. School
for the Year Ending Jan 31st 1870

This school is attended by children
from a wide circuit
comprising villages which should
have good schools of their own.

The discipline is admirably kept
up and the appearance of the
children is neat and tidy – They
seem to be much interested in their
School and the state of their
instruction does credit to W. Laver's
exertions – The writing is
particularly good – The character
of the Reading is not as good as
it might be, and the children
disappointed me in Geography,
but on the whole I am very
much pleased with the state
of the school – More teaching
power is wanted – It
appears desirable that instead

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of the afternoon being divided
between Needlework and
other lessons three afternoons
should be given wholly to
Needlework and two to lessons.
Articles 54(a) and (c)
have not been fulfilled in the
case of your school

E. Tanner

Failure

J. C. Carwithen
Secretary

Stokenham Vicarage
March 12th – 1870

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- March 21st Very Good Attendance. Potato Planting Plague
a great draw back to some of the elder children
Gave 3rd Class a dictation lesson & heard the
1st, 2nd & 3rd. Standard Hymns in the Class-
room
- 22nd Excellent Attendance. Only a few potato-
planting. Visit of Miss Maye.
- 23rd Attendance as yesterday. Cautioned
children that go through Widdicombe to
their home in the evening as to their
trespass in the Plantation and injury
to the shrubs. Appointed 2 monitors
to report offenders
- 24 Excellent Attendance. Usual routine
& progress together with visit of Miss
Maye to inspect sewing.
- 25th Usual Routine, Progress & Attendance
- 28th School Full. Cautioned Children about
their personal cleanliness pointing out
& illustrating the good and evil results of
washing the whole body, & and the presence of
dirt respectively, showing the former to be
particularly necessary at this time, when

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- Scarlet and typhus fever is raging in
the neighbourhood Chapmans of this
School attacked with fever.
- 29th Full School. Visit of the Vicar & Mr.
Fortescue & Hartley
- 30th School Full. Visit of Miss Maye
- 31st Do. Do.
- April 1st Do. Do.
- 4th Very Good School. Chapmans (2) dead.
Died of Typhus fever. Other members of
the same family attacked.
- 5th Excellent attendance but cold wind &
occasional showers. Dried childrens
garments to avoid colds.
- 6th Attendance as usual. Many children
sneezing & coughing from the changeable
weather - & a few at home sick with
influenza – Visit of Miss Maye
- 7th Full School. Usual work & progress
- 8th Do Do

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- 11th Excellent Attendance. Examined 1st Standard Arithmetic, 3rds Reading & 4ths Dictation & Arithmetic. Edgland. Pedrick Backward in the latter subject
- 12th Full School. Plenty of colds in School. Several about neighbourhood attacked with fevers, but children with exception of Chapmans free
- 13th School well attended. Potato Planting nearly over & the absentees re-appearing. Visit of the Vicar & Miss Maye.
- 14th V. Fair School. Visit of Rev. St. Albyn & Mrs. St. Albyn who only stayed a few minutes
- 15th Good Friday. Whole Holiday

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- 25th Very Good Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye & Niece. Usual work. Master absent in Morning on account of illness.
- 26th Barton takes first class during Masters illness. More transcription to make up the loss of Teacher – Mrs. Kellond attends to help Master
- 27th Full School. Work as yesterday. Visit of Miss Maye & sister & niece.
- 28th As yesterday
- 29th Do

- May 2nd Excellent Attendance. Two Fanners Absent with “Mumps” As this disease on the last appearance made sad havoc to the attendance (40 staying away at one time) ordered these to be kept at home to prevent spreading infection.
- 3rd Good School. Usual work & progress Visit of Miss Maye & Mrs. Padley
- 4th Edith Tanner Monitor attacked with “Mumps” Allowed to stay at home Rogers takes her place as Monitor
- 5th Very Good Attendance. Usual work & progress

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- 6th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye who took full charge of sewing in absence of Mistress by order of Committee. Letter Writing & catechism this afternoon and drill
- 9th Full School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen

10th School Full. Lovely Weather. Agricultural work for children finished until Hay Harvest commences.

11th Excellent attendance. Usual work & progress

12 Do Do

13th Do Do

16th Very Good School. Barton gave Scripture Lesson to 1st class. Examined 3rd Standards Dictation. Many backward with 12 – 14 – 16 mistakes Gave result to Barton. Extra transcription lesson to remedy defect

17 Good Attendance – Weather delightful. Progress as usual

18th Do

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19th Excellent attendance. Usual work

20th Do

23rd Full School. Examined 3rd Standards Dictation & 2nd Standards Transcription. Find both improving. Reading in Shepherds Class not progressing as it ought.

24th Visit of Mrs. Padley & and Misses Padleys (3) the former heard the 1st Class Read & the Miss Padleys the 2nd & 3rd Standard

25th Ordinary Work & Progress

26 Do

27 Letter Writing. Read aloud to whole class the Principal & best letters as examples. Catechism

30th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye who inspects sewing.

31st Excellent School. Ordinary work

June 1st Do Do

2 Do Do

3 Visit of Mrs. & Miss Padleys

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6th Whit Monday. School not so well attended. Beesand & Hallsand Fair & general Holiday in neighbourhood. Visit of Miss Maye & Mrs. Padley

7th Whit Tuesday. Thin attendance owing to continuation of "Fair" and a general "christening" of many of the Brothers & Sisters of school, who to celebrate the occasion, have a picnic on the Sands. Saw the Rev. J. C. Carwithen in the Morning, who consented to a half holiday this afternoon

8th Rain. Small School. Many over tired

from yesterdays pleasures. Work as usual
& progress
9th Very Fair School. Many absenting themselves
through the non-attendance on earlier part
of week. Visit of Miss R. Maye & Friend &
Mrs. Padley who inspected sewing & of Misses
Padleys (2) who heard 1st & 3rd classes read.
10th Dull day. Fair school. Punished
French for leaving school for home without
leave and also Bowden & Brooking for running
over desks after a fair caution. Work as usual.

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13th Full School. Examined 4th Standards
Reading 3rd & 2nd Standards Writing
Latter subject much better than former one
Evil must be remedied to gain better mark
at next examination.
14th Excellent School. Hay Harvest another
agricultural plague to attendance commences
A few allowed to leave early to carry dinner
& drinkings of mowers Barton gave
Scripture Lesson to 2nd & 3rd Standards
Visit of Mrs. Padley & recapitulation of
Reading Lesson on slate for the 1st time
15th Excellent Attendance. Market day at Kings-
bridge where many children of butchers & Farmers
attend with their parents. Visit of Mrs.
Padley
16th Excellent Attendance. Examined 4th Stand.s
Arithmetic particularly in backward rules
but find them being done very infrequently.
This is owing to the continual working
of New Rules instead of recapitulation of
old ones. Visit of Miss Maye
& singing instead of usual Scripture Lesson
17th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Mrs. Padley

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20th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye
& niece.
21st Excellent Attendance. Examined school generally
22 Excellent attendance Usual work
23 Do Do
24 Do Do Visit
of Mrs. Padley who brought nuts
to be distributed to little ones prior
to her leaving for London
27th Excellent attendance. Beautiful Weather.
Hay Harvest commences but very few
absentees on that account.
28th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye &
her mother who requested to hear children
sing during the last lesson this after-
noon

29 School Full. Usual work & progress
30 Do Do
July 1st Do Do
Visit of Miss Maye – Examined
the quantity of sewing performed by girls
as complaint had been made on that score

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July 4th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
& ordinary work and progress
5th Full School. Recapitulation of Scripture
Lesson on Black board
6th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye
7 Do Ordinary work
8th Do Do

11th Very Good Attendance. In opening school
discovered that several children were ill
with Scarletina – viz Dimont Hutchings (2)
Michelmore etc. Cautioned whole school
in respect to their attendance & enjoined
that all would be as careful as possible
to avoid spreading infection This same
disorder accompanied with measles made
its appearance about this time last
year and sad havoc was committed
in the attendance for a month
12 Very good attendance. Several more
sick with Scarletina Visit of Miss
Maye
13 Very Good Attendance. Left School
rather early in charge of Teachers

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this afternoon to go to Kingsbridge.
A chapel tea at Hallsands keeps a
few away from that village. Visit of
Miss Maye
14th Excellent Attendance. Half holiday
this afternoon. Mr. Lavers (Master)
married this morning to Miss Pret-
tejohn of Torcross. Left school to the
care of Teachers and intends to return
on Monday. Time Table altered to make
up deficiency.
15th Very Full School. Beautiful weather. Visit
of the Rev.d J. C Carwithin in the morning
and Miss Maye in the afternoon.

18th Very Fair Attendance. Found on returning
that everything had gone on satisfactorily.
Deficiency in attendance owing to Scarletina
& Scarlet Fever the severity of the latter
being seen in the fact that 11 children
died in the village of Slapton in a few
weeks. After the Morning usual work
Informed whole school that Miss Maye

intends giving them a tea before leaving neighbourhood.

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- 19th Very Fair Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye. Usual routine.
- 20th Several still ill. Thin Attendance. General examination of School in different subjects
- 21st Kingsbridge Fair. Many absent driving cattle to Fair for Parents Visit of Miss Maye. Obligated to search 1st Class girls & others for a reel of cotton that was missed. Offender not discovered. Cautioned all the girls as this was not the 1st cotton missed.
- 22nd Recapitulation on slate of Scripture Lesson. Find this method answers well Writing Letters this Afternoon Ordinary progress
- 25th Very Good School. Beautiful Weather. Visit of Miss Maye & ordinary work & progress.
- 26th Full School. Visit of the Rev. J. C Carwithen. Miss Maye & Niece. Mrs. Kellond and Members of the choir

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- The Rev. J. C. Carwithen on behalf of the Mistress, Teachers, Monitors, Members Of the Choir & parishioners presented the Master with a Tea Set Scarletina and Fever very prevalent Several School children attacked. Boy Ryder at Coleridge died yesterday Others dangerously ill. Harvest commenced.
- 27th Full School. Examined many of the classes generally. Results to Teachers
- 28th Full School. Usual work
- 29th Do Visit of Miss Maye to inspect sewing. Mental Arithmetic last lesson this afternoon.
- Aug.t 1st School thinly attended. Harvesting is the chief cause of absentees. Visit of Miss Maye & Miss Pearse Infant Clements died on Saturday from Scarlet Fever. Hyden the Pupil Teacher Absent the whole of the day on account of illness (cold) Routine & progress as usual

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- Aug 2nd. Fair Attendance for same Cause as

- yesterday. Hyden at work again.
Prout died last night from S. Fever
- 3rd Thin School. Many farmers have now saved their corn, & so the children are gleaning. Mrs. Hutchings sent word to say her children are playing truant & begged they be corrected Usual routine & progress.
- 4th Fair Attendance. Saw the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who thought it advisable that the School should immediately break up to prevent the infection of Scarlet Fever spreading any further. Sad havoc has already been made. E.g. 9 buried in 11 days. Visit of Miss Maye
- 5.8
- 9.10 Three weeks Vacation, during which time Kitty Gunn, E.A. 'Downing –
- 11-12
- 15-16 Eliz. Kellond, Maria Quick &
- 17-18 several others not belonging to School
- 19-22 have died in Scarlet Fever –
- 23-24 Others are laying now dangerously
- 25-26 Ill

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- 29th School reopens with V. F. Attendance. The Fever has subsided a little. Informed Whole School that tea Treat takes place on Thursday Next. Visit of Miss Maye
- 30th Very Good Attendance. News of tea treat has a good effect. Singing this morning School songs. Visit of Rev: J.C. Carwithen
- 31st Excellent Attendance. Singing
- Sept 1st Excellent Attendance. Visit in the Morning of Miss Maye & Pearse etc. 220 Children sat down to tea this Afternoon waited on by Miss Maye & Pearse Misses Loyes (4) Miss Padley, Miss Helmer, Miss Brooking etc. etc. Rev: Padley & Teachers
- 2nd Very Fair School. Usual Routine & progress
- 5th Very Good Attendance. Examined 1st Standard in Reading & find them rather slow in that subject. Gave them an extra & advised Shepherd to repeat it. Visit of Miss Maye.

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- 6th Very Good School. Examined I grd..

- Standards Arithmetic & Reading & find them well up for Examination.
- 7th Excellent Attendance. Few sick ones returning & showing how severe the attacks have been by their haggard countenances & wild "Look". Usual work & progress
- 8th School Full. Usual Work & progress.
- 9th Do Letter Writing & Catechism Extra this afternoon & Visit of Miss Maye.
- 12th Very Good Attendance. The Potato Plague now is operating on the Attendance. Some of the Higher Classes therefore look thin. Usual work & progress.
- 13th Attendance Very Good. Visit of Miss Maye. Usual work & progress
- 14th School well attended Do
- 15th Do Cautioned Halls boys about returning home from rear of rain.
- 16th Good Attendance. Ordinary work & progress. Visit of Miss Maye.

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- 19th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Rev. Padley & Mrs. Pitts. Began learning Confirmation Hymns.
- 20th Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
- 21 Do Scarlet Fever which had lately been dying out again reappears with greater severity. Several whole families down. The 1st Standards will suffer in consequence at the next Examination.
- 22nd Very Good Attendance. Lovely weather. Potato digging and apple picking greatest nuisances & dread of Fever
- 23rd Attendance as usual, as well as work & progress.
- 26th Excellent Attendance. Learnt Confirmation Hymn 354 – instead of usual Scripture Lesson. Singing again this afternoon instead of Dictation etc.
- 27th Excellent Attendance. Ordinary work & progress
- 28th Full School. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen & Rev. Padley who heard children sing & arranged for to morrow mornings proceedings.

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- 29th Very Full School. Singing between 9.30 pm and 10.30 pm. All then marched to Church and attended the ceremony of Confirmation held by the Lord Bishop of Exeter. School in the

- Afternoon as usual but several children Very late and others absent to avoid spoiling their best suits donned for the occasion.
- 30th Full School. Usual work & progress.
- October 3rd. Sarah Havings reported dead thro. Scarlet Fever. Fresh attacks in Stokenham. Usual work & progress.
- 4th Full School with the exception of 1st & 5th. 6th Standards. Scarlet Fever cause of the former & apple-picking Potato digging of the two latter. Examined 2nd Standards Reading & Arithmetic & find Higden well forward in his work.
- 5th Good Attendance with above exceptions. Examined 4th 5th 6th Stand.s Arithmetic as per Annual Inspec.

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- 6th Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen at 9.30 this morning to increase room & arrange measurements for New Schools. Work & progress as usual.
- 7th Letter Writing & Catechism in lieu of Dictation & Scripture. Kept in Durnard & Prettejohn. Without their provender to make up for loss of time this morning in Catechism & Poetry exercises.
- 10th Excellent Attendance only drawbacks to it Scarlet Fever. Apple picking & pounding & Potato digging.
- 11th Attendance Very Good. Usual routine
- 12 Miserable Wet day. Very thin Attendance 2 classes together joined one for to days work.
- 13th Fresh outbreak of fever at Beesands Several home ill and others obliged to be kept home to avoid spreading infection.
- 14th Fair attendance. Usual work & progress.

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- 17th Very Good Attendance. Usual work but many absent through apple-picking, Pounding & potato digging together with fever.
- 18th Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who gave grant for "National Arithmetic".
- 19th Very Small School. Miserably rough wind. Hurricane at 11 which blew

- 20th off roofs of houses and tore down trees.
Very Fair Attendance. Usual routine & progress.
- 21st Attendance as yesterday. Went to Kingsbridge leaving School in charge of Teachers & Mistress by consent of Manager. No account of insubordination on re-Turn.
- 24th Very Fair Attendance. Usual work
Scarlet Fever broke out at Torcross
Longs Family attacked as also Harradon at Care House. First used the National Arithmetics which are full of Excellent examples.

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- 25 Very Fair Attendance. Visit of the Vicar this morning. Usual routine & progress. Very wet day & few of Sands absent accordingly.
- 26th Very Fair Attendance. Apple pickers busy.
- 27th Very Fair Attendance. Examined 1st 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Standards Arithmetic and gave results to Teachers 5th & 4th Standard requires a little extra care
- 28th Letter Writing & Catechism and thin Attendance. Usual routine & progress.
- 31st Excellent Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye
Nov.r 1st Full School. Examined 2nd & 3rd Standards Reading. 2nd Standard well up. Singing 2nd Lesson this morning instead of usual work. Punished two boys for putting pencils in their pockets & cautioned whole school.
- 2nd Full School. Usual routine
- 2rd Do
- 4th Visit of Miss Maye & Kingsb. friend

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- Novbr. 7th Very Full School. All future Arithmetic to be worked on Paper in Higher Standards. Allowed children to leave rather earlier this Evening on account of the rain.
- 8th Full School. Few still apple picking Pounding & Potato digging.
- 9th Attendance Very Good, but rough Morning & many later than usual on this account. Sent after absentees.
- 10th Very Good Attendance. Excuses yes-

- terday. Fever, rough weather & Home duties.
- 11th Visit of Miss Maye, Catechism & Letter Writing.
- 14th Very Fair Attendance. Two admitted from Mr. Hortons School where they have been paying 6d per week to learn Nothing.
- 15th Very Fair Attendance. Usual work and progress. Sent after absentees

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- 16th Result of yesterdays Enquiries – Scarlet Fever Pounding & potato digging & picking. Saml. Kelland reported very ill from Fever, and few cases of Scarletina. Usual work & progress.
- 17th Very Fair Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye & friend.
- 18th Very Fair attendance usual work.
- 21st Miserable Weather. Rain in torrents & wind a “Gale”. Very thin attendance in consequence.
- 22nd Very Fair Attendance but better than yesterday. Usual work.
- 23rd Mondays Weather. Fred Geo Elliot from Ford dead (Scarlet Fever)
This poor little lad was at School on Friday & left apparently in perfect health, he was a corpse last night at 6 o clock, thus showing the severity of the attacks.
- 24th Rough weather thinly attended
- 25 Do Do

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- 28th Very Good School. Sent after absentees. Usual work & progress.
- 29th Very Good School. Many of excuses yesterday was weather too cold & uncertain is allow the delicate ones to attend. Picking Potatoes another nuisance. Visit of Miss Maye & Miss Carwithen.
- 30th Very Good Attendance. Usual routine
- Decbr. 1st Do Do
- 2nd Do Singing 3rd Lesson
this morning instead of usual work an drill.
- 5th Very Good Attendance. Work as usual
- 6th Do Do

7th Do Do
8th Do Do
9 Do Do

12th Very Good Attendance. Visit of
the Rev: J. C. Carwithen.
13 Usual Attendance. Work & progress
14 Do Do

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15th Fair Attendance. Usual routine &
progress.
16 Do Singing and Letter
Writing
19th Cold Day. Very Good Attendance.
Many of the sick ones returning.
20th Very Good Attendance. Usual work.
21st Do Unexpected visit
of the Rev. A. Earl the Diocesan
Inspector, who examined the School
& expressed himself satisfied with the
result.
22nd Rough Day. Usual work but with
thin Attendance
23rd Do Do Singing
instead of usual Letter Writing exercise

Christmas Holidays

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Rough Weather. Small Atten
dance. Barton returns to work again
after sitting for Queens Scholar at
Exeter.
3rd Rough Weather. Thin Attendance.
4 Do Do
5 Do Do
6 Do Mrs. Kellond the
sewing mistress absent through
illness. Visit of Miss Maye.
9th Small School. Rough Weather.
10 Do Do
11th Very Fair School but too late in
the week to fetch up the Attendance
12 V. Fair Attendance. Usual work
13 Do Do
16th Lionel Fortescue examined the first
class who answered very satisfactorily.
The Rev; J. C. Carwithen also examined 4th
5th & 6th Standards Reading. Very Fair
Attendance but rough weather keeps those

away those who live at a long distance.

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- 17th Very rough Morning. Very Fair Attendance. The number for the week is settled by this day. The remainder of the week will only be V. Fairly Attended. Barton gave a Scripture Lesson to 3rd Standard also extra Dictation exercise. Punished several Beesand children for coming late.
- 18th V. Fair Attendance. Took away the privilege of several children who were allowed to leave School before Evening Prayer because they were overtaken by other children who left later.
Routine & progress as usual.
- 19th Attendance as yesterday. Ordered more children to be writing on Darnells Copy books as many have neglected it for Exercise Copy books. Punished Harry Trout for carelessness in working sums he having been duly cautioned both by his teacher & myself. Usual progress.
- 20th V. Fair Attendance. Visit of Miss Maye to inspect sewing. Requested children to inform their school fellows that exam: takes place soon & that they are required at school in consequence. Routine as usual.

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- 23rd Very Good School better than any week since the Holidays. Usual work and progress. Gave Catechism books to 3rd Standard for Home Lesson. Bartons result of Examination U.2.
- 24th Full School. 3rd Standard Extra Scripture Lesson by Barton. Examined 4th, 5th & 6th Standard thoroughly on paper each subject as required by R. C. Every child in Higher Standards ought to pass the Rev: E. P. Arnold
- 25th Full School. Small Pox reported to have broken out at Torcross. M. Dimond died last night from "Suppressed Small Pox. Cautioned children to be careful in visiting the House for the sake of curiosity and advised them to keep themselves particularly clean and take plenty of exercise in this beautiful frosty air. Routine as usual.
- 26th Very Good School. Barton leaves us to day for the Training College at Exeter.
- 27th Very Good School. Passing call of Miss Maye. Usual Routine & progress.

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- 30th Excellent Attendance. On opening School this morning found Wm. Dimont present whose sister had only recently died of "Small Pox" as reported on opposite page and requested him to leave for the present week. Explained the different parts of the Catechism instead of usual Scripture Lesson, put Every boy in his proper Standard as per Examination, and Higden takes Bartons place as Senior P.T. Tolchard supplies E. Farmers Vacancy with infants.
- 31st Excellent Attendance. Gave Extra Arithmetic Lesson to 4th Standard Progress as usual. (The whole of the Sunday School partook of tea at Widdicombe and also of the fruits of the Xmas tree)
- Feb.y 1st Excellent Attendance. All work as for Examination.
- 2nd Visit of Miss Maye. Usual routine & progress
- 3rd Excellent Attendance. Work & progress as usual.

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- 6th Excellent Attendance. Routine & progress as usual.
- 7th Full School. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and Mr. Pitts Managers of the school to test the Registers. Routine & progress with the exception of an extra drill as usual. The School Year I may remark here has been a very successful one as regards numbers on the Register, but it has been a very sickly one for the children. The Scarlet Fever has raged horribly and fatally carrying off as many as 10 in one week. This together with Scarletina has been more or less prevalent throughout the whole school year which with the illness of the Master has seen serious drawbacks to the progress of the School. Although perhaps we may pass a good examination. Broke up rather earlier this afternoon to prepare for H. M. I. the Rev: E. P. Arnold.

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- Feb.y 8th John Lavers. Certificated

Teacher of the 4th Class 1st Grade.
William H. Higden. Pupil Teacher
of the 4th Year
William Shepherd. Pupil Teacher
of the 1st year

E. P. Arnold

235 children present this morning. Exam:
passed off very satisfactorily. Persons
present – Miss Maye, Mrs. Prout. Rev. J.
C. Carwithen & Padley & Mr. Prout.

9th)
10th)
13th Holidays. P. T.s Examination
Very Good Attendance. Usual work
& progress
14th Moderate Attendance. Ley day. Wild fowl
shooting. Left School at 11 in charge of W.
Higden P.T. for the remainder of the day.
15th Attendance & work and progress as yesterday.
Ley day.
16th Very Fair Attendance. Usual work
17th Do Do

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Feb.y 20th Very Good Attendance. All the children
began their new work in a higher Stand.d
Tables to be learnt as home lessons and
an additional Lesson here. Progress as
usual

20th Full School. Singing Lesson
21st Very Full School. Ashwednesday. Visit
of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen to arrange
hymns & hear the children sing. Went
to Church at 10.00 A.m. and remained
until 12.15. Afternoon work as usual.
Visit of Miss Maye.

22nd Very Full School. Requested whole
of 4th. 5th. & 6th Standards to pur-
chase Gills Geography (6d) as an aid
to extra subject next year.

23rd Beautiful Day and several children
potato Planting, as great a plague
to regular Attendance as any season
brings. Singing this Afternoon.
Progress as usual. Visit of
Miss Maye & friend.

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27th Beautiful Weather and full School.
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Usual
Work & progress.

28th Very Excellent attendance. Reduction
taught to 4th Standards. Ordinary work.

March 1st. Full School. Usual work & progress

2nd Do -
3rd Do -

6th Very Full School. Visit of the Rev:
J. C. Carwithen. Usual work.
7th Full School. Usual work & progress.
8th Do. Report arrived yesterday &
the school suffers from the unfair exam:
of the Rev: E. P. Arnold. H. M. Inspector
of Schools. I have a disorderly & badly
arranged school, and during the confusion
to give a Dictation Lesson will be capital
practise for the present year & the children
perhaps will be better up in their
Paper work". Discovered Mabin in
Lying and dishonesty. Punish tomorrow
after he brings back the Stolen top.

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9th Very Full School. Mabin returned the
'top' as reported yesterday. Confessed his
dishonesty and was punished before whole
school. Work as usual.
10th Very Good Attendance. Ordinary work &
progress.
13th Beautiful Weather & excellent attendance.
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Miss
Maye.
14th Excellent Attendance. Usual routine &
progress.
15th Full School. Usual routine & progress.
16 Do Do
7th Visit of Miss Maye. Singing &
Letter Writing instead of usual work.

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Report of H. M. Inspe- tor on the Stokenham Natl. School for the year ending 31st January 1871.

*"The percentage of papers here
is exactly what it was last year
85.6 per cent. Had it not been
for the inaccuracy of the paper work
in the upper standards especially
the sixth, the per centage would
have stood still higher, for
the junior classes have been
thoroughly drilled in their work.*

Needlework has been carefully taught and superintended and I must again express my pleasure in this school and in the cheerful hearty interest which these children show in their work.

The style of the reading is too quick and mechanical all through

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the school, this quickness produces carelessness and inaccuracy not only in the reading but also in dictation.

W. H. Higden – Composition

W. Shepherd. Religious knowledge

Before consenting to E. E. Tanner's admission My Lords desire to be informed whether the conditions of Article 81(e) can be strictly complied with in her case.

J. C. Carwithen
Hon.y Secretary
Dated March 1871

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March 20th Very Good Attendance but few absent ones on account of the beautiful weather enabling their parents to plant their potatoes the greatest of all plagues to Attendance.

21st Very Good Attendance. Higden allowed to leave School this afternoon to go to Kingsbridge. Children had an extra quarter hours fun in honor of the Marriage of Princess Louisa to the Marquis of Lorne.

22nd Very Fair Attendance. Potato Planters from School. Usual Work & progress.

23rd Attendance as yesterday. Visit of Miss Maye.

24th Very Fair School. Ordinary work & progress.

27th Full School. Began Vulgar Fractions with 1st Class.

- 28th School well attended. Ordinary work & progress.
 29th Singing 1st Lesson this morning.
 30th Ordinary routine & progress.
 31st Letter Writing 1½ hrs this afternoon.

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- April 3rd. Full School and with the exception
 Of Potato Absentees – no one away.
 Routine & progress as usual.
 4th Full School. Taught School 2nd Lesson
 this morning the Song “Down in a
 Green & Shady bed.”
 5th Full School. Visit of Miss Maye.
 6 Not so well Attended to day. Can
 assign no reason. Work & progress
 as usual.
 7th Good Friday Holiday
 10th Full School. Work & progress as usual.
 11th Easter Tuesday. Miserably Wet and
 very poor attendance in consequence.
 Routine not followed on this day.
 12 Very Fair School, but many absent
 now about Potatoes. Visit of the Rev:
 J. C. Carwithen and friend. Usual
 routine & progress.
 13th Attendance as yesterday
 14 Do Visit of
 Miss Maye and Friend who heard children
 sing.

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- 17th – 21st From April 17th to 21st
 Rough mornings and several children
 Absent or late during the commence-
 ment of the week. This was the
 only drawback to the Attendance.
 Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen &
 Miss Maye. The Mistress absent
 with consent of Managers on Friday
 Afternoon. Routine altered to day
 to meet deficiency.
 24-28 April 24th to 28th
 Many old faces returned again
 who had been potato planting, and here
 it may be remarked of all seasons
 Potato planting & digging are the principal
 hindrances in an Agricultural District
 Potatoes being the “Staff of Life”. For many
 families during the long, dreary
 Winter, especially so when the parents of
 children are not engaged in fishing.
 Edith Farmer ill on Wednesday and

allowed to stay at home.
Routine as usual.

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- 1st – 5th From May 1st to 5th
Excellent Attendance the whole of
the week. Visit of Miss Maye.
Singing twice during the week &
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen &
Mr. Padley.
- 8th-12th Excellent attendance. Usual work
& progress.
- 15th-19th Full School. Dismissed two boys
after cautions & persuasions for dirty
habits, being swarmed with vermin and
covered with dirt. Cautioned whole
School on the subject, and advised them
especially during the very hot weather
to keep themselves particularly clean
as the best prevention against all
epidemics. A New series of Books
by "Grayson & Birkby" first
used throughout the School, and
supersedes Chambers. The New books
& maps were purchased from the Natl.
Society for about 10£ 4£ of

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- which was supplied by the Exeter Diocesan
Board of Education. Cautioned Children to
be very careful of their new books &
to Read, Mark and learn their con-
tents.
- 22nd-26th Full School. New Routine. Sent after
the few absentees. Illness and required
to assist parents chief excuses. Punished
Trout & Herrings for playing the truant, and
cautioned Charles Michelmore. Visit of
Miss Maye to day – Friday.

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- 29th to 2nd From May 29th to June 2nd
Whit Monday & Tuesday this year as
well as former years spoils the
whole weeks attendance. Fair
at Stokenham & Hallsands & Beesands
besides sundry picnics among the juven-
iles. Half Holiday on Tuesday,
as advised by the Rev: J. C. Car
withen. The New routine was
followed with one or two revisions.

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- 5-9 June 5th to 9th
Very Good School the whole week.
Visit of Mrs. Padley & Miss Padley
and Miss Ridley. Each took a
separate reading Class, and assisted
and inspected sewing. Progress &
routine as usual.
- 12-16 Tuesday & Wednesday of this week
were very wet days and kept many
of the Lower Standard Children
at home. Several in the 4th, 5th & 6th
Standards came thoroughly drenched
and the Cottage had to be a "drying
house". Visit of Mrs. Padley & Miss
Padley and also Miss Maye.
Tolchard the P. T. ill on Friday
and allowed to stay at home.
The work and progress of the
School as usual.
- 19-23 Yesterday was a very wet day &
many absent in consequence.
Tolchard ill on Monday

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- and Tuesday and therefore not at
School. Mrs. Padley inspected sewing
& knitting. Work as usual.
- 26th-30th Full School. Usual routine & progress
and occasional visits of Mrs. Padley.
Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen.
- 3rd-7th July 3rd to July 7th
Neither weather or agricultural pursuits
to prevent children attending regularly,
consequently full school and
ordinary routine & progress.
- 10th-14th Full and Excellent Attendance
until today when the torrents of
rain prevented anything like a
School. Allowed Children to stay
in all the dinner hour, both to eat
their provender and for the recreation.
superintended by Master P. Teacher.
Occasional visits of Miss Padley.

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- 17th-21st July 17th to 21st.

Full School. Mackerel catching in the Start Bay & many children only just in time to save their mark on the Register. Their Excuse is – and a very reasonable one – Parents rise by day break to attend the fishing and do not return to give their children their dinners until between 9 to 10 am, consequently their Attendance is late, but shall not punish as children would stay at home altogether. No alteration in routine & progress.

24th-28th Excellent Attendance, but owing to the increase of Mackerel catching several "Sands children" not present. Tolchard ill on Tuesday and absent and Harradon the Monitor on Thursday. Visits of Mrs. Padley and Miss Maye to Day. Usual work.

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31st to 4th July 31st to Aug. 4th
Excellent Attendance. On Tuesday gave a half holiday in honor of the Marriage of our much respected Vicar – the Rev: J. C. Carwithen with Miss E. Hawke of Bath. Three cheers were given for the bride and bridegroom and at the same time it was proposed that a subscription be passed and a presentation be made to our pastor. On Wednesday work was commenced with a full school and scores responded to the proposal of Tuesday. Visit of Mrs. Padley to inspect sewing and Miss Maye to day with a lady friend.

7th to 11th Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday was well attended but Thursday & Friday Corn harvest commenced & many children required at home. Visit of two Salcome Clergymen (Names unknown) and occasional visit of Mrs. Padley. Ceased work At 4 for a three weeks Vacation.

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4th-8th Aug. 14th to Sept. 4th 3 weeks Vacation
Very Fair Attendance, but last Week being rather a wet one several

patches of corn still unsaved of fields not properly cleared for gleaning. Usual work & progress.

11th to 15th Full School. On Wednesday a whole holiday was given in honor of the return of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen and wife. Tea treat to all the School children, both Sunday and days Scholars – 250 being present – and presentation to our Vicar of a toast rack, egg cups, and spoons. On Friday we were visited by one of our oldest and best friends – Miss Carwithen – who after a long and painful illness is able to call on us again.

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18th 22nd Very Fair School but now comes two of the worst Agricultural pursuits that injures the Attendance of our School Viz. Potato digging and apple picking. The former of these will last about 3 weeks and the latter until Christmas, and continually a Source of annoyance. Tuesday being Harvest Thanksgiving & a public tea ½ holiday given in the Afternoon. On Thursday Tolchard the 1st yr. P.T. after numerous cautions in respect to his attention to his home lessons & school work absented himself from his duties without leave on being rebuked for a repetition of his old offence, and for improper conduct. Remained away also to day without any intonation of so doing. Visit of the Vicar and Mrs. Carwithen to the former of which Tolchards conduct was reported

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23-29 25th September to 29th
Very rough week. Wind a regular hurricane nearly every day and rain in torrents. Very small School in consequence, and those who attended frequently came drenched to the skin. Fires lighted to dry clothes of children and School furniture. Tolchard returns to duties by consent of Managers after an Apology to the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and also to the Master promising by his future conduct to atone

for the past. Mrs. Kellond absent the whole of the week by consent of Managers to attend to her Mother who is dangerously ill. As no sewing Mistress attended the girls came with the Master and teachers every afternoon and the time table for the boys was adhered to. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen on Monday.

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Oct.r 2nd to 6th A Very wet and rough week rain falling in torrents nearly every day and all of each day. Small school in consequence. Mrs. Kellond returns to her work. Visit of Miss Maye on Friday with a Lady Friend.

9th to 13th Rough Week and small Attendance. Usual routine & progress. Visit of The Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Pitts.

16th to 20th Weather delightful and Applepicking and potato digging decoying but few children. Consequently full school. Examination of 4 higher Stand.s in Arithmetic and gave results to Children. Found a few of III Stand.s backward. Also Examined Reading of all the Lower Standards and gave results to Children & found whole School to take great interest in their Number of Mark. Shall continue the System. Tolchard absent 4 days without leave and without any message to explain the Cause of this absence.

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23 to 27th Full School. Tolchard absent until Wednesday and then returned to School Duties. Illness the plea for his absence. Working of School as per routine.

20th Nov.r 3rd Nothing to interfere with this weeks attendance then Tuesdays & Wednesdays wet days. Routine & progress as usual.

6th – 10th Full School. Examined III. IV. V. VI Standards Arithmetic on Paper. One hour & a quarter was allowed. Results shown to Children and list placarded in School. Sent home the Michelmores as by appearances of these Children and from reports they have the disease called the "itch."

13th – 17th Full School. Ordinary routine & progress.
Visit of Miss Maye on Wednesday.

20th – 24th Full School. Examined 1st Stand.s
Arithmetic. Visit of Miss Maye on
Friday. Progress as usual.

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Novb.r 27th to Decb.r 1st. Very Good School. Visit on
Thursday of Barham Esq.r H. M. Inspector
of Returns who inspected premises & took
Various notes on the attendance of children
from other parishes. Left School in the
Afternoon to Attend by request a meeting
at the Vicarage where discussions on
Schools, their ???? and Education of
children were entered into by the Rev: J.
C. Carwithen – Barham Esq.r, H. Pitts Esq.r
& H. Holdsworth Esq.r. Routine Except
on Thursday. Rept. As usual

4th – 8th Very Good School except Wednesday
which was a dreadful rough day. Rained
the whole of the day. Examined higher
Stand.s on Paper in Arithmetic & Dictation
and placarded results. Visit of the Rev:
J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen & Miss Maye.

11th – 15th Excellent Attendance but Wednesday again
wet. Usual routine & progress & visit
of Miss Maye.

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Decb.r 18th to 22nd. School fairly attended. Higden
the P.T. left on Monday to attend the
Examination at Exeter Training College for
Queens Scholarship. Broke up on Thursday
afternoon for the Xmas Vacation rather
earlier than intended as to morrow com-
mences the Annual wild fowl shooting
on the Ley, which would at this par-
ticular season call most of the children
from School. Routine not adhered to in
order to supply deficiency caused by
Higdens absence Another Wet Wednesday.

25th – 29th *Christmas Vacation*

January 1st 1872. to 5th. Opening Week and
Small School which is generally the
case – the Year opens also with re-
ported sicknesses amongst children viz.
Hooping Cough & Fever. This is not
to be wondered at after so much wet

succeeding the long & beautiful dry
frosts of Oct.r & Novb.r
Usual routine.

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8th – 12th Very Fair Attendance but Sick School.
Hooping Cough spreading rapidly. Sent several
home who visited School with it. Visit
of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen.
& Miss Maye. Routine as usual.

15th – 19th Very Good attendance. Master ill &
unable to work as usual in the School.
Examination on Tuesday by the Rev: J. C.
Carwithen for prizes. All the R.s taken.
Every child inspected by the Vicar, assisted
By the Rev: E. Padley. Children did their best
and passed to the satisfaction of both
Clergymen. The Rev: J. C. Carwithen, after
exhorting all to work as hard as they could
whilst at School, distributed the prizes on
Wednesday Morning to the successful competi-
tors – the prizes consisting of a handsome
Writing desk, Several pretty boxes, 8 well
bound books, numerous Small books &
picture cards. Visit of Mrs. Padley. Miss
Padley & Cadet. Mrs. Prout & Miss Maye.

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Jan. 22-26 Very Fair School but very wet &
Infant Class suffers. The Hooping Cough
still rages horribly. Closed School a little
earlier to day to prepare for Singing Feast.
Progress & routine as usual.

29th – Feb 2 School attendance as usual suffering
from the same causes. H. Cough & wet.
Colds very prevalent and altogether we
have a very sick school. Visit of
the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Higden the Senior
Pupil Teacher after completing his appren-
ticeship and obtained a Queens Scholarship
left us on Monday for Exeter Diocesan
Training College. Routine & progress as
usual Mrs. Padley assisted every day
at the Sewing.

5th – 9th Attendance a little better, but still
the classes look thin. Rain Every
day. Hooping Cough subsiding & a few
of the sufferers returning. Punished
Trout & Crimp for stealing, the former
taking a knife from the School

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and the latter spending his School Money. Made an Example of both before whole School, & showed the evil consequences of such a dishonest act by a Scripture Lesson on the "Life & Death of Achan".

12th – 16th Attendance increasing. Visit of the Vicar & Mrs. Padley. Usual work & progress.

19th – 23rd Very Fair Attendance. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Mrs. Padley assisted on Sewing days. Progress as usual.

26th – March 1st Attendance improving. Tuesday the General Thanksgiving Day for the recovery of the Prince of Wales. Went to Church at 10.30 am. 190 buns were distributed to the School children after Service by the Vicar & Mrs. Carwithen assisted by the Rev: E. Padley & Mrs & Misses Padley (2) & Miss Ridley. Half Holiday in the afternoon. Left School to the care of Teachers & Mrs. Kellond on Thursday by the permission of the Vicar.

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March 4th to 8th. Very Fair Attendance. Potato Planting now commenced & one of the greatest hindrances to School Attendance that an Agricultural district can have. Visit of Mrs. Padley & the Rev. J. C. Carwithen

11th – 15th Very Fair School. Hooping Cough & Measles still prevalent. Left School to the care of Mistress & Teachers for one day by consent of Manager. No case of insubordination in my absence.

18th – 22nd Attendance as last week. Crimp again detected in theft, taking money from the School drawer. Punished him for his lying & theft before whole School & threatened him with dismissal on the next offence. Catechism & Metric System frequently during the week. Other work as usual with passing call of Mrs. Holdsworth.

A letter from James Barton late P.T. of this School states that he has obtained

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- A 1st Class Certificate at the end of his 1st Year.
- 25-29 Good School. Usual routine & progress. Holiday Good Friday.
Very much gratified with the School and the appearance of the Children and their demeanour
F.G. Dalgety
Lockerley Hall, Hampshire
- April 1st – 5th Fair Attendance. Potato Planting a great draw back – the worst plague we have. Visit of F. G. Dalgety Esq.r & two daughters & Rev: J. C. Carwithen on Tuesday, the former gentleman making the above report. The Vicar cautioned children not to touch “Wreaths & Crosses” etc. they might find in the Church Yard. Routine not adhered to on Easter Monday & Tuesday on account of Stokenham Fair day & general holiday.

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- 8-12th Very Fair School but potato planting still injures the attendance. Examined Paper Work on Tuesday. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Miss Maye. Sent after absentees.
- 15th-19th Attendance improving. Nearly all the answers to enquiries – Kept home to help Parents about the potatoes. Examined Higher Standards in Paper Work on Tuesday & placarded results.
- 22nd – 26th Attendance about the same as last week. Visit of Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Miss Carwithen. Examination on Tuesday. Paper Work improving. The Rev: E. P. Arnold informed us he intends inspecting School on the 16th of May.
- 29th – May 3rd. Very Fair School & more regularly owing to the News of the Inspection. Routine & progress as usual.

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- 6th. 10th Good School. Half Holiday on Monday. Attended Kingsbridge with the Teachers who were Examined by the Rev: E. P. Arnold. Church on Thursday

with whole School (Ascension day)
Other work as per Time Table.

13th 17th Full School. Children eager for Examination which took place yesterday. 236 present on Thursday Morning. 180 Examined by the Rev: E. P. Arnold & Mr. Mulhall, two of H. M. Inspectors. The lower standards did well in all with the exception of Dictation in II Standard when 15 out of the 40 were plucked by the Rev: E. P. A. No visitors but the Rev: J. C. Carwithen.

20th – 24th Full School & raised each stand.d of school. Tables instead of Usual Arithmetic Lessons. Began Geography as advised by Mr. Arnold.

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May 27th. 31st Very Good School. Tables learnt & new rules commenced.

June 3rd – 7th Good School. Work & progress as usual.

10th 14 Good Attendance. Tolchard & Harradon with 2 or three 1st Class girls absent to attend Confirmation held by The Bishop of Exeter at Charleton. Routine not followed on Monday to supply deficiency of staff. Call of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen. Punished Mabin for Truanting & cautioned Luscombe for decoying Two Infants from School to accompany him on errands for his Parents.

17th 21st Very Fair Attendance. First Class Numbers reduced through Hay Harvesting.. Weeding Mangold cutting weed and other agricultural pursuits Routine of the School and progress as usual

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24th to 28th Very Good Attendance. Report arrived and with it the sad intelligence of a Deduction of 59£ 6-6 such deduction being made under Art. 62 a.3 of New Code of 1872 – “clearly shewing the utility of the Act viz. “To aid poor schools and depress good ones.” Thanks to Mr. Forster. Routine & progress of school as usual.

July 1st to 5th Good Attendance. Hay Harvest has however kept home many from the 1st Class. Learnt the "Round". A boat A boat haste to the ferry." Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen who informed Sherford children that they could no longer attend School unless they brought their own fees. Arith.c Examination to Higher Standards. Visit of the late Teachers Barton & Higden.

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*The Rev: E. P. Arnolds H.M.I.
Report on Stokenham National School
for the year ending 30th April 1872 (15 months)*

Though this School is crowded with children and does not contain the requisite area for the average number of Scholars, still less for those who were present at the inspection, the Discipline is admirably good, and the elementary instruction as good as can be expected under the circumstances

The attainments of the first class are, however weak, particularly in reading and composition and undoubtedly the teaching is rendered more mechanical and less efficient than it would otherwise be by the crowded state of the rooms and the unwieldy size of some of the classes. The needle work is very good, but mending

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should be regularly taught, not merely to those girls who happen to bring work to mend, but as part of the ordinary instruction of all the elder girls. The paper work of the third and fourth standards is particularly well done and the interest of all the children in their school work is pleasant to see.

The requirements of Article (17.c) as to square feet of area are not satisfied for the children in average attendance and I am to remind you, that non-compliance with this article may entail the loss of the entire grant next year.

More books and maps should be provided, and the accounts must be kept in the greater case in future. The grant (article 3) is equal to the amount of Voluntary Contributions and School fees after deducting (Article 32.1) the sum of £5.5 spent upon a School treat.

Dated
June 24th/72

H. Tolchard) Grammar
Arithmetic
W. A. Harradon – Reading

J. C. Carwithen
Hon.y Secretary

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July 8th – 12th Good School. Higher classes small on account of Hay Harvest. Work & progress as usual

15th – 19th Beautiful Weather. Hay Harvest and Mangold thinning against attendance in Higher Standards. Examined 1st. 2nd & 3rd Stand.s Arith. & gave results to Teachers Work as usual.

22nd – 26th Very Good School. Punished the two elder Mabins for playing the truant and cautioned them as to their future conduct in this respect. The Lower Standards learnt words of the Song "Home, Sweet Home." Hay Harvest the great "plague" now to School Attendance of Higher Standards. Progress as usual & regular routine. Allowed Tolchard to absent himself from regular duties on Wednesday.

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29th – August 2nd Good Attendance on Thursday the anniversary of the Rev. J. C. Carwithens Wedding day the Sunday School children had tea at the Stokenham Vicarage.

Commenced School at 1.30 pm that Afternoon to secure the necessary time for marking registers. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen and Miss Northey to hear children sing and distribute tea tickets. Work as usual.

5th – 9th Fair Attendance. Reaping corn commenced and the 1st sight of Harvest calls the children from School. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen and Miss Northey. Broke up this afternoon for 3 weeks the usual Harvest Vacation.

Aug.t 12th to Sept.r 2nd

Three weeks Harvest Holidays

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Sept 2nd to 6th School reopens after Harvest Vacation with rather small attendance. This is attributed to the unusually late Barley Harvest which keeps the Barley Gleaners at work. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen

9th. 13th. Very Fair School. Half Holiday on Wednesday Afternoon for Harvest Thanksgiving at the Church & a Public Tea at the Nat. School. Visit on Thursday of Our Vicar with The Rev.d Power, a clergyman of Kingsbridge & lecturer. Routine & progress as usual.

16th-20th Very Good Attendance. Work as usual.

23rd-27th School Full with the exception of Tuesday which was a most miserable day. Rain in torrents – other days work as per Time Table. Learnt song "Home Sweet Home"

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H. Dimont, F. Dimont, T. Steer
Litton G & W.
The above 5 boys entered here for absenting themselves from school to see donkey racing at Beesands and are

to forfeit the 1st School holiday as a punishment.

30th – Oct 4th Full School. Usual work & progress.
Visit of Mrs. & Miss Padley and two other Ladies who heard children sing at 4.30 pm

7th – 11th. Very Full School until yesterday when the rain fell in torrents the whole of the day. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen

14th-18th Full School. Examined 3rd Stand.s Arithmetic 2nd Reading, 3rd Reading & gave results to Teachers. Exam: Arithmetic of 1st Class.

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21st-25th Very Fair Attendance. Usual work & progress.

28th – 31st. Very Fair Attendance. Apple picking and Mangold pulling the great plagues now. Wednesdays rough day lowered the Average again. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen and passing call. Mrs. Kellond left on Friday to visit Dartmouth. Thursdays routine therefore followed. Used new books "Swiss Family Robinson" on Monday for the 1st time they having arrived Oct 24th. Children take great interest in their new books after G & B's dry history. Great want is felt through the absence of a good book of "Poetry."

Novb.r 3rd to 7th Very Fair Attendance. George Prater a fine, intelligent lad in the 2nd Class was accidentally drowned at Kingsbridge on Guy Fawkes night. All his school mates regret his loss

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he being a great favourite among them. Visit of Mrs. Padley to superintend sewing. Routine & progress as usual.

10th-14th Very Fair Attendance. Wet & cold some days which effect the otherwise regular attendance. Learnt New Song "Cheer Boys Cheer". Passing call of Rev: J. C.

Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen. Progress as usual. Visit of Miss Adams.

18th-22nd Monday very rough. Remainder of week good School. Many boys still busy taking up Mangold which the rough inclement weather prolongs. Passing call of the Vicar & Mrs. Carwithen. Barton late P. T. of this school writes from Exeter to say he has succeeded in obtaining a School with average 80 at Stratton, a small market town in Cornwall. Learnt New Song "Soft Soft Music is Stealing." Work & progress as usual.

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Novb.r 25. 29th Monday small school on account of miserably wet day. Fair attendance the remainder of the week. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.

Decb.r 2nd-6th Good School all the week. Examined each Standard in each subject once for the week & gave results to teachers. Paper work commences in earnest. 2nd Stand.d defective in Numeration. 1st. Stand. in Arithmetic & 1st Division of Infants in Subtraction to 10. Visit of Mr. & Mrs. Carwithen.

9th-13th Few wet days which brings down the Attendance and sickens those parents who send their children from a long distance. Weather is frightful. Another wreck at Prawl besides a murder. Big boys at Home or at the Wreck saving for salvage or elsewhere.

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16th-20th Same sort of Weather and of course similar attendance. Monday & Friday particularly suffered. Its impossible for children to come to School being drenched to the skin to going & returning. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen to announce Sunday School treat & Xmas tree. Work & progress as usual.

23rd & 24th Good Attendance for Xmas week. Mrs. Carwithen had the use of Class room today for preparation of Xmas tree this Evening. School broke up

at 4 for Xmas Holidays.

25th – January 3rd 1873 Xmas Holidays

6th-10th School reopens but with Small attendance.
The Annual Ley Shooting took place on
Monday & Wednesday which always calls
away a great numbers of "Sailors" children.
Work & progress as usual. Master left
School for a short time on Monday afternoon.

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13th – 17th Miserable wet week. Children
with colds caught by being drenched
every day to the skin & with the
agricultural employment on a fine
day tend to make out Attendance
below the Average. Visit of the
Rev: J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen.

20th – 24th Fair Attendance. Ex.d on Paper
3rd 4th 5th & 6th Standards & placarded
list of results. Also Ex.d 1st & 2nd Stand.
Arithmetic & find them greatly im-
proved and able to pass well now.
Other routine & progress as usual.
Visit of our Vicar.

27th – 31st Fair Attendance. Miserably wet &
cold weather which for a long time past
has been bringing down the Average.
Work & Progress as usual.

Febry. 3rd – 7th Very Fair School. Usual routine &
progress & visit of the Rev. J. C.
Carwithen.

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10th. 14th. Very Good Attendance on Monday but
not so good the remainder of the week.
The Brigatine Vessel "Polka" ran ashore
to escape foundering at the Sands Hotel.
She was laden with coal which was
washed on shore & picked up by any
one who cared for hard labor & a
thorough drenching. Work & progress
as usual except on Friday Morn.g
when Master was engaged with the
Vicar.

17 – 21st Very Fair Attendance. Heard
Harraadon give a Reading Lesson to
1st Standard.

24th – 28th Fairly Attended. Went to Church on Ash Wednesday Morning. Other Routine as per Time Table.

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March 3rd to 7th V. Fair School on Monday. Many Sands children absent the remainder of the week picking up wrecked articles from the Ship "Lalla Rookh" which was laden with tea, tobacco, etc. etc. and ran on the rocks near Prawl Head. Work as per Time Table.

10th. 14th. Good Attendance. Routine & progress as usual.

17th. 21st Good Attendance. Examinations in small classes of work required by H.M.I. Other work as usual. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen.

24th. 28th. Attendance Good but many absent planting potatoes. Three visits from the Rev: J. C. Carwithen, also a visit of Messrs. Brown Prettejohn & Durrant Helmer in company with the Vicar to inspect premises for future improvements. This is the 1st Visit of Farmers for the

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benefit of the School for 7 yrs.
Work & progress as usual.

31st. 4th Good Attendance. Visit of the Mr. F. Helmer with Mason to commence improvements of outbuildings. Visits of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen Examination in Dictation of 2nd Class & in Arith.c in 4th Class.

April 7th-10th V. Fair Attendance. Visits of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen, Edith Farmer left early on Wednesday Afternoon to attend funeral of brother-in-law. Mrs. Kellond absent on Thursday. No School on Good Friday. Exam: of several classes in work for H.M.I.

14th – 18th Good Attendance. Visit of Mr. & Mrs. Norris, Master & Mistress of Sth. Pool School. Also visits of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen, Mr. Hawkes, Mr. Bamfield Half Holiday to day to prepare for concert in aid of Organ Fund. Other routine

as usual

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21st-25th Very Fair Attendance. Usual work & progress. Heard to day that H.M.I. the Rev. E.P. Arnold intends paying us a visit on the 13th of July.

28th – May 2nd Full School. Usual routine not followed the Master taking those subjects which he judges require the most attention. Several Exams also in Lower Standards as required on by Rev: E. P. Arnold or his assistant.

5th – 9th Full School. Routine as per Time Table not followed, but conducted as last week.

12th – 16th Full School. Visit of H. M. Inspector – The Rev.d E. P. Arnold & his assistant Mr. Mulhall to inspect School. During the day (Tuesday) Mrs. Prout, Mrs. Padley & Miss Cornill attended.

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19 – 23 Full School. Each Class raised a Standard & commenced their tables etc. necessary for 1st steps in New Rules. Congratulated whole school on passing so satisfactorily.

26th. 30th School Full. Routine & progress as last week, with the exception of 4th Standard who commenced Reduction.

June 2nd – 6th Full School the whole week with the exception of Whit Tuesday when the fair at the 'Sands' & general holiday time called many of the children away The Master also left the school in charge of Mistress & Teachers by the kind permission of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen – on Thursday & Friday. No act of disobedience or irregular conduct is reported and the Vicar visited the school several times, during the Masters absence and found all working well and orderly.

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Report of H. M.

*Inspector, Rev: E. P. Arnold
of the Stokenham National School
for the year ending 30th April 1873.*

*“The number of children at this
“School has been reduced since last year
“in accordance with instructions from the
“Education Department. The Order
“is excellent. Every child on the Schedule
“was present for examination, and from
“the top to the bottom of the School, the
“work is most thoroughly and creditably
“done. The elder children should
“be practised in English Composition,
“and in a School like this, I think that
“children should be presented for
“examination in some extra subject.
“The needlework is very good”*

W. Shepherd – Composition

H. Tolchard – Grammar & Geography

W. A. Harradon Grammar & Composition

E. E. Tanner Map drawing

Dated

June 16th 1873

Stokenham

J. C. Carwithen Hon.y Secretary

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9th – 13th Full School. First Class Shown New Rules & commenced their composition and Geography. Visit of the Rev: J. C. Carwithen.

16th – 20th Very Good School. Informed children of their good report on Monday Morn.g & thanked them for their attendance on the day of Inspection. Routine & progress as usual.

23rd – 27th Very good Attendance. Routine & progress as usual. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen

30th – July 4th Hay Harvest commences &

calls many of the elder children to the field. Work as usual.

7th – 11th Very Fair School. Hay Harvest calls many away from the upper Classes. Allowed Shepherd to leave a little earlier on Thursday afternoon & Tolchard on Friday afternoon.

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July 14th – 18th Very Fair Attendance. Cause of absentees same as last week. Visit of the Vicar. Routine & progress as usual.

21st to 25th. Good Attendance. Few absent still on account of Harvest & more on Thursday through Kingsbridge Fair. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen. Work as usual.

28th – August 1st. Very Good Attendance Hay Harvest over. Visit of the Rev. J. C. Carwithen. Tolchard absent one day by permission. Work & progress as usual.

4th – 8th Very Fair Attendance but Corn Harvest commenced in a few places. Routine as usual until this Afternoon when many children were at work cleaning ink wells, cupboards etc. previous to breaking up for three weeks.

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11-29th Three Weeks Vacation

Sept.r 1st – 5th Fair Attendance, but owing to the inclement weather during the past three weeks many fields of corn remain uncut & unsaved. Harradon was allowed to assist in the Harvest field a part of yesterday Afternoon. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & a friend.

8 – 12 School fairly attended. Harvest still calls many from school. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen. Routine & progress as usual.

15 – 19 Very Good School. Paid particular attention to working of Lower Standards 1st Stand.d especially where some of

the boys were very badly up in their Arithmetic. Remainder of School as per Time Table. Partly learnt new song "Good News from home." Passing call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Swettenham.

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22nd to 26th Very Good Attendance, with the beautiful weather. A few away taking up potatoes. Good news from home learnt thoroughly. A rather different arrangement with 1st Standard owing to the backward state of about 12 that come from the Infant class. Passing call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Swettenham.

29th – Oct.r 3rd. Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & a lady to hear the children sing. 2nd Class began Compound Division of money. 1st Class had several tests of their 4 rules & Practice & Bills of Parcel. Other work as usual.

6th – 10th Full School. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen. Routine & progress as usual.

13th – 17th Very Few Children to School on Monday on account of the weather. Full School the remainder of the week & usual routine & progress.

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20th – 24th Very Good School but rough weather nearly the whole of the week. Routine & progress as usual. School supplied with 1 ton of coal. Teachers began their Evening lessons. Passing call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen.

27 – 31st Very Good Attendance. Usual routine & progress. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen.

November 3rd – 7th Weather Very rough nearly the whole of the week. Very Fair Attendance. Edith Farmer sick on Thursday & Friday. Routine altered to make up deficiency. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen. Arrival of 5½ dozen of framed slates, 1 gross of New Penholders, 1 gross of steel pencil cases & 3 dozen of inkwells.

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Novb.r 10th – 14th Good Attendance.
Edith Farmer absent on Monday through illness but resumed duties again on the following day. Learnt Song "See our oars with feathered spray" 2nd Class began working easy problems. Other work and progress as usual.

17 – 21st Very Good Attendance but several children at home picking apples & taking up late potatoes. Visit of Rev.d J. C. Carwithen, Mrs. Carwithen & lady friend who heard the children sing several songs. Tolchard sick on Monday Evening and allowed to absent himself from his lessons. Other work as usual.

24th 28th Very Good Attendance. Mrs. Kellond absent on Tuesday on a visit to Dart Mouth. Informed Teachers to mark "Pence" in "Red Ink" according to the new Regulations. 1st Class Examination in Arith.c

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on Paper. Second Class making some improvement in problems. Find Numeration required in Higher Standards. Heard from Higden & obtained from him the Song "Poor Shepherd boy" & gave it to Higher Standards to transcribe & learn & lower Standards orally. Other work as per time table.

Decb.r 1st – 5th Very Good Attendance.
Arithmetic Exam: in Higher Stand.s
Routine & progress as usual.

8th – 12th Very Good Attendance. Exam: in various subjects & results given to teachers or placarded. Accident to S. Newman through Mr. Coaker thoughtlessly setting his dog at the lad. Cautioned whole school against trespassing on the farmers fields. Master ill on Friday & unable to conduct School. Routine consequently not strictly followed. Call of Mrs. Taylor.

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15th – 19th Very Good Attendance. Visit

of W. H. Higden late P. T. at this School who has just completed his College Career. Routine & progress as per time table.

22nd – 24th Very Fair Attendance, for Xmas week. Broke up to day (Wednesday) until January 5th 1874. Applied for New Code & Admission Register.

January 5th 1874 to 9th Good Attendance for opening day. Mrs. Kellond sick the whole of this week – the girls therefore had no sewing but worked with Master. Very wet yesterday & to day & many absentees. Began to mark Registers as prescribed by the new minutes – ignorance of any alteration in the Code being the reason why they were not so marked before.

12th – 16th School fairly attended, but the week a wet & boisterous one – to day the rain falling in torrents. Mrs. Kellond returned to her duties. Routine as usual.

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19th – 23rd Good School with the Exception of Monday which was very wet. Hooping Cough also making havoc to the Attendances. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen Mr. Helmer Mr. Pitt & Mr. Edwards to inspect premises & to decide on the erection of a wash House to the Cottage. Routine as usual & paper Exam.d

26th. 30th. Beautiful weather all the week & full school. Work & progress as usual.

Feb.ry 2nd – 6th Excellent Attendance. Few cases of Hooping Cough detaining a few children at home. Routine & progress as usual.
Result of Pupil Teachers Exam:

W. Shepherd	Euclid & Gram	220	Geog & History	220	Scripture	240
E. Fanner	Arith:	190	“	240	“	170
H. Tolchard	Euclid	“ 200	“	170	“	140
Wm. Harradon	“	180	“	110	“	70

W. Shepherd	total No. of Marks	= 680
E. Fanner	“ “ “ “	= 600
H. Tolchard	“ “ “ “	= 510
N. Harradon	“ “ “ “	= 360

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9th – 13th Very Good Attendance. Usual work & progress

16th – 20th Very Good Attendance. Master absent on Monday Morning on account of illness of his father. Saw Mr. Mulhall H. M. Assistant Inspector & had a conversation respecting Pupil Teachers. Passing call of the Rev. d J. C. Carwithen Mrs. Carwithen & The Honorable J. Fortescue. Also visit of the former & latter. Master paid special attention to II Class' Arithmetic. Examined arith.c of 1st. Stand & find them but little improved. Several sick with Hooping cough.

23rd – 27th Attendance Very Good with the exception of yesterday which was a miserably wet day. The few children who attended were drenched to the skin. Examined Lower Standards Arithmetic again & find them still faulty. Other work as usual.

March 2nd – 6th Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev. d J. C. & Mrs. Carwithen: the latter inspected needlework. Examinations in several Standards & results given to Teachers. Teachers commenced a new book Mr. Fawcett on Political Economy."

9th – 13th Attendance very good. Second Class had the whole week for Numeration & find them still backward in one subject viz. Arithmetic. First Standard Teacher requested to look particularly after Subtraction in his class. Found Third Class safe in Reading & Arithmetic. First Class Reading still weak in "tone". Simultaneous Reading adopted as a remedy.

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16th – 20th Very Good School with the exception of Wednesday Morning. Routine & progress as usual.

23rd – 27th Very Good School. William Shepherd absent the whole week on account of sickness. Routine consequently altered

to meet deficiency. Two paper Arithmetic Examinations in higher Standards.

30th to Thursday April 2nd. Very Good School but potato planting calling many away. W. Shepherd returned to his duties on Monday Morning. On Thursday Mrs. Kellond the Mistress absented herself from duties to visit Totnes. On Good Friday School not opened.

6th – 10th Attendance Good. Tolchard unable to attend to his school duties on Monday & Tuesday through illness. H. M. I. informed Managers that P. Teachers would be examined on the 25th Inst. Potato planting

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still plagues us. Extra Singing lessons. E. Fanner drilled Infants in songs. Paper examinations & results placarded

13TH. 17TH. Very Good Attendance. Scripture lessons given up & Reading lessons take their places. On Thursday left school to care of Teachers part of the morning to attend funeral of Miss A. Joye a member of the Church Choir. Examinations on paper & extra Singing lessons with E. Fanner & Infants.

20th. 24th Full School. Today it was communicated to the School that the Rev.d E. P. Arnold intends paying a visit on the 13th of May to hold his annual inspection. P.T.s to be Examined tomorrow at Kingsbridge. Paper Exam.s & other work as usual.

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27th to May 1st Full School. Routine not strictly followed as Master was engaged the greater part of the week in Examinations of the several classes. Visit yesterday of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen who had previously called a Parish Meeting to be held at the school, but at which no one attended. E. Fanner gave extra Singing lessons to Infants.

4th – 4th Full School. Work & progress as usual.

11th – 15th Full School. Examination on Wednesday in H. M. Inspectors Rev.d E. P. Arnold &

Mr. Muchall. 142 children were present & every one put in an appearance on the day of Examination. All the scholars passed as successfully as any Master could expect or even wish & both Inspectors seemed satisfied. Visit of Mrs. A. Holdsworth, Mrs. Prout & Miss Cornish Mrs. & Mr. Carwithen, Mr. Bartholomew, Mr. Popplestone, Mr. F. Helmer & Mr. Honeywell.

18th – 22 Very Full School Usual routine followed but table learning instead of Arithmetic. First Class began to work "practice" & the 2nd their Compound Rules – John Henry Goodman of Barton a 1st Class boy detected in stealing 4d in coppers from the Masters desk. The Rev.d J. C. Carwithen Visited School at the request of Master to advise as to the proper treatment of J. H. G.

25th – 29th Very Full School on Whit Monday – the remainder of the week many absentees on account of Fairs, pic-nics & general holiday time. The Rev.d J. C. Carwithen visited Mrs. Goodman, the Mother of J. H. G. & not receiving a satisfactory answer from her that her son for his dishonest act should receive summary punishment at the hands of the Vicar or the Master, the former made a public example of the lad – a sixth standard – by expelling him from the school. The Rev. J. C. C. then appropriately cautioned the whole school on "dishonesty"

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June 1st – 5th Very Full School all the week. Children taught several new rules & work with good spirit at them. Several new children admitted. Henry Mingo was detected in lying with intention of defrauding C. Jarvis of a new knife. After confessing his guilt Mingo was punished before the whole school & remained a solitary prisoner in the school until 5.30 pm Teachers recommenced work & with their new subjects.

8th – 12th Full School. Routine & progress as usual.

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12.A *Stokenham N. S. (Devon)*

“These children are presented for examination only in the three elementary subjects, but the whole tone of their work, and the accuracy with which they do it are admirable and most creditable to the exertions of the teachers. More should be done in the way of object & other gallery lessons with the Infants, who are however thoroughly well grounded in Reading Writing and Ciphering: and it should be insisted on that the fitting and cutting out of Needlework should form part of the regular course of instruction for the elder girls. It is always a pleasure to me to visit this good school. H. M. Inspector adds that all the Books want renewing, that a Map of Europe and Pictures for the Infants should be procured, and that the admission Register should

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be dated and indexed.

*W. Shepherd Map drawing
H. Tolchard Composition
 Arithmetic
 and
 Geography*

*W. A. Harradon Arithmetic
 and
 Geography*

*J. C. Carwithen
Secretary
John Lavers. Certificated Teacher*

*of the second class.
Wm. Shepherd Pupil Teacher
of the fifth year
Edith Tanner Pupil Teacher
of the fourth year
Herbert Tolchard Pupil Teacher
of the fourth year
Wm. Harradon Pupil Teacher
of the third year.*

Dated Stokenham.

*J. C. Carwithen
Secretary*

June 18th 1874

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15th – 19th Full School. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen on Thursday Morning who wrote in Log Book the report of H.M.I. received that post. The Vicar congratulated children on their success. Visit of Mr. Pitts & Mr. Helmer two of the Committee.

22nd – 26th Very Good School. Visit on Monday as per notice of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen Mr. Helmer Mr. Pitts & Mr. Edwards - 4 of the School Committee for the purpose of receiving H. M. Inspectors report of the School, accepting Mrs. Kellonds resignation & appointing another Mistress in her place. The report was read by the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & a vote of thanks conveyed to the master through him for the successful examination recently passed. Mrs. Kellonds resignation (caused by ill-health & recommended by the Doctor) was accepted & Mrs. Trout, widow of Stokenham and formerly a pupil in this school was appointed in her

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stead. Mrs. Kellond having left on Midsummer day & the new Mistress not being prepared to commence duties, an alteration was obliged to be made in the regular routine to supply the defect. The committee also granted every thing recommended by Rev.d E. P. Arnold in his report & gave an

order for the several articles to be procured immediately – also a desk was granted for the Master & repairs to the School etc. etc. Holiday on Wednesday by the kind permission of the Vicar.

29th to July 3rd. Very Good Attendance. Mrs. Trout the newly appointed Mistress was only able to attend three afternoons of the week. Tolchard absent from illness on Monday & Tuesday. Routine therefore nearly the whole of this week has not been followed on account of the absent teachers.

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6th – 10th Very Good Attendance. Few Hay-makers helping at home. Routine as per time table. Visit of Mrs. Carwithen & Miss Walker.

13th – 17th Very Good Attendance. Routine & progress as usual.

20th – 24th Good Attendance. Holiday on Tuesday when the Parish Church was reopened by the Lord Bishop of Exeter & who presided at a luncheon in the School Room. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen. Routine as per time table.

27th – 31st Very Good Attendance. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen & Lady friend. Passing call of the Rev.d W. Gordon. Friday afternoon chiefly spent after the first lesson in cleaning books, desks, windows, inkwells etc. etc. preparatory to breaking up for 3 wks, School broke up at 4.30 pm for the Harvest Vacation.

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24th – 28th School reopened after 3 weeks Vacation. Very thinly attended owing to the late rains which retarded the saving of the corn fully one week. Dartmouth Regatta two days & Chapel Harvest thanksgiving also called many from their regular work. Visit of Mrs. Carwithen to distribute sewing prizes won at the “Kingsbridge Union Sewing & Knitting Prize Association” Five children from this School competed

& the following were successful viz.
 Margaret Pettybridge 2nd Class Value Is-6d
 Nancy Clements 2 “ “ 1-6
 Louise Philips 3 “ “ 1-0
 Visit of Miss Prouting with Mrs. Carwithen
 the Rev.d W. Gordon & Mr. W. Higden
 Routine not strictly followed.

31st to September 4th. Better attendance than last week but still many absentees owing chiefly to gleaning from the late fields & potato digging. Mrs. Trout who succeeded Mrs. Kellond as sewing Mistress etc. left on Friday last

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by the consent of the Managers to attend on a lady (Mrs. Swettenham) going abroad. Mrs. J. Edgland has been appointed her successor & began her School duties on Monday Morning (31st). H. Tolchard was allowed to absent himself from School on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday to visit Plymouth with his brother whom he had not seen for many years. Routine consequently altered to supply the vacancy. Visit of Rev.d W. Gordon & Dr. Clarke.

7th – 11th Full School. Two Sets of New Books introduced into the School Viz. “Ivanhoe” by Sir Walter Scott & Heywoods Standard Poetry. 2½ dozen of the former & 2 dozen of the latter. Examined 1st & 2nd Standards Arithmetic & gave results to teachers. C. Shepherd the Monitor home ill with abscess. W. Browse commences his duties as a monitor with the Sewing Mistress & found very useful. Pictures added to the bare walls but not such as recommended by the Rev.d E. P. Arnold.

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14th. 18th. Very Full School. Usual work & progress.

21st – 25th Full School but potato digging this beautiful weather calls many who would otherwise be in attendance. Began easy problems with 2nd Stand: for their Arithmetic. Also Examined 3rd Stand.d Arithmetic & gave result to Teachers. William Shepherd absent on Tuesday Afternoon and also the whole of to day I also regret to state that we have lost his valuable services for the remainder of his apprenticeship, the managers

having consented to accept his resignation that he may be enabled to proceed at once to America where he has a situation offered him, with a relative. Notice of resignation given June 1st.

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28th – Oct. 2nd Full School. Master takes the whole charge of 1st Class in lieu of Mr. Shepherd & Rob.t Clements takes the monitorship alternately with Wm. Browse. Work & progress as usual.

5th – 9th Full School. The Rev.d N. Gordon commenced the “Acts of the Apostles” on Tuesday morning with the 1st Class – such lessons it is intended to be continued until the Diocesan Inspection. This is the 1st time for 8 years that any one has given a lesson to any class of this School but the Master. H. Trout punished before whole school for using bad language during a quarrel in the playground. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen. The School Board met on Monday.

12th – 16th Attendance Good. Examined 2nd, 3rd. & 4th Classes Scripture. Visit of the Rev.d W. Gordon for purpose of Scripture Class. Visit of Rev.d J. C. & Mrs. Carwithen. Routine & progress as usual.

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19th – 23rd Excellent Attendance. Few absent on Wednesday which was very wet & several from the 1st Class helping to thrash Corn on Friday. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Rev.d W. Gordon. Cautioned boys concerning their damage to the hedges adjoining the School & which was complained of by the farmers. Punished several who forgot the Caution before whole school as the evil is of long standing & ought not to Exist among the children of any rural School. Mrs. Holdsworth also called to complain of damage done to Pampas Grass at Widdicombe, such damage she considers to be perpetrated as the Beesands children walk through Widdicombe grounds (public path) to & from School. Robert Clements answers well so far as a monitor. Learnt New Harvest Hymn during Scripture Lesson on

Tuesday. Other routine & progress as usual.

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26 – 30th The first three days of this week very wet which told of the Attendance of lower Standards. Work & progress as usual. Visit of the Rev.d W. Gordon.

2nd – 6th Full School. Learnt a new Hymn in lieu of regular Scripture Lesson. Visit of the Rev.d W. Gordon on Monday. Torcross boys & girls kept in until 2.30 pm to make up their time & to abolish the foolish practice of "one & all" going home to dinner once a week & not returning again to the Afternoon work. Crimp & Prout reported "hunting" with Harriers. Arithmetic Examination of 1st & 2nd Class on Thursday. Progress as usual. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & School Board Members on Monday.

9th – 10th Very Full School – the children apparently taking great interest in their coming Diocesan Inspection. Privately punished Prout & Crimp for playing the truant last Friday. Both promised that it should

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not occur again. On Friday was held the Diocesan Inspection by the Rev.d Albert Spencer due notice having been affixed 3 weeks previously. Visit of the Rev.ds J. C. Carwithen & W. Gordon. Routine & progress as usual & Friday not entered on the Registers.

16 – 20th Very Full School. Examined the 1st three Classes in Arithmetic. Lower classes in Dictation. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen. Progress as usual.

23rd. 27th. On Friday Evening last after the above entry Mr. Craker who farms the estate adjoining the school, brought back several Torcross children whom he had detected in his orchard stealing apples. Gave the culprits a sound thrashing in the presence of the farmer & Policeman & cautioned them in respect of their future conduct.

On Monday last took place the

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Ley (Wild fowl shooting) which never fails to call many of the children from School. The whole of the week was a miserably wet one & attendance consequently meagre. Routine went on as usual.

30th - Decbr 4th Attendance good.
Routine & progress as usual. Call of The Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen & Rev.d W. Gordon.

7th - 11th Very Fair Attendance. Tuesday was very stormy & the rest of this week more or less so which told on the attendance. Punished Crispin & Crocker for behaving improperly to Miss Pepperells of Down Examined 1st Standards Arithmetic & find them rather backward. Harradon consequently took them in that particular lesson.

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14th. 18th Very Good Attendance although wet & frost with consequent evils "bad feet" kept several at home. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen. Work & progress as usual.

21st. 23rd School fairly attended. Xmas week broke up to day (Wednesday) for one weeks Vacation.

January 4th - 8th Very Fair attendance. Many absent thro: bad feet & hands, owing to the very Sudden & Severe weather. H. Tolchard & William Harradon absent on Monday by permission. Routine altered to meet defect. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & call of Rev.d W., Gordon.

11th. 15th. Excellent Attendance. Began Numeration with 1st Standard. Work & progress as usual.

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18th - 22nd School only fairly attended on account of the tempestuous weather. Introduced last Wednesday the 4th. 3rd.

& 2nd Standard "Royal Readers" (Nelsons)
Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen &
passing call of the Rev. W. Gordon. Work
& progress as usual.

25th. 29th Full School. Arithmetic Examination
on paper for higher Standards – results
to Teachers. Extra Singing lesson yesterday.

Feb.ry 1st – 5th School well attended. Visit of the
Rev.d J. C. Carwithen to day.
Routine & progress as usual.

8th – 12th Full School but several absent from
colds etc. Rev.d W. Gordon opened school
on Monday morn.g & gave Scripture lesson
to first class. Examined 1st three Stand.s
Arithmetic. Paper Exercises in 1st & 2nd
Class. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen.
Extra Singing lesson on Wednesday.
Other work as per Time Table.

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15 – 19th Very good School. Visit of
the Rev.d E. P. Arnold. H. M. Inspector
of Schools on Tuesday morning to make
enquiries of those children who attend
this school from the outlying districts.
W. Harradon absent from School both
yesterday & to day without leave either
from Managers or Master. Reported
cause to Rev.d J. C. Carwithen, who
promised to call a Meeting & enquire
into the matter. Routine altered these
last two days.

22nd – 26th Very Fair School but bad Weather &
much sickness "telling" on the Attendance.
W. Harradon returned to duties on
Tuesday Afternoon, all differences
being settled to the satisfaction of
the Master. Routine altered.

1st March to 5th Very Fair Attendance. Sickness
plenty especially bad hands &
what is worse bad feet. Tolchard
leaves us to day to the detriment

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of his (3rd) Standard. This will cause
additional hard work to the Teacher
& myself & probably the 3rd will
prove defective at the next Exam: by
the Rev.d E. P. Arnold. Tolchard has
left for the purpose of accompanying his

nephews – 3 infants of this school – to America, under the penalty of the fine prescribed in his indenture viz. 6£
W. Harradon excused from this evenings lessons.

8th – 12th Better Attendance but sickness still very prevalent. Learnt new song. (“The suns gay beam” – Hunting song)
Wrecks washing on shore & heavy weather prevented many from attending this last 3 days.
Visit of the Rev.d W. Gordon who kindly helped until 11.30 thus giving me an opportunity of working up the lowest classes. Rev.d J. C. Carwithen also visited us & promised future assistance. Visit of the Board

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15 – 19th Very Fair Attendance. Many absent from Higher Standards picking up “wreck”. One visit from the Rev.d W. Gordon. Routine of Time Table not followed.

22nd – 25th Potato planting week with many from the Upper Standards.
No School tomorrow “Good Friday”
Extra Singing with the Infants under the P. T. E. Fanner.

29th to April 2nd. Very Good Attendance all the week. Stokenham & other “Fairs” calls a few away & potato planting
Still a plague.

5th – 9th Good School. Mrs. Edgland the Mistress ill on Monday & absent from school in consequence. Extra monitor therefore in her class.
Remainder of the week as usual.

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12th – 16th Beautiful Weather, potato planting nearly over, several new faces full school. Work as usual.
Visit of the Board on Monday & also of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen to day.

19th. 23rd Full School. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & the “Board”. Visit of Wm. Clarke. Work as usual.

26th – 30th V. Good Attendance. Work & progress

as usual. Visit of the Rev.d W. Gordon.

3rd May – 7th Full School. Visit of the Rev.ds J. C. Carwithen & W. Gordon. Examinations in several classes as carried out by the Rev.d E. P. Arnold

10th – 14th Full School. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mrs. Carwithen to examine sewing. General examinations throughout school by Master. Visit of the Board Mrs. Edgland absent to attend a funeral yesterday afternoon.

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17th – 21st Full School. General cleaning of School on Tuesday Evening interferes with the general routine. Annual visit of the Rev.d E. P. Arnold and his assistant Mr. Mulhall to Examine the School; 189 children present on the day of Examination of which 105 were eligible and passed as far as can be ascertained very creditably. There were present on the day of Exam: the Rev.ds J. C. Carwithen & W. Gordon & Mrs. Carwithen. Routine the remainder of the week as per time table.

24th – 28th Full School. Routine & progress as usual.

June 31st – 4th Excellent Attendance. Remedied whole of school one Standard higher. The Master accordingly has the 5th & 6th Standard, E. Fanner the 4th, W. Harradon the 3rd, Shepherd the 2nd & R. Clements the 1st. N. Pengeley reserved as the Infants Monitor.

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7th – 11th Excellent Attendance. Visit of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen today who brought the Government Inspectors report of the School. The Vicar also requested that all entries made in this log book since the 30th of April be copied into the New Log Book provided by the Board, and returned to him for the insertion of H.M.I. report
Work & progress as usual

