

DIARY
or
LOG BOOK

Abstract from the New Code 1871:-

“SCHOOL DIARY OR LOG BOOK.

“In every school receiving annual grants, the managers must provide out of the school funds, besides registers of attendance (Article 17h),-

- (a) A diary or log-book
- (b) A portfolio to contain official letters which should be numbered (1, 2, 3, etc) in the order of their receipt.

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

“The principal teacher must make at least once a week in the log-book an entry which will specify ordinary progress, and other facts concerning the school or its teachers, such as the dates of withdrawals, commencements of duty, cautions, illness, etc., which may require to be referred to at a future time, or may otherwise deserve to be recorded.

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

“No entry once made in the log-book may be removed or altered otherwise than by a subsequent entry.

“The summary of the inspector’s report, and any remarks made upon it by the Education Department, when communicated to the managers, must be copied verbatim into the log-book, with the names and standing (certificated teacher of the ----- class, or pupil-teacher of the ---- year, or assistant teacher) of all teachers to be continued on, or added to, or withdrawn from, the school staff, according to the decision of the Education Department upon the inspector’s report. The correspondent of the managers must sign this entry, which settles the school staff for the year.

“The inspector will call for the log-book at every visit, and will report whether it appears to have been properly kept. He will specially refer to the entry made pursuant to Article 39, and he will require to see entries accounting for any subsequent change in the school staff.”

Accommodation:- 105 mixed

460 School number

ft. in

Measurement of School Length	45-6
Breadth	17-6
Height	20-0

Infts. Room	Length	15-4
	Breadth	17-6
	Height	20-0

J. Bonner Chambers Reg.d No. 5665

Date of entering duties. Date of leaving
12 December 1910

Miss Annie Burgain
" Henrietta Burgain

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WILLIAM HARRADON, Schoolmaster
ex. P.T. at STOKENHAM

- 1877 July 9th School opened but without
a single attendance.
- 10th Call of Mr. Wm. Bucknell to fit
the inkwells into the desks. Two
children attend to day.
- 12th Call of Mr. L. Pitts of Muckwell
and of Mr. Pitts Chillington to see
the school.
- 16th Ten new scholars make their
appearance but most of them very
backward, scarcely knowing any-
thing.
- 17th An addition of five more scholars.
- 27th Call of Mr. L. Pitts to examine the
work done by Mr. Bucknell.
- August 2nd Gave children holiday to attend
a regatta at Torcross
- 7th Very wet day only about a dozen
children present.
- 10th Call of Mr. Hurrell of Widdicombe to
inspect the desks etc. made by Mr. Bucknell.
Complained to the former about the
water as not a drop is to be had to

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- 1877 drink. The water from the pump
is very dirty especially after a heavy
fall of rain.
- August 13th Call of Mr. Wm. Bucknell with two
new blackboards.
- 17th Very small attendance. Broke up
this evening for a fortnight for harvest
holidays.
- Sept. 3rd School reopened with very small
attendance. The weather having been
very inclement during the vacation
the harvest is not over consequently
many children are from school
gleaning. Miss Mingo from Hallsands
has come to assist in teaching.
Call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen (for
the first time since the school has been
opened) with the Rev.d Lamplugh and
Dr. Clarke. The former finds fault without cause.
- 4th The number of children increased a

little, eight scholars from Hallsands admitted this morning.

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1877

Sept. 6

Same number of children present. Commenced school half an hour earlier than usual in order to leave at 3.30 to join some friends at the Start Point.

7th

Call of the Rev.d A. B. Lamplugh and of Mr. & Mrs. Lavers.

10th

School greatly increased. More than fifty children present.

17 to 21st

About fifty children present all very backward in their work and will require a deal of labor in order to fulfil the requirements of the code.

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Call of the Rev.d A. B. Lamplugh. A great number of absentees owing to a great catch of pilchards at Hallsands. Parents require the children during their absence to "mind" the house.

25th to 28th

Call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen on Tuesday who examined the children in reading. Very fair attendance.

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1877

Oct.r 1st to 5th

The children seem to begin to take an interest in their work and are progressing fairly in Reading and Writing but are very dull at arithmetic. Good attendance during the week.

8th

to

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Visit of Mr. L. Pitts. Many children absent during the latter part of the week. Routine as usual. Weather very stormy, consequently many absentees.

16th

Harvest Thanksgiving and opening of the new organ at Stokenham Church therefore the school was closed on Tuesday.

17th to 19

Very fair attendance. Gave the children a caution not to enter the orchards on their way to school.

22nd to 26th

Weather rough and wet, several children absent with colds.

29th

Still very stormy only a few children present.

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1877 Oct 30 th to Novr. 2 nd	Storm continues to rage during the whole week. Sent after the absentees.
4 th to 9 th	In spite of the weather many children returned this week. The attendance very fair during the first part of the week, but on Friday the weather was so rough that it was impossible for those who lived at any distance to come.
12 th to 16 th	Weather still rough but a very fair attendance. The children in the two upper classes are making rapid progress but the smaller children still remain in backwardness in spite of every effort to teach them.
19 th to 23 rd	Routine and progress similar to last week. Call of the Rev.d Cornish of Sherford on Friday.
26 th to 30 th	Weather dry and cold. Attendance good.
Dec.r 3 rd	Timothy Wood's school broken up. A few of his scholars admitted to day.
4 th	Call of Mr. Hurrel and Mr. Edwards to examine the pump as no water.

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1877 Dec.r 4 th to 7 th	can be obtained. Very fair attendance during the week.
10 th to 14 th	Very fair attendance. Routine & progress as usual. Sent for absentees on Friday evening.
17 th to 21 st	Several scholars returned this week and a good deal of work done during the week. Broke up on Friday for Christmas holidays. Took fare-well of the children as it would be the last time I should have the opportunity as I go to Exeter College early in January (Died May 10 th 18870 c.c.
1878 January 1 st	School reopened with good attendance. The weather having been very mild for the season of the year. Miss Louise Mingo from Hallsands has come to assist in teaching.
4 th	Very fair attendance during the week.
7	The Attendance very fair the first part of the week. A few children from Beesands Call of the Rev. A. B. Lamplugh

11th on Thursday who examined the children in reading.
Weather very cold.

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1878 Jany. 14 Admitted to day several children from Beesands very backward. Call of Mr. Wm. Bucknell, with A Table for class room.
18 Some children absent with colds. Routine and progress similar to last week.
21st to 25th The attendance very fair during the first part of week but on Thursday the weather was so rough, that it was impossible for those who lived at any distance to come.
28th to 31st Very small attendance during the week. Call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen with the Rev.d Lamplugh. on Wednesday. Sent for absentees on Friday evening
Febry 4th to 8th Several scholars returned this week a good number of them still very backward.
11th to 15th Very fair attendance for the first part of the week.

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18th to 22nd Very fair attendance this morning. The weather continues very mild. Some children are still absent with colds. Routine & progress as usual.
25th to 29 Very small attendance this morning. Weather still dry, but on Wensday It was so set that it was impossible for many to come who lived at any distance.
March 4th to 8th A good number of children present this morning, the weather being very fine during the week.
11th to 15 Very fair attendance. Several children still absent with colds. Sent after absentees on Friday evening.
18th to 22nd Very small attendance during the week.
25th to 29 Very fair attendance. Routine and progress as usual.
March 4th to 8th A good number of children present this morning, the weather being very fine during the week.
11th to 15 Very fair attendance. Several children still absent with colds. Sent after absentees on Friday evening.
18th to 22nd Very small attendance during the

25th to 29 week.
Very fair attendance. Routine
and progress as usual.
April 1st to 5 The weather continues very cold and
windy a very small number of
children this week.

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April 8 to 12th Weather rough and wet several
children still absent with colds.
15th to 18 Call of Mr. Edwards. A good number
of children present. Sent for
absentees on Thursday evening.
22nd to 26th A few children returned this week.
Call of the Rev.d A. B. Lamplugh who
examined the children in reading.
29th to May 3rd Very fair attendance this week.
Call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen on
Monday who examined the children.
May 6 to Very good attendance this morning.
May 9th Read & approved
Edward Burrows H.M.I.

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May 13 to 17th Very small attendance to day the
weather being so wet. It is impossible
for those who live at any
distance to come.
20th to 24th Weather still very wet & stormy but
in spite of weather there are a
good number of children present
during the week.
27th to 31st Very fair attendance but still a
good many absent. Sent for absentees
on Friday evening.
June 3rd to 7 A few children returned this week
but still a good many absent
Call of the Rev.d J. C. Carwithen on
Friday evening.
10th to 14th Weather very fine this morning only
a few children present. Commenced
school an hour earlier than usual in order
to leave at 3 to join some friends
17th to 21st Very fair attendance during
the week.

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24th June 1878 Took charge of this school
Charles Mr.Cory
Holiday for the week by order
of Rev. J. C. Carwithen Chairman
of School Board.

July 1st to 5th Find the children very backward
no child in the school able to read
a number as high as tens of thousands
and many in the 1st Std. unable to do
Infants work. Timepiece, Books, Slates,
Copy, & many other things wanted.

July 3rd Visited by Rev. J. C. Carwithen who in-
spected premises etc.
Louisa Mingo has assisted with the
Infants. The writing in all the Classes
is very poor, with a few exceptions,
too small a good deal.
The boys are rough & uncouth,
really seem as if bent on destroying
whatever is in the reach, broken
down some of the partition wall in
the boys offices, broken into an adjoining
orchard & stolen apples, for which they

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have been punished on their hands
with cane. One week's work done.
satisfactory to Teacher.

Average for week 60.6

July 12th Fair attendance this week
some of the boys trespassed on
ground belonging to Mr. Parrott
who came to the School and com-
plained of them; were forgiven on their
confessing the wrong & asking Pardon.
School material wanted badly.

July 15th
19th Visited by Rev. J. C. Carwithen & young lady.
Gave half holiday on Thursday to attend a
Bazaar at Stokenham Vicarage. Progress
fair this week. Slates etc. not supplied yet.
Help wanted in larger room to enable
Head Teacher to get on Infants etc.

26th Fair attendance this week.
two children played truant on Thursday.

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July 2nd Not a very good attendance this
week on account of Torcross Regatta.
Harvest Holidays three weeks.

Aug. 26th Resumed duties, very few children
in school. Harvest being late & wet,
ordinary progress.

Sept. 6 Better attendance this week. The
2nd Std. Girls getting on very well with
their writing & sums but the 1st Std.
are backward in everything – as well
as the Infants. Another B. Board

wanted badly. Chairs, Soap, Towels, Copys
Reading & Writing Sheets.
Rev.d parcel of books & 1 doz Slates.
Averages for the last quarter 56.
“ 9th 67 children this morning.
Teachers' inkstand & bell wanted.
Pump & sundry things want repairing.

“ 13th Several children still absent, employed
by the parents in various ways.
Singing this week hard. Sums and needlewk
very fair, punished some for being late.

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Sep 13th.

Isaac Thuel uses very profane language
during class, is a great trouble to the
Teacher, and his conduct is demoral-
ising to the School. Should have brought
the case before the S. Board but there
was no meeting last Monday.
Rec.d ??? of books & slates ordered for
the School. A most offensive smell from
one of the large ventilators in the floor.
“ 20th Very fair progress this week.
Average 64

“ 27th Foul air very bad at times from
one of the ventilators, brought under
notice of School Board.
Good attendance this week, very
fair progress. Average for week 67
Visited by Rev.d J. C. Carwithen
and Mrs. Carwithen.

Oct.r 4th Several children late this week, admitted two
1st Class doing well. Draught from broken
window very bad letting in rain too.
Average 71

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Oct.r 7th

75 children in attendance to-day –
children's books wanted, two children
admitted. Kate Deacon & Charles Stone.
Upwards of 50 children in this district
not in attendance at a certified school.

“ 11th Object to remove the desks to end
of schoolroom, some part of week owing
to the rain driving through broken window.
A sashcord broke six months ago
and in stormy weather one might as
well be out of doors on account of the cold.

14th Admitted two children to-day.
15th Visited by two Members of School Board

Mr. L. Pitts & Mr. Hurrell remained over an hour examined work & heard children sing, children from Hallsands & others late this morning, some of the elder boys ordered to go to Stokenham School by Mr. Pitts. Ordinary progress. Visited by the Vicar who brought remainder of slates.

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1878

Oct. r 20th

Bibles, slate-pencils and a Timepiece.

“ 25th

Stormy some days, some of the children wet through had to go home to change their clothes and being without coats do not feel satisfied to keep them shivering here. I consider the draught from the window, which is bound to be open in all weathers on account of the broken sashcord, as well as from the large broken pane, to be most injurious to children & Teacher.

Nov. r 1st

One Ton coals delivered, several children sick. Ordinary progress, closets want cleansing – no water on the premises “Childs’ Books” wanted, Yearly Audit. Books found correct.

“ 8th

Very stormy, several absent thro the weather, several sick. The air from the ventilator nearest the door most offensive, quite as strong as an escape of gas. Arithmetic good

17 1878

Nov. 8th

in 1st Class. Fair in 2 & 3 Classes, with some exceptions. Reading in lower division most unsatisfactory. Infants doing fairly – another desk wanted & Black Board supplied. One boy entered Philip Prettyjohn has bad feet. Stokenham is found to be too far for him to walk.

15th

Ordinary progress. Kept in some for coming late on Wednesday, several children sick.

22nd

Window mended. Some girls come to school untidy, complained of it Deacons & Stones. Progress satisfactory.

26th

Spoke to Jessie Wright as to coming to school while her elder brother is at home with an infectious disease.

The mother came in the afternoon and said she would not let them attend any more. I had been advised in the case previously by Rev.d J. C. Carwithen.

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Nov 29th

Very cold in Class Room no fireplace. No water in Pump, many children sick. Another Blackboard supplied by Mr. Clements. Ordinary progress.

Dec.r 6th

Many children absent through sickness. Arithmetic good in 1st Class. Lower division of Std. I very stupid. Needlework improving.

13th

Hallsands children late this morning. Ordinary progress this week.

20th

Ten children absent of the 3rd Class sick never had to send home so many children sick before, small attendance, roads very slippery and dangerous, broke up for a fortnight for Christmas Vacation.

Jan 6th 1879

School reopened, small attendance.

7th

Roof lets in the rain over the chimney very wet to-day, parents had to fetch the children. Many sick.

10th

Kept in two girls for carelessness. Room very cold, children very troublesome

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Janry 1879

17th

Very small school still owing to so many children having bad feet and skin diseases on looking them up and asking if they have tried any remedies find they have not, but just let it go on till it dies out.

24th

Better attendance this week Supplied the classes with new Copys & Arithmetic books, for which they pay. Learnt new Round & Song. Work this week satisfactory. Holiday on Thursday. Teacher changed houses. Weather very trying for the Infants who all come over a mile and sometimes make the older girls late mornings to get them along.

25th

Took Registers to Kingsbridge. Also Fees Book; found correct by the Clerk to the Board J. H. Square Paid School Fees for two Quarters to Treasurer £6.

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Jan 1879
31st

Small school owing to weather & sickness.
Mora Guest left to reside at Churchstowe
the only girl in III standard mean to
present two I std. girls to save reduction
of Grant. Usual progress.

Feb 3rd to

Only 45 in attendance this morning.
Progress for the week Fair.
Average Attendance 43

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13th
14th

Very wet weather, poor children
wet through sometimes only 15
attendances Thursday forenoon.
Only 9 children came in proper time
this morning. Cautioned them as to
consequences in future. Mary Jane Lym
is in the habit of stealing other chil-
dren's food, took away part of H. Steer's
dinner today. After talking to her
set her on a form for some time.
as a punishment. Weal in intellect
but very crafty and deceitful.

21st

Sent after absentees, various excuses
for non attendance. No boots – no dinner etc.

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Feb 24th

Visit without notice.
Satisfactory.
The state of the Log book does not
satisfy the Code since the last
Report has not been entered.
Edward Burrows H.M.I.

Copy of Government Report.
rec.d by Teacher Feb.r 21st 1879

“Good and efficient premises
have been provided, and,
when a qualified Teacher
has been provided, it is likely
that the zealous efforts of
the Board to carry out the
requirements of the education
Act in this very remote place
will meet with success.
There is urgent need to
provide a Certificated Teacher.

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At present the attainments
of the children are very

backward on account of the incapacity of the present Teacher who is not qualified to have charge of a school in receipt of annual grants.

Some little sewing and reading has been taught, but there is complete Ignorance of Arithmetic and the Infants do not seem to receive any proper instruction. Many of the children are clean and well behaved, and seem anxious to learn. The additions to the apparatus, the need of which was mentioned at the Inspection should be made.

Signed C. Cory Schoolmistress
of Huccombe School 24th Feb.y 79
Louisa Mingo Monitress
J. C. Carwithen – Vicar.

23 1879

25 Feb
26th

Several children late to-day.
Ash Wednesday. No Registers marked, took the elder children to Church. Mr. Skinner been abt. the pump.

27th

Children very good at lessons several absent = rained in the morning, has been very cold in Infants room to-day – Great fuss with In. Annie Stone cries at being given any lesson whatever, ready enough to smile when word to stop lessons is given; find Home training is at the bottom of it.
Sent returns to Correspondent as to children at School in 78, ages and attendances etc. as per Summary.

March 6th

Mary Elizth Stone gone to Service 14 years.

7th

Ordinary progress this week.

14th

Annie Mitchel gone to service.
Children improving in every way.
Sent for Absentees.

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1879

March 21st
22nd

Sarah Lynn gone to service.
Jessie Wright readmitted; several will have to be presented in Column (7a) I fear. With a few exceptions, chiefly com-

28th pulsory cases – the attendances are anything but satisfactory. Progress Satisfactory. Boy's offices repaired, not injured since I took charge. The children will now compare favourably with other schools, as regards care of apparatus and general conduct. Some children returned to school after long illness.

April 1st Visited by Rev.d J. C. Carwithen & Mr. George. to Premises inspected & a door wants fixing to the wood-house.

4th Improved attendance, six boys late this morning – went birdnesting –

10th Edith Stone gone over seven this week. Specimens of work to be sent to the Kingsbridge Knitting & Sewing Prize Association.

Easter week. Vacation Monday & Tuesday very stormy.

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1879

April 21st

Good attendance to-day but many came after registers were closed. One of the most advanced Infants at Torquay. Attendances full – have spoken to the parents several times about her & the Mother promised to get her back by the Examination, but has failed to do so.

25th to Progress fair this week, with exceptions, several children sick.

30th to School Year ended. Examination fixed for 6th May. Children looking forward to it. Harriett Dean got a Prize at the Kingsbridge Sewing & Knitting Association.

May 2nd Schoolrooms scrubbed & Blinds put up by Andrew Quick.

5th Children getting anxious to make the School look cheerful.

6th School examined by H.M.I. E. Burrows Esq.

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May 9th

Another School Year commenced. Average for week 61 two desks wanted & books for Infants.

16th Attended School Board Meeting Yesterday. Rec.d Duplicate Schedule. Changed the classes today, another desk wanted. There are at present 35 children in Standard I. 19th in Stand. II. 14 in Std. III. 2 in Std. IV. 70 in all with desk accommodation for 56. A Map of the World is wanted

badly to help the children to understand their Reading Lessons. Third & fourth Standards especially. Third Standard getting on well with their Arithmetic. The diligence & good influence of this class stand in good stead of a Monitor.

“ 23rd

Average for the week 65. Progress this week very satisfactory. Average over 68. Mrs. Carwithen has sent some fine needlework to be done, Several children attending irregularly.

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1879

May 30th

Attendance not so good this week weather stormy & several children sick. 1st Standard need careful teaching, several of the girls very young. Four Infants at present, 2nd Standard getting on very nicely. Learning a new round “Three Blind Mice.” Also an Anthem after evening dismissal. XXIII Psalm. Weekly Average 55.

June 6th
to

Small attendance this week. Average 43. Admitted 2 children. Christopher Dunnance & Susan Thuel Progress for week good.

“ 13th

Very good attendance this week. Average 74. Progress Satisfactory.

“ 16th to
20th

Reported absentees to Attendance Officer.

Very wet to-day, small attendance. better towards end of the week.

Routine as usual. Average for week 61. Three or four of the 1st Class Girls to be left off Registers.

26th

The road between the Farmcourt and the entrance to the School is in a bad state. The water

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has broken into the playground through the wall in consequence flooding it with mud and water and settling down at the south wall. Very wet, several absent.

Average 66

July 4th

School routine as usual, ordinary progress – call of Mr. L. Pitts Member of School Board and Mr. Horton one of the Poor Law Guardians, passed some time in School, much pleased with the work & progress.

“ 11th

No School attendance on Monday. Gave children the Holiday allowed by H. M. Inspector

Weekly Average 71.
Received Government Report

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1879
July 11th

Copy of Government Report.

Marked improvement has been effected during the past year. The Children are remarkably neat and clean and have certainly made progress in brightness and intelligence. The general tone of the discipline is kindly and encouraging. Many girls deserve praise for Needlework. The attainments of the second Standard are satisfactory, and much of the Reading of the younger Children. The first Standard is at present deficient in Writing and Arithmetic. The Infants are by no means well taught; better method and more energy are needed in the Class-room.

Charlotte Cory Schoolmistress
Louisa Mingo Monitress
Signed. J. C. Carwithen

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“ 14th

Another desk wanted badly for first Standard. About eleven children attending little more than half-time; complained to the School Board, at their last meeting; reported the same to-day. Second and third Standard work satisfactory. Infants improving – obliged to read out of Standard I Reading Book = for want of Primers. The new first Standard are very backward, especially the Children who attend so irregularly. H. Loggin & E. Lynn worst.

“ 17th

Attended S. Board Meeting. A Desk promised and absentees looked after. Rev.d J. C. Carwithen signified that the School Board were pleased with my services during the past year and with the results of the Examination.

“ 18th

School work this week satisfactory.

“ 21st to 25th

Weekly Average 63.
Began the week with seventy-three in attendance. Rec.d Insp. by Mr. Mingo. and two quires of Paper from Mr. Taylor. Well satisfied with week's work.

Augst. 1st

All the Classes have worked well. Standard I improving, Infants too getting on much better. Weekly Average 67.

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1879
Aug 1st

Rece.d of School Board two Maps

Eastern & Western Hemispheres
 6 Rough Readers. Std. IV & 24 Primers
 also 2 quires of Foolscap.
 “ 6th to No attendances, children at Hallsands
 Sunday School Treat. Another desk
 supplied by Mr. Bucknal
 also Royal Primers for Infants
 and two pkts. of Arithmetical
 “ 8th Cards for Standards III & IV.
 Ordinary routine. Needles and
 Slate pencils wanted. Pencils
 ordered three months ago.
 “ 15th Had to borrow a box of pencils.
 Had to complain of untidiness in
 some of the scholars this week.
 Fred Trout, James Downing and
 Clara Hutchings. Several late
 this week. The mothers employed
 in fishing. Ordinary progress - Average 59.
 “ 22nd
 27th Work fairly done this week.
 Weather very stormy part of the week
 Broken up for the Harvest vacation.

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1879

26th Sept.

Poor attendance this week – most
 of the elder boys engaged in the
 Harvest fields. Average 55.

3rd Oct.r

Attended A School Board Meeting this
 week to ask the attention of the School Board
 to the G. Report respecting the Infants etc.
 Louisa Mingo being over eighteen years of age
 should be qualified to satisfy H.M. Inspector
 for her fitness for her duties. My duties are
 trying our sewing days, for want of a Monitress.
 The 1st Standard boys being so poorly grounded.

10th “

Better attendance this week – Average 67.
 Several boys absent this week employed
 in potato fields. Ordinary progress.
 Average for the week 66.

15 “

Sent School Fees Book & Stock & Store
 Book to Kingsbridge for the Audit.
 Average for the quarter 64.

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Several children poorly, lighted one fire –
 all the classes doing their best.
 Fred Trout should be looked up
 & S. Thuel Fred. Edmonds & J. Trout.
 Ordinary progress.

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1879

Oct.r 24

Several children sick from
 mumps & ringworm – teacher
 caught ringworm. Average for
 the week 58

- Very fair week's work in all the classes.
- " 31 Taken the Infants, who will be over 6 next April into the large room; sharp little fellows, some of them & do Standard I work. Some five or six children in Standard I very dull – 2nd Standard doing good work generally. George Mills and Emma Stone spell very badly.
- Nov. 7th School worked satisfactorily this week. Average 66
- " 14th Standard III learning Compound Long Division & Compound Multiplication. Average this week 69.
- " 21 Hard work for one teacher sewing
- 34**
1879
21st Nov. days. A Monitress wanted badly. Average this week 73.
- 24th to Very dark indeed this afternoon at half past two. Girls working for the Poor, Shirt making, from Mrs. Carwithen. Attendance not so good this week, children suffering from colds & chilblains. Average 64.
- 28th
Dec.r 5th Weather severe. Attendance reduced this week to 57. Several children sick in school daily. Clara Dunn, Kath Dunn Clara Charles, Rhoda Steer, Emma Stone, Samuel Thuel
- " 8th to 12 Improved attendance. School fees very irregularly paid – quite half – the children came without to-day. Average this week 69.
- 19th Fair progress. Close school today for Xmas vacation, by order of the School Board.
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1880
Jan 5th to School reopened, many of the scholars have the measles, children seem to be out of health, several taken sick in school. A kettle would be acceptable to warm a little water for delicate children, before sending them to their homes when taken ill at school.
- " 9th
" 15th Children still absent through sickness, class room too cold to be used –

there should be a fireplace of
some sort the offices too require
attending to. Promised to be cleaned
out last Summer – but never done.
Coals delivered by G. Hanaford.
Fanny Hutchings 4th Standard girl
free of Bye laws being 12 years of age
has asked to be engaged as Monitress,
is a diligent & steady girl – her
conduct has been most satisfactory.
Children knitting for exam. Infants
getting on nicely. Singing excepted.
Very poor attendance today.

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1880

Jan 19th to

Weather very cold, many of the elder
children ill of measles – two have re-
covered & are at school. The room
is very cold. "School Songs" all learnt.
Infants'; writing reading spelling &
sums very satisfactory (The Sixes)
Premises infested by rats – broken thro. the
wall & walk about the room before I
leave in the evening; have seen 3 on the
floor at once

" 23rd

" 30th

Very small attendance; measles
very prevalent.

Feb.y 6th

Teacher never had such an expe-
rience of sickness in school before.
Children vomiting in school daily,
sickening for measles, have to send
them to their homes, although they
can walk with difficulty. Two have
died, Susan Thrush & Sarah J. Wills,
Average for week 21.

" 9th

Went to see the Chairman of
the School Board to know whether
the school should not be closed.

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1880

Febr. 11th to

for a week or two, while the epidemic
is so bad, but he objected, 9 children
in attendance Ash-Wednesday. 17 children in
school. One boy came who is recovering
has one of his eyes drawn to the right
side the effects of the disease – had a
relapse to-day. Just seen the mother
of two of the scholars, on her way to the
doctor, she gives a saddening
account of the condition of the
poor little sufferers, from her de-
scription many of them have the Fever
as well, only 13 at school this afternoon.

- “ 13th Average this week 12, two children at school who should be at home. Emma Hutchings & Blanche Dimond.
- “ 17th This school closed by order of the sanitary authorities of the district.
- March 22nd Reopened to-day with 30 children in attendance. Give weeks; lessons lost! and six scholars have died of measles.

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1880

Ladyday

- Several absent who can barely make their attendances – must be kept looked after. Potato planting the reason assigned.
- Progress fair – Average 40
- March 29th Monday, admitted one child. 65 in attendance, Received Forms from E. D. filled form 8 & posted it.
- April 2nd Progress satisfactory. Average this week 60.
- “ 9th Samuel Thuel paid for by the Guardians 1st time this week. Three scholars left – changed residence. Made their attendances average 66
- “ 16th Ordinary progress. Average 61.
- “ 23rd Reported several children who attend irregularly, some of them have failed to make the 250 attendances. Two III Std. Girls gone to service – 11 years old both. The School Board have instructed the Clerk to communicate with the employers.

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1880

April 26th

- Work this week very fair.
- Clara Clark & Sarah Crocker are attending school again at the request of the School Board.
- Fred Edmonds living a few yards from the school has failed to make his attendances; his sister last year was in the same case – he also took 3 boys off with him in the dinner hour & who were not in school when the Registers were marked losing 5 attendances. Average this week 62.
- “ 28th Peter Mingo came to-day as his Sister was ill. Rec'd. from Mr. Taylor box of pens. 2 doz. penholders, 25 needles.!

“ 29th
“ 30th Had no notice as yet as to Exam.
Hear by Mr. Lavers 3rd June is fixed,
hours not known. Nearly a dozen
children attending Timothy Wood's who
ought to be here, some about 8 years
old and he frequently drunk!
School year ended. Yearly average 60.
About 800 attendances more this year than in the
last notwithstanding the epidemic.

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1880

May 3rd to
“ 7th

The school fees are paid very irreg-
ularly. Three children sent home ill.
Fred Clarke had a bad rash all over him.
Edith Stone & Martha seem to be having
Hooping cough Average for week 69.
Examined the Registers & found
them to be correct –the children
clean & neat J. C. C.

May 10th

Visited by the Chairman of the School
Board & Mrs. Carwithen who examined
the Needlework & Knitting.

“ 11th

Readmitted Henry Prettyjohn
after marking Registers.

to 14th

Some in Standard I backward
thro irregular attendance
& sickness.

to 21st

Poor attendance this week.
children at Beesands Beech
and several are sick.

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1880

May 26th

Rec.d jar or milk from Mr. Taylor
per Lynn also 50 cards from Parkhouse
for Exam.

June 2nd

1880

Read & approved
Edward Burrows H.M.I.

“ 4th

School examined this week.
Holiday at request of the Inspector.

to 11th

Ordinary routine. Average 68.
Christopher Dunnaway left.

18th

Received Duplicate Schedule – some
failed who do their work well at
other times. Attendance fair – A.A. 64

“ 25th

Mrs. Loggin Approved by H. M. Inspector

Mr. Burrows, has been engaged by the School Board to succeed Miss Mingo Article (32) Work this week fair.

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1880

July 2nd

“ 9th

Admitted two children this week. Several children absent. A. A. 6;3 Had to find fault with some for untidiness this week. Several boys left to go to Stokenham. - admitted 4 children this week. A.A. 64.

“ 16th

Work this week very fairly done. A. A. 61

“ 23rd

Several children poorly. Visited by the Misses Pitts. Average this week 62.

45 /80

Aug 4th

Copy of Report

“The children deserve much praise for cleanliness, good manners and obedience. Very fair progress has been made in Needlework, Singing and Reading in spite of much sickness. To this cause may be partly attributed the fact that Arithmetic is not yet satisfactory.”

My Lords have upon this occasion allowed payment for scholars presented under Article 20(a) 1 in Standards below that prescribed by the Bye Laws for partial exemption from School attendance.

Henceforth however payments under this Article will be made in accordance with the enclosed memorandum.

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1880

The Arithmetic of this School requires careful attention. Signed

Charlotte Cory Mistress

Asst. Article 32.

J. C. Carwithen Chairman

Aug 6th to

School closed for Harvest Holidays.

“ 30th to
Sep 3rd

Resumed work small attendance
of the elder children as usual
the first week after Vacation
at this season. Monitor wanted.

“ 11th

Better attendance this week.
Visited by Mrs. Pitts & family.
Sequel to Standard I Reading book
in bad condition, some boys
gone to Stokenham School
Sent Fees Book to Kingsbridge.

“ 17th

School Fees paid very irregular-
ly. Had orders from School Board
to send defaulters home for
their “Pennies.”

47/80
Sep 24th

Attended School Board meeting
Asked a Monitor of the Board
and was granted most readily.
Admitted several children –
so backward! from Miss Buckland's
school – Kellaton – Thirza
Powsland who might have
been thro' all the standards
could not enumerate the
2nd Standard Arithmetic
on the Black-board – but
read it as Three, six, nine
nought, eight.
Blotting paper wanted. Map of
Devon promised by School Board
92 children on Registers.
Quite a nice little Infant class
now

“ 27th to

Admitted 4 children to-day
one boy very near sighted.
School doing fairly.

Oct.r 1st

Ordinary routing. A. A. 81

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Sep.r
Oct.r 1st

Harvest Thanksgiving in the after-
noon. half holiday by order of the
Chairman of School Board Rev.d J. C. Carwithen
Lighted fire – so many of the children
have colds – A.A. 87

Oct.r 5th to

Sent home some children for School Fees.
Fred Clarke has not been at school since.
Many of the children have bad colds.
Learning new songs in both rooms.

8th

Ordinary progress. A. A. 81.

15th

School work fairly done this week.

A. A. 92 Highest as yet.

22nd Gave information to the School Board of several children who attend irregularly. A. A. this week 91.

29th Fair progress this week.

Nov. 5th to Made up Registers & find A. A. over 70 for the Half year.
Another desk would be a boon for Std. I 30 children to 3 desks but several into Std. II 6 places to one desk is full.

12th A. A., this week 83 – spite of wet w.

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1880

Nov 15th to Eighty-nine children in attendance to-day. Received Notice to attend a school Board Meeting on Thursday 18th inst. when salary has to be considered.

“ 19th

Very satisfactory this week.

26th Ordinary routine A. A. 84

29th to Absent in the morning by permission of the Vicar. A.A. 93 Highest yet.

Dec.r 3rd Good week's work. A. A. 83

“ 10th Some of the children sick, others kept at home to mind baby's while the mother is fishing.
Fireplace put in the Infants room.

17th Badly off for water – none upon the premises. A. A. 84

23rd Closed by order of the School Board for one week. A. A. 72
Resolution of School Board that my salary remain unchanged until the next Government Report be received.
The Board expressing their satisfaction

50 Jan 1881

at the state of the school under my management which cheers and helps very much indeed.
Mrs. Loggin spares no pains with the Infant Class, Fanny Hutchings Monitress is doing her best.
Carpenters have put the ceiling as ordered by School Board.

1881

Jan.y 3rd to Small attendance – wiser to have had a longer holiday. A. A. 57 only.
10th no wood to be got for lighting the fires, very cold too. Make hot tea & coffee for the children in the dinner-hour, thro' the winter. The Mistress

has supplied the Scholars with drinking water for over two years, also a tea kettle, now worn out, sundry pitchers as well & teapot, all come to grief. Children have contributed towards a new teakettle. It might not be out of place to remark that I never met with children who agreed so well with each other before.

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Janry.

or take correction in such a proper spirit. I keep no cane. A small rod, but more for its appearance than its usefulness in keeping order. Kept in two girls who came late, gave as an Imposition to write names of the months three times over. Thirza Gillard, one, paid for by Guardians knowing that the mother would have to go to Kingsbridge Union to get the Relief granted, if the absence be reported on the Card – had to complain so many times – & now kept another big girl waiting for her, came to school at 10.30 A.M.

“ 18th
“ 21st
28th
Feb 4th
“ 11th
18th

Severe snowstorm, no attendance
School closed.
No Attendance – roads impassable.
A. attendance this week 54.
Several children sick A.A. slightly improving.
Asked the S. Board for new reading books for Infants. & Standard I.

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1881

Feb.r 25th

At the end of 3rd quarter of school year only 50 children had made the required 250 attendances, 42 more still could – but the School Board meeting had to be postponed on account of snowy weather & so compulsion comes late for some – brought the matter before the S. Board.

March 4th

Looked up Absentees – many sick – some have bad feet from broken chilblains, others suffering from eruptions on head & face. Some of the youngest withdrawn for the winter – under five – the age at which the Bye-laws of district require attendance at school. A.A. 74.

“ 11th

At present the attendance is fair – all things considered – with some few exceptions. Some of the mothers called to see the school

at work. Stone, Crocker & M. Storm all very much pleased and satisfied that their children are well cared for. Crocker says her little one told her he should like Mrs. Cory for his Mother! Almost as good as increase of Salary

53 1881

March 4th to

“ 17

77 in attendance to-day. George Prettijohn comes again. Admitted Caroline Wright. Took Registers to Stokenham School Board Meeting. Board granted to have sequel to Stand 2. renewed & 12 Stand. I Readers.

“ 18th

A.A. to this time 74 ap to present 84 A.A. this week 74

“ 25th

April 1st

Short work satisfactory. A.A. 81 Stand.I Books renewed, Liquids. Also twelve for infants. Wood-house door hung wood supplied from Bean & Trant Visited by Mr. Horton Member of S. Board

“ 8th

Emma Louisa Gilland has not been at school for several months. Martha Edmond 5 years old – living but a few yards from school kept at home, because “Mother is washing”! These pretty little girls may be seen running about the lanes, just outside, any day in dry weather only one out in large family has even made 250 attendances & that but once – passed in Stand II. A.A., 73

“ 14th

Fair progress this week.

“ 22nd

School work satisfactory. A.A. 81

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April 28 to

“ 29th

Sent 24 pieces of work to the Kingsbridge Sewing & Knitting Assn. to compete for prizes. Took 15 of the scholars to the Vicarage for a little singing. Mrs. Carwithen having kindly offered to play a new song for them – they behaved very well on the occasion.

May 3rd

Much pleased with the appearance & cleanliness of the children. Found them improved in their singing. Distributed ten shillings & threepence as prizes given by the Kingsbridge Sewing & Knitting Association.

“ 6th

Visited by the Chairman of School Board and Mrs. Carwithen. The Vicar forgot to add his signature to the entry above. Fanny Hutchings Monitress gained a prize of 4/ M.A. Stone 2/ Hilda Morgan 2/ Emma Stone 1/6 for knitting and Florence Hutchings Inf. /9 from the Kingsbridge Knitting & Sewing Assn. Mrs. Logan's little girl has scarletina, spoke to the Chairman of S. Bd. & one of the members Mr. Horton as to proposing

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of her staying away from her duties for a
time for fear of infection which would
be most disastrous, at this time. Board
quite approve of the step. A.A.92

May 9th to 15th Entered two children. Frank Clarke & George Crock
Ordinary routine.

“ 20th Very good attendance – work satisfac-
tory. A.A. 92

“ 27th Children doing next year's work. A.A. 96

June 3rd Only received Form 9 etc. this week.
Fair Progress A.A. 92

“ 10th Attendance fallen off this week on account
of the “Fair” at Beesands & Hallsands.
A.A. 78

“ 15th to Some children sick
“ 17th School examined. A.A. 95

June 23
1881 Read & approved
Edward Burrows
Schedule returned. Classes changed.

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1881

July 1st Fair week's work done. A.A. 90

“ 9th One or two children left. A.A. 91

“ 15th Fair progress, some attaining very badly.
Fred Trout Anna Storm and Maud Rogers
Ordinary routine. Fair. A.A. 95

“ 29 Entered M. J. Dimond – Notice of S. B. Meeting
Aug 1st to for 5th inst.

“ 5th Fair work done this week.
Harvest holidays.

Sep 9th Resumed work, many absent.

“ 16 Ordinary progress. Heard Report read
at the Vicarage. The only two girls
who failed in sums in 3rd & fourth Stands.
have attended very irregularly.
Kate Dunn is over 12 & lost her mother.
Anna Stone has been to school 24½
since the exam. 10 years
old & passed into the 4th Std.
prospect of failure next year fair
in her case. The Report has been
sent off without being entered here.
Asked the Clerk for it & was told
I could not have it before the Audit.

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Sep.r was passed next month.

“ 23 Fair progress & good attendance

“ 30 A.A. this week 72.

Oct.r 7th Clare Steer attends very irregularly
 Also Fred Trout & Mary Prettijohns.
 Anna Stone never comes – gave
 information to Mr. Horton & the School
 Board. A.A. this week 81.
 Visited by Mr. Horton Member of the
 S. Board who examined the
 Arithmetic of 4th 3rd & 2nd Standards
 and expressed much satisfaction.
 The School Board asked Mr. Pitts
 also who lives near to watch the
 Subject at request of the Mistress.
 Table provided for Mistress' use. Mr. Bucknal
 supplied.

“ 14th to A.A. 50 Fair progress.
 “ 21 School Board; met at the Vicarage.
 Asked for new books & pencils &
 Copys. Complained of Absentees.
 Learning New Song.

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1881-82

Oct.r.27 Visit this week satisfactory to
 Teacher. A.A. 81

Nov. 4th Arithmetics receiving special attention.
 Offices should be cleansed but there
 is no water on the premises.

“ 11th Several children sick & some attend
 irregularly. A. A. 75.

“ 19th Books of Account Audited 17th inst.
 Found correct.

“ 25th Fair attendance, work satisfactory.

Dec 2nd to Children worked well this week.
 “ 9th Offices unsatisfactory. Attendance good
 for the season this mild weather will increase
 the number presented for examination.

“ 16th to No water, children's hands too dirty
 too handle books etc.

“ 23rd School closed for Xmas Vacation
 two weeks.

Jany. 9th 1882 Very fair attendance, work progressing.
 Children interested in Geography & Grammar.

“ 16th to Harmonium would be appreciated here,
 Fair A.A. work very good in all
 the classes this week.

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1882

Jan 20th to Offices cleaned – rooms scrubbed etc.
 As there is no water supply chloride of
 lime should be used.
 Chimneys to be swept. A.A. 79

“ 25th to
 Feby 5th
 “ 12th
 “ 17th
 “ 21st
 X

Looked thro' Registers final qualified by
 Attendances 97.
 Ordinary routine. Attendance good
 several children poorly, work fair.
 Coals wanted. New Registers ordered.
 Visited by the Vicar & Mrs. Carwithen.
 Kept in some who came late.

Copy of Report – Received 17th inst.

“The children are remarkably clean,
 orderly, and respectful, reading and
 spelling are very satisfactory. Arithmetic
 is still weak throughout. The Infants
 are well and carefully taught. Good
 progress has been made in needlework.”
 My Lords will expect a more favourable
 report in Arithmetic next year, as a
 condition of an unreduced Grant

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Article 32(b). A Login is recognised
 as qualified to serve under Article 32 (c). Schoolmistress.

J. C. Carwithen A. Login (32) F. Hutchings.
 Visited by Messieurs Pitts & Horton. who remained
 during this morning attendance, expressing
 much satisfaction with the work & order.
 They are also a committee appointed to get
 water supplied for use of the school.
 27th Feb. Held an examination to-day, one failed
 in Arithmetic in Std. I Charles Stork,
 All passed in Stds. II, III, IV & V
 March 5th Work & attendance very fair.
 Coals wanted & yards in a; bad state
 in wet weather.
 “ to 10th A. A. this week 84. copys wanted.
 “ 13th Very small attendance of 1st Class children.
 “ 17th Several children sick. Attendance & work
 satisfactory.
 “ 24th Several children absent. Maud. Roper
 scarcely comes two days in a week.
 Copys wanted. A. A. 86
 “ 27th Sash cord of south central window
 broken during the night. Sent to the

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1882

March 31st

carpenter Mr. Bucknall, to get it
 repaired. A. A. this week 91.
 Learning New Song “Sliding Song” Learnt
 the required numbers. Fires let out.
 Ordered ½ gross copys. Cox's from Mr. Taylor
 Kingsbridge.

April 3^d Several absentees this week, employed in potato planting. Relieving Officer visited & paid ???? from Board of Guardians 10/9. Gave 1/ to the children for sweets. A. A. 80

“ 10th Easter Monday. 49 children in school at 9.50. 37 came after that time. Matter for consideration of School Board if I keep delinquents in after school hours I get ill-will of the Parents.

“ 11th 58 in attendance at 9.50 to-day. Many came at 10.15

“ 15 Attended School Board Meeting. School-room to be whitewashes. A. A. 71

“ 17th Admitted 6 children.

to “ 21st Sent Needlework to Kingsbridge 28 pieces. A. A. 90

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April 24 Admitted Norman Bucknall. 99 in attendance.

“ 28th Last day of school year. 105 in attendance on Wednesday, Tuesday very wet few children able to come out. A. A. 83. Yearly average 84.68. School-room to be whitewashed to-morrow by order of School Board.

May 5th to 8th Received form IX Thursday. A. A. this week 94. Find about 59 in standards to be presented & 32 Infants.

“ 9th Visited by Chairman of the School Board Mrs. Carwithen & Mr. Horton – presented the Registers to them – found correct. Prizes paid to the successful ones – 103 in attendance.

May 10th
1882 Read & approved.
Edward H. Burrows H.M.I.

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1882

May 12th Changed Classes. A. A. 99

“ 15th Mrs. Logan absent in morning thro her little girl's illness. A. A. this week 87

to 19th good work done in all the classes. Marking & darning especially.

“ 26th A. A. 91 Work Fair.

June 2nd Book perch rec.d from Blackie & Co. for Stds. I. IV & V. Very small attendance this week.

“ 9th Admitted two children. A. A. 82
 “ 16th Ordinary progress
 to
 “ 23 Absent this week by permission of
 School Board, Alice Clements & T.T. kindly
 taking duty in Meantime. A.A. 73
 “ 30th Many children attending very irregularly,.
 This whole affair most unsatisfactory.
 I asked Mr. Lavers to examined Registers
 for himself, but he said he should
 not.
 July 21st Nothing special, working steadily. A. A. 84
 Torcross Regatta – school closed. open 7 times.
 Hallsands Sunday School Treat (afternoon) this week.

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1882

July 7th

A.A. this week 92 – elder girls
 attending badly.
 “ 14th Ordinary routine. Progress Fair. A.A. 84
 Copy of Government Report.
 “ 22nd “The results of instruction are fair,
 Arithmetic is better, but should still
 improve. The children have learnt
 habits of cleanliness and good manners,
 but Discipline should be firmer.
 Needlework on the whole is good.
 The Registers should be checked
 by the Board in accordance with
 the enclosed Circular (69)
 A Logan is continued under
 article 84, Code of 1882 See Form 17(a)c”

Signed J. C. Carwithen

Charlotte Cory – Schoolmistress
 Annie Login (a) 84
 Fanny Hutchings Monitress

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1882

July 28th

Many children absent, some failing to make
 half their times. Alice Stone made 50 out
 of possible 127. Have complained to
 School Board before Mr. Lavers served
 a notice to Parents the Mother sent word to
 the Board that she attended every day
 with the exception of one week, when
 her Grandmother died suddenly.
 Visited by Mr. Pitts & Mr. Horton.
 Aug 4th Visited by Mr. Horton on Thursday, who
 called over all Registers, and counted
 scholars in attendance

Signed Samuel T. Horton
Three new desks supplied by Mr. Bucknell
Mr. Brooking has been engaged by the
Board to bring water into the school
premises.
Attended School Board Meeting.
Fanny Hutchings' salary raised to 4/ per
week to commence at Midsummer last.
Mrs. Logans salary raised to £18.0.0
per annum from beginning of school year.

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1882 Aug 7

Mr. Lavers came & inspected
Registers 12.30 left a 1 o'clock –
one hour left for Teacher to walk
to her home & back, cook & eat
her dinner – very hot & sunny
weather. Home at Becton –
Holidays to be decided upon in future
by Messrs. Pitts & Horton – or either –
by wish of the S. Board.
Sent to Mr. Pitts & Horton, broke up
for three weeks. A. A. 86.2 for
the quarter. 83 much below last
year's average – same time of year.

Sep 4th to
9th

Resumed work, 71 children in attendance.
Examined the attendance
Register books & found them
correct.
Above entry made by Chairman of S. Board.
who visited the school with another
gentleman, name unknown to Teacher.
A. A. 69

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Sep 15th

Water brought into the School Yard
ordinary progress. Visited by Mr. Horton
who remained while 2nd Class did their Arithm.
most did their work well. A. A. 84
Many children not attending school at all
who are not free to be employed – not
satisfying the requirements of the Education
Act. Defaulters affecting the Class Grant
one half. Thirza Gillard – gone to service
with Mr. Cole Kernborough. Farmer
Anna Stone at home. Annie Stone
at home, passed last in Standard II
Eva Crooker too has not attended this
week, children say she is not coming
to school any more, failed in sums
last exam. Emily Downing also not
free – 5 girls just the number to save
the Class Grant. No steps taken to
enforce attendance since Mr. Lavers

examined Registers 7th Aug.
The two schools are acting as rivals &
the results are damaging to Huccombe
school for if Teacher complains the

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children are changed to the other school,
to loss of the Mistress, whose salary is
dependant on the G. Grant. Stones & Hutchings
4 children.

Sep 22nd Clocks want attention, ordinary routine.
A.A. this week 88.

“ 29th Attended a meeting of the School Board.
Asked for additional supply of Reading
Books, to meet requirements of New Code.
Order sent to Mr. Carwithen who has
promised to forward to Publishers.
Some Prints for Infts. Room wanted.
Granted by S. Board – Never had.
A. A. reduced to 66 this week. Many
absent on Wednesday afternoon to attend
a Harvest Thanksgiving. Orders given
to workmen to make the offices wholesome.
Sent ink jars to Mr. Taylor for ink.
Rec.d Pen, Carriers, Inks from Mr. Taylor.
Oct. 6th Closets altered & drains altered. The
yards levelled & beached. A. A. 89

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1882

Oct.r 6th Fanny Hutchings absent this afternoon
by order of Mr. Carwithen, to attend
a Confirmation Service.

“ 11th Received Notice from Diocesan Inspector
that Huccome School will be examined
26th inst. – two weeks hence.
The only Religious instruction provided
for the Time Table, approved by H. M. Inspector
and the School Board, is Holy Scripture
and the School Board, is Holy Scripture
have asked advice of School Board who
will enquire into the matter.

“ 13th Complaint made by Mr. Goodman
that some of the boys meddle with
his things on their way from school.
Harry Crocker stole a halter from
the premises and hit it in Mr. Pitts'
field, several of the children being
privy to it, the boy named went
home to his mother, who left her work
& brought him to school 11.30
Teacher enquired the reason Evan
Crocker had been absent from School

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so many weeks, she said that Mr. Lavers had visited her & after being told the girl failed in Arithmetic last year – in the 4th Standard said she had “passed” & the Relieving Officer had told her to get a place for her.
Ordinary progress. A. A. 89 same last week.

Oct.r 16th to
“ 20th
“ 27th

School closed, roads impassable from a flood. A.A. 69
Children very restless today whilst the Registers were being marked.
First Half of School Year ended.
A. A. this week 89 – very wet weather
“ “ for Quarter ending – 82.

Oct.r 3rd

Jane Stumbles stole a comforter from the porch last Thursday & took it home to her Mother, saying she found it.
The mother gave it to her husband to wear, on Wednesday Evening following, I happened to go into his house & saw it on his neck, when he told me Jane had said she found it - saying

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Oct.r 3rd

“children are children, and if she took it away give her the stick” and if it belongs to any of the scholars, they can have it – enquire if any one has lost it.” Next morning I found it belongs to Wilfred Mingo, whose Mother had sent to ask me to try to find it, I sent Jane Stumbles brother back to his Mother for it, but she did not let him bring it back and waylaid me on my way here in the afternoon and abused me very much, calling me a “Nasty stinking old vagabond” and much more that I omit – and telling me to “take it back myself” – keeping both children at home that afternoon.
The mother is notorious for such practices herself, and the children are being trained in lying and bad ways – her relations live close by the school and could endorse this entry. A. A. this week 81.

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Oct 10th

A. A. this week 85.
Some of the parents have been served with Notices, Maria Stone said that Mr. Lavers told her she could keep

Alice at home three days a week
Mr. Prettyjohn is angry because he has had a notice.
“ 17th Visited by the Chairman of S. Board who, objects to William Prettejohns being taught in the Class Room.
The boy has not been under instruction owing to his eyesight & lately had an operation performed for him at the eye infirmary, Plymouth, wears glasses all day long was being taught in the class room where the sheet lessons were being used, being unable to work with the older children. Mr. Pitts present at the time. A. A. this week 87.
Members of S. Board allowed me to leave before 4 in order to catch the coach.

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1882

Nov 24th

A. A. this week 78. Paper & Slate pencils wanted.

Dec 1st

A. A. 76,. Rec.d Pencils and Foolscap from Mr. Taylor, who sends no Invoice. Ordinary progress.

“ 8th

Historical Reading Books not got yet. Fair attendance, considering the weather.

“ 15th

Visited by Mr. Pitts, Class Room Flue had to be cleaned by H. Dunn Bickerton. All right since.

“ 21st to 22nd

Visited by Mrs. Prout who gave the children an orange apiece, (on) left $\frac{3}{4}$ with Teacher to get them 80 children being present.
The School Fees Book has been kept at Mr. Square's office the whole quarter & Teacher has had no notice of the yearly Audit.
Historical Readers received 2. doz. from Mr. Lavers.
Xmas vacation, two weeks.
Had Notice of Audit during holiday when from home too late to send in Shock & Stores Book

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one clear day before the Audit. No means of sending it in time.
Schoolroom scrubbed & everything thoroughly cleaned.

Jan.y 8th to 12th

Began work 56 children in attendance.
A. A. 54 Orders from School Board to get Locks etc.

for classroom.

“ 19th Backs left – also Stumbles – changed residence – same district. Arithmetic tested & standards unsatisfactory, two girls leaving M. Quick not attending 2 ½ days a week on average – will greatly affect Teacher’s salary this year – many children attending little better.

“ 26 Locks put on two doors & bolt to girls’ porch back of one desk repaired by Mr. Bucknell.

Jan 29th Entered two boys, George Stone and
Feb 5th to 9th Henry Patey, both afflicted, one from London, the other from the Plymouth Hospital, walks with a crutch – A.A. this week 80

“ 16 Several absent, ordinary progress.
“ 23 Many of the Inft. Class sick little boys getting on very well with sewing & are very pleased with their work.

75

March 2nd Absent this afternoon, thro my son’s insanity, having had to require help of 4 or five men to prevent his swimming into the sea in all probability. Mr. Pitts & Horton kindly coming to my help, & taking steps to get him put into the Asylum. This entry was not made until Wednesday owing to my terrible trouble. I was absent on Monday, by knowledge of S. Board, the day my son was taken away – the Authorities requiring my presence.

to March 7th

9th Ordinary progress
to 11th Water-pipe burst, with frost, supposed Children’s offices very offensive – no ventilation in either. A westerly wind drives the foul air into the Schoolroom. Mr. Horton spoke to the Architect about it who called to see the premises called his attention to it he said “set the children to throw down water.”

22nd Children worked very well this week.

76

March 27th Coals wanted. New registers & materials for Examination. Bessie Steer has been just half time last six weeks & others as well = but should teacher complain and the scholars be sent to the other school it would entail loss. Sent 15 pieces of work to the Kingsbridge K. & Sewing

Assn. The children at this school make their own garments for the Examination, such as are useful to themselves & would appear to disadvantage with the fine & elaborate materials provided by other schools for competition.

April 2

Visited by Chairman of School Board & Mrs. Carwithen, with another lady – Mr. Carwithen examined Log Book but not the Attendance Registers. observed that I had made no entry in Log Book that my own desk was not on the board where it usually stands, I find the board convenient to use for the Scripture Lesson, when the children's faces are turned towards the North. The School Board have five forms.

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April 2nd

standing against the South wall of the schoolroom, in no way affecting the accommodation of the scholars, being behind the desks. Mr. Carwithen said "they filed up the schoolroom." I said "It had nothing to do with me Sir," he remarked "all I want of you is proper answers to my questions." Registers tested by A. A. this week and Mr. Horton.

" 6th

" 13th

Children earned 3 prizes only at the K & Sewing Prize Assn.

A.A. this week 80. Admitted 2 children Ernest Steer & Samuel Dure – Infants.

" 16th

Admitted 4 children, Infants, Examined Registers found one mistake.

19th

Examined the Registers and found them correct.

April 19

3 p.m.

Examined registers and found them correct. W. L. Pitts Chive Chairman Examined closets recommend that Fanny Hutchings throw down say 12 pails of water every 2 days which I think will kept them in good condition.

W.L.P.

78

April 21st

A., A. this week 86. Copys ordered not received, wanted badly

" 25th

Received parcel from Mr. Taylor. Ex. Papers "March Songs" but no copys, Publisher's fault, Sent order to Mr. Marby again to-day for one gross. No specified.

27th

Ordinary progress

May 4th Received copies 2 doz short. those ordered
for Standard II. A. A. 95

“ 11th Very good attendance this week.
Received 2 dozen Primers from Nelson & Son.

14th Visited by the Chairman of School Board
& Mrs. Carwithen.

17th Examined the Registers &
found them correct J. C. Carwithen.
Present Mr. J. Helmer Mr. L.
Pitts, Mr. S. Horton – Children
present 103
Admitted 3 children.

79

May 18th/83 Absent by permission of S. Board.
Mrs. Login took charge. Received
Form IX today – admitted 2 children.

“ 21st Admitted Alice Deacon & Emma Black
to Received the copy books 3 ½ for Std. II
Left out of No. ordered per Mrs. Taylor
also 2 doz primers for Infants. New books
wanted for Upper Division of Infants
those in use at present are Standard I
Royal Readers. Infant room bare
of Apparatus in the way of Pictures.
A. A. this week 103.

“ 25th Visited by Mr. Burrows. Three members
29th of S. Board present

June 1st Examined by Mr. Chinnock
Asst. Inspector – present Mr. Pitts.
A. A. this week 103.

“ 8 A. A. 92 S. Horton & H. Prettejohn
left to go to Stokenham School

80

June 18th Alice Stone has attended 28 times out of
70 possible. E. A. Roper & Edna 2 ½ days
this week. Their father had a notice some
time since & attended the Board
meeting at Stokenham where he was
ordered out for his impudence.

22 to Ordinary progress
29th Average attendance 96.

July 6th Work satisfactory – pencils wanted
to A. A. 96
13th Ordered Primers from Moffatt & Paige.
Thursday 102 in attendance – highest yet.

“ 20th Rec.d Primers, eighteen and 6 boxes slate pencils.
A. A. 96wet several days.

“ 27th
Aug. 3rd

Bessie Quick has lost 27 attendances in 70 possible since Exam.
A. A. 100
Work satisfactory.
Visited by Mr. Holmer & Mr. Edwards.
Members of S. Board at 10.40
Mrs. Login absent with leave today.

Examined registers
found correct

William L. Pitts

81

1883
Aug 20th to
14th

A. A. this week 103.1
Call of the Vicar & his Curate who gave leave to close the school on Thursday as the other school will be used as a Polling place but this school not being affected by the other & the Harvest Vacation commencing in another week I think we had better go on as usual or half the children will stay away next week – the time appointed for closing by the S. Board at their last meeting – unless I thought fit to anticipate by the Harvest time. If we break up too soon the attendance suffers for the 3 weeks afterwards while the children are gleaning.

15th

Mrs. Cory detained on business 30 minutes this afternoon. School opened by Mrs. Login & the other teachers.

“

Signed A. Login F. Hutchings
Closed by order of the Chairman of S. Board. A. A. this week 99.1

82

1883
Sepr. 14th

Resumed duties after Harvest vacation small attendance – children gleaning.
A. A. 65

“ 21

Attendance improved. A. A. 96

“ 28

Mrs. Login absent on Monday & on Tuesday morning.
A. A. this week 96.

Oct.r 5th

Attended first meeting of the new School Board.
Hilda Burgain engaged as a Monitress.
Teacher's share of Government Gr. this year under the New Code £13-17-4 less than last year.
Average Attendance this week 98.9.
Mr. Horton complained of two boys, stealing apples in his orchard, Frank Crocker & Samuel Hatherley - & this morning a parent of one of the scholars came all the way

from Hallsands to complain of bad conduct of Sam.l. Stone & his brother Fred.k & Charley Stone. I fear that are badly trained, had to speak to Samuel Stone about the ragged state in which he comes to school. The mother sent an impertinent message about it – but the child is tidier since.

83

Oct.r 5th

Copy of Government Report

“Tone and Discipline are praiseworthy. The children are remarkably clean, and shew much interest in their work. Creditable progress has been made in Needlework. Knitting is good. Reading is very fair, but Spelling is imperfect and Arithmetic is bad. Sound improvement is absolutely necessary in this point.”

“The Infants are taught with remarkable care and success. Their needlework is good. Intelligence should be developed as much as possible.”

Signed J. C. Carwithen
C. Cory Schoolmistress

Annie Login Assistant
Fanny Hutchings Monitress
Hilda Burgain
Examined Registers & found correct
signed W. L. Pitts

84

Oct.r 12th

Visited by the Vicar & Mrs. Carwithen.
106 children present A. A. 104.

to

Admitted two children Ernest Steer
and Emily Wills – who is afflicted
with fits – 110 in attendance.

19th

Three boys broke the fender during the
dinner-hour. Frank Crocker, J. H. Steer
Samuel Hatherly & Ambrose Dimond.

Infants supplied with box of colour
& card of Geometrical forms &
blotting paper, from Mr. Taylor

26th

Examined registers and found
them correct W. L. Pitts

A. A. this week 98.

Visited by Mr. Pitts Member of S. Bd.

First half of school year ended.

A. A. for quarter 96.

Nov. 2nd

A.A. this week 99.1

Children knitting for examination work. Yearly Audit – School “Fees Book” & “Stock & Stores” sent to Kingsbridge. Received Materials from Mr. Pikes as invoice less the 1 ½ black yarn to be sent

85

- November 9th 1883 Held Exam. this week in Arithmetic. Half failed in Std. 1, 2 in Std. 2 all in 3rd & 4th Stds. passed – more in Std. 4 did every sum right. Tested by work in “The Governess” A. A. 104
- “ 16th Hilda Burgain changes classes with Fanny. A. A. 98. Work satisfactory.
- “ 23rd A. A. this week 99 children got bad colds.
- “ 30th Admitted 5 children this week.
- Dec.r 7th Ordinary routine, several sick.
“ 14 Several children have Hooping cough Mrs. Cory absent in the afternoon by permission of School Board.
- “ 21st Arthur Shepherd left.
- Jan.y 7th to 1884 11th Resumed work after Xmas. Holiday. A. A. 80
“ 18 A. A. 84 this week.
“ 25 Ordinary routine. A. A. 88

86

- Feb. 1st to 1884 A. A. 72 Hooping cough among the children.
- “ 5th Registers examined, correct. W. L. Pitts
“ 8th Good attendance. A. A. 101
“ 15th Wet weather. A. A. 96
Scarlet Fever broken out at Hallsands, Sam Stone (b) ill in it. Edith & Martha not allowed to come to school by Doctor Clarke's orders. Heard today that Clara Steer it ill in it, at school yesterday. Jane Stumbles has been readmitted here, does not know the letters of the Alphabet in her eighth year. A notoriously thievish child – steals for love of stealing, stole Bessie Steer's dinner today – an egg – and
- “ 19th

threw the shell down one of the offices – made her shew where she put the shell & confess, which she did after threatening to send for the Policeman.

87

1884

I have sent her home pending the pleasure of the School Board considering such a child as demoralising to the school. The father was before the magistrate a week or two since, charged with stealing knives & forks & other things out of a neighbours house – fined abt. £2-8-6 An Industrial School would be the right place for such children-trained by such parents.

Feb 22nd. 12 children absent to-day from large room 22 from Infants. A. A. 88

March 3rd Children late to-day.
to 7th A. A. this week 83.
“ 14th Improved attendance – Average 94
“ 21st A. A. this week 104, admitted 5 children, Infants.
“ 29 Admitted 2 infants, several absent from Inft. room, many sick. A. A. 101. School fees paid very irregularly sent several home for it by order of Mr. Square – for the S. Board

88

April 4th sent home some children for
to School Fees. A. A. 99
5th Good Friday. No attendance.

“ 12th Good attendance. Average 111.
to Visited by Miss Pitts & Miss Odham who inspected the needlework & knitting & heard the children sing.

15th Admitted one little boy from
to 18th Start Lighthouse. Alfred Thayes. Mrs. Thayes complains of having to pay a higher fee than the chief boatman, whose salary is £2 per month more than the Lightkeepers. For consideration of S. Board. Registers tested & found correct. Signed William L. Pitts

“ 25th A. Attendance this week 116.
28th Admitted Bessie Dunn, Inft.
to A. A. 118.
7 May Visit without notice. Satisfactory

The walls are very dirty.
A. Cowie H. M. I.

89/84
May 9th

No attendance. School whitewashed.
Should have been done before the
last attendance previous to the Examination.
School examined by Mr. Chinnock
Changed the Standards for next
weeks; work. Historical readers wanted
for Std. III who have hitherto read with
Std. 4. Also two sets wanted for 1st Std.
old ones worn out. Writing Sheets wanted
for Infants; Room. Asked for
of S. Board who wish to hear if
H. M. Inspector suggests anything
on the matter by way of improvement
Registers tested by Mr. L. Pitts
Vice chairman of S. Board and
found correct, entered duly in
Class Registers. 109 children present.

“ 12th to
16

12th to

“ 23rd
“ 30th

A. A. this week 107.
Visited by Rev.d Mr. Cornish
call of Mr. Pitts. Rec.d Duplicate
Schedule. A. A. this week 76 in
Standards 38 in Inft. room. Total 114.

90

June 6th

A. A. this week 106.
Books wanted for Stds. I. & III
Visited by Mr. L. Pitts V.C.S.B.

“ 13th
to
20th

“ 26
“ 27th

July 4th

“ 7th
to 11th
“ 15th
to

18
to

Ordinary routine
A. A. 98
Fanny Hutchings absent.
Several children left.
A. A. this week 98 work satisfactory
A. A. this week 99.7
Visited By Mr. Pitts, who tested register
& found them correct & in
the afternoon by the Vicar
Mr. Stubbs who invited the
scholars to a Festival at Stokenham.
No attendance by leave of S. Board
Mrs. Cory absent on Monday, sick.
Recd. Government Report

91
1884

Copy of Inspector's Report

"The Children are clean and orderly. The Instruction is painstaking. Writing is fair, Reading and Arithmetic should improve. The latter subject is somewhat better. Needlework is satisfactory."

"The Infants are remarkably well taught."

Signed

C. Cory Mistress
A. Login Asst. Teacher
H. Burgain Monitress
F. Hutchings "

92

July 25th

A. A. this week 99.1

Aug 1st

Ordinary routine. F. H. Steer left.

" 8th

Measles broken out in the school. Closed the school two days sooner than desirable for the Harvest vacation, on account of Measles.

Sep 1st to
5th

Holidays three weeks
Resumed work, several absent. with colds, visited by Attendance officer.

" 12

Fair attendance with exceptions. Received Historical Readers for 3rd Standard – who have hitherto read with Std. 4. Made set of flannel shirts for Mrs. Stubbs.

" 19

A. A. this week 103.
Received 24 Std. I. Royal Readers.

" 26

A. A. this week 97.
Mary Jane Prettejohn has not attended school for the last thirteen weeks – more than two days – school open 96 times.

93

1884

Sep 29th

M. J. Prettejohns come to school again after 13 weeks absence.

Oct. r 3rd

A. A. 101 Ordinary progress. Making set of Nightshirts for A. F. Holdsworth Esqr. Chairman of S. Board. Quantity of calico 22 yds for 2 dozen – cut out b. shirts.

" 10

A. A. this week 100. Visited by Attendance Officer.

" 17th

A. A. this week 106

“ 22 A. A. 105 Admitted 2 children
South Allington Lina & Ada Hannaford
Infts.

94

Oct.r 31st A. A. this week 103.2
Pencils wanted – fair work done
this week.

Nov. 7th A. A. this week 97.
First class arithmetic satisfactory.
2nd Standard weakest in all subjects.

“ 14 A. A. this week 99.5. Sent copy
of Time Table to Mr. Square on
Wednesday.

“ 21 A. A. 98.7 School Board meeting
at 4.30. Visited by Mr. L. Pitts
Vice chairman of School Board
who tested Attendance Registers
& found them correct.

“ 24 First week of the Twenty-two
Classroom chimney wants
cleaning, very smoky today.
Mrs. Login very poorly last two days.
Dictation in 3rd & 4th Standards good.

95

1884 from Historical Readers p7
verses 8 & 9 – 14 had no mistakes & 7 had
one. F. Hutchings had 4 – 91 in school.
50 in larger room 41 Infts.
Visited by the Vicar Rev. C. Stubbs
A. A. 97

to 28th

Dec 5th School Board Meeting.
Notice of motion by L. W. Pitts to
consider the salary of the Mistress –
adjourned. A. A. 86 several sick.

“ 12th Many children sick.

“ 19th Closed for Christmas week only.
Coals wanted – asked for
to School Board.

“ 29th Resumed duties, small attendance.
A. A. 65 – coals not supplied yet.

96

Jan 2nd 1885 The Wigers left - changed residence.

to Attended S. B. Meeting. Two members only present. Asked again for coals. The Clerk Mr. Square undertaking to order them but none come as yet. The room is none too warm when a good fire is burning – in winter time. A slow combustion stove would be an improvement on the one grate, chief part of this heat goes up the chimney here.

9th Have sent to Mr. L. W. Pitts about the coals & spoken to him besides, he said he had forgotten it - & promised to order some

“ 16 Raining & cold
Coals supplied. 1 Ton Wednesday 5 o'clock, per Mr. Lynn – Teachers waited to receive it. Visited by the Vicar Mr. Stubbs A. A. 76
All have suffered from the cold & want of firing.

97

1885 Jan 23 Jane Stumbles attended 40 times out of 80 possible.

to Yards in a bad state through neglect of some one to clear the gutters, no passage for the water between the Farm yard above & the School Yard gate, the yard receive the whole wash of the roads, consequently Teachers and scholars have to wade thro. as best they may – the poor children with old shoes, are bound to have wet feet.

“ 23 Much trouble in collecting school Fees. Stumbles sent home on Wednesday for fees, played truant Tuesday – first appearance for this week.

98

1885 Jan 30 Finished 6 shirts for Mr. Holsworth, Mrs. Holsworth sending thanks & a message to the children for the good work – buttons & cotton cost /11d – paid.
A. A. 72
Had to go out in the rain & clear a passage for the water running into the yards.

Feb 2nd Complained to Jeffreys about the gutter & said that unless attended

to should post to the Board Surveyor when John Jeffrey told me to "Post Away." At another time when complaining of a quantity of building stones left on my premises thro his neglect he cursed & swore & has been insolent ever since. The ratepayers will now have the expense of getting rid of the mud from the yards – which keeps the rooms in a filthy state,

99 1885

Feb 6th

Rec.d 4 Packets of Arithmetic cards from Mr. Taylor
A. A. 78

to

" 13th

Ordinary routine. A. A. 87

to

20

A. A. 84. Fair work.

to

" 23

Monday Registers tested by
Mr. W. L. Pitts. V. C. S. Board

" 27

A. A. this week 89

March 6

Visited by Attendance officer.

" 13th

Ordinary progress.

to

" 20

Changed sides with desks. Teachers'

100

1885

March 20th

also, gives more room for class work
etc. A. A. this week 92.

" 27th

Examined Standard children.
pens wanted - & several other things.

April 1st

Teacher absent by leave of S. Board to
attend her Mother's Funeral at Exeter.
Mrs. Loggin taking charge. Fanny Hutchings
teaching the Infants – pro tem.
Form 8 delayed thro. absence 1st of Clerk 2nd of Teacher
School closed Easter Monday.
Visited by S. Attendance Officer

" 6th

10th

Doctor Clarke who com-
mended the work done by Std. I. &
the Infants especially.

" 13th

Admitted 4 children – Elsie Lynn
Fred.k. Stone, George Steer, Rhoda Lynn.

" 15th

Visited by Mr. Pitts. V. Chairman
S. Board who examined all

to 17th the children in 4 Standards in Arithmetic, results very satisfactory All sums dictated by Mr. Pitts from Test Cards. A. A. 99.3

101 1885

April 20th
to 24th

Wednesday 22nd inst.

Received notice of Examination fixed for 6th May.
Received from Mr. Taylor 6 boxes slate pencils, 2 boxes pens ½ ream foolscap, blotting paper. Class Registers. National Society bought Calico, cotton & thimbles for practice purposes
Visit of Mr. Pitts & Mr. Bannister of Teignmouth, formerly Vicar in Bedfordshire.
Registers examined by Mr. Pitts & found correct.

May 1st
“ 4

First day of school year.
Stokenham scholars behaved very badly on their way home & are continually interrupting this school.

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May 6th

Annual examination.
Amelia Loggin not called upon to read, yet failed in the Schedule. Alfred Prettejohns not called to read but passed – whilst Hetty Burgain read twice – also John Prettejohn. The 3rd Standard were interrupted in the midst of their sums by having their copy books given them. No member of School Board present.

“ 8th

15 children changed classes from Infant room, 5 Girls & 10 boys

11
top

Admitted 2 boys from Stokenham school Harry Crocker & Samuel Hatherly 3 & 4th Standards

“ 15
to
22

Several absent
Taken all the time for secular instruction, pending instruction from School Board.

103

May 29 Drawn up a New Time Table to submit to H.M. Inspector & S. Board
 Taken up two class subjects again English & Needlework for the Girls
 “ & Geography for Boys.
 No attendance Whit Monday.

June 5 Ordinary routine. A. A. 90
 Admitted Florence Hatherley.
 “ 9th Sent New. T. Table to E. D.
 to 12 Admitted Frances Dimond. A.A. 90
 Time Table returned, unopened, unexplained.
 “ 13 Took T. Table to Mr. Square.
 The Clerk to the School Board laid out ½ in posting – besides journey to Kingsbridge.
 “ 19 Several children sick.
 not seen Attendance officer for upwards of two months, abt. 8 children attending less than half time.
 Maude Lynn readmitted from Stokenham.

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June 26 Mistress met with accident & fell on right arm, forbidden by Dr. Clarke to attempt to use it for some time. A. A. 93.

June 29 Visited the School. The Board should at once give the Teacher a copy of this year's Code. The reading books for the 2nd & 3rd Sts. are in a very bad state. C. E. Vertue

July 3rd Ordinary routine.
 Visited by Attendance Officer.
 School Board Meeting.
 Registers examined by Mr. Pitts.

“ 10th A.A. 97
 11th Received T. Table from Clerk of S. Board
 to Sent for ink – not sent back.
 “ 17 A. A. 103 Received New Code

“ 24 Fair Progress
 Sunday School Treat on Tuesday.

105

July 31 Ink from Mr. Taylor
 Children knitting stockings & socks for Mrs. Stubbs – two pairs finished this week. A. A. 104. for the quarter 99.5

Inspector's Report

"The Discipline and work of the first Standard are very fair and the writing in Copy books is air though those of the first Standard are very elementary. The Reading, Spelling and Arithmetic of the upper Standards should all be much improved. The Sewing is very well taught. The room is not sufficiently heated, the grate being much too small and is not kept clean. There is much dust and dirt on the upper part of the walls. No provision is made by the Board for keeping

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the school clean. It appears to have been washed out once during the year at the expense of the Teacher. No Merit Grant will be recommended next year unless the Board at once takes steps to have it regularly and properly cleaned. The Portfolio is not properly kept and the Clerk produced neither accounts nor official Reports.

Infants Class The Elementary subjects are well and carefully taught and the mistress has done her best to vary the Instruction, some of the varied Occupations should be introduced, required by Article 106(b) 3. The Sewing is good. The Discipline should be improved. Desks must be provided for the first Class and a cupboard for the books and slates. A proper supply of Object Lessons Cards and Reading Sheets for the younger

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children must also be provided. This room is overcrowded and the average attendance exceeds the accommodation. The windows are very dirty and the upper part of the walls is coated with dust and dirt. No Merit Grant will in future be recommended unless the Board at once provide for the proper cleaning of

the premises
It appears that the Time Table according to which the School has been taught is not in accordance with Paragraph 7 of the Elementary Education Act 1870. The Grant to the School should therefore in strictness be forfeited under article 88, as however the Time Table was signed by H. M. Inspector My Lords have allowed payment of the Grant but the Managers

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must accept it on condition that it will be refunded if the payment is objected to by the Auditors and their objection is sustained by the Public Accounts Committee

Signed C. Cory Mistress
J. Harris Square

Aug 7th

Mr. Square visited the school and took charge of the Reports, 4, also three "Duplicates for use of the S. Board".

" 14th

Harvest Holiday 3 weeks.
School rooms scrubbed by two women, three shillings charged.
Clerk got orders from School Board to get books etc. as advised by H. M. Inspector
Ordered materials for varied occupations. "Stopping Home to embroidery" & paper plaiting – gave notice to the clerk that coals should be provided for the winter.

109 1885

Sep. 7th
11th

Resumed work with fair att.
A. A. 92

" 14

Rec.d per carrier from Mr. Taylor
Bookseller – Kingsbridge
3 doz slates – 2 doz each of Nelson's New Royal Readers for Stds. III, II & I
1 doz Historical Readers, Miss Youngs' for Std. III also 6 packers of materials for varied occupations, for Inft. room. No Pictures come.

18th

A. A. 101.4
Ordinary routine. A. A. 101.5

“ 29th Attendance officer seen at this school
 once during last five months
 & that visit was 3 months ago.
 Dismissed 3 out – parishioners for
 want of room in Inf.t department
 30 Visited by Attendance officer
 Mr. L. Pitts examined Registers
 October 2nd School Board Meeting.
 “ 9th Fair progress. A. A. 91.7
 Half ton coals received.

110 1885

Oct 16th Five children absent thro sickness.
 A. A. 86.5
 “ 23rd Turk’s Head granted by S. Board.
 Ordinary progress
 “ 30th 8 girls absent of Elder Scholars
 through sickness. A. A. 79.1
 Nov 4 Slightly improved Attendance
 School Bd. Meeting. E. Hutchings
 pd. for scrubbing due May 9th 1884
 “ 13 Changed desks with view to
 accommodation for stove.
 A. A. 96.6
 Mr. Pitts examined Registers.
 “ 20 Examined Standards
 Two women scrubbed schools.
 “ 27th Half ton coals ordered by Teacher
 drawn by S. Hannaford on Monday

111 1885

Nov 27th 3 desks delivered, for Infts. Room
 Yards in filthy state, for want
 of Hardening. Gate rotting for
 want of paint. A leakage in
 the roof. Seven months
 of school year gone, seen
 Attendance officer Twice. only
 Dec 4th to Satisfactory progress this week
 A. A. 94
 “ 11th Stone supplied per Lynn carriers
 Mr. Holdsworth looked into this
 room for a second or so, after school
 was dismissed on Monday midday
 first time for upwards of 8 years.
 Attendance officer visited says the
 attendance is good.
 “ 18th Attendance fallen off this week
 to 82.
 25th School closed for Xmas.

1886
Jan 2nd
to 8th

Scrubbed by Mrs. Hutchings.

Resumed work. A. A. 83

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1886
Jan 15th

Visited by Mr. Pitts V. C. of School Board who was instructed by S. Board to get the yards beached – done today. Florence Dure Std. 4 Edward her brother Std. 3 also Saml. Hatherley attended 19 times out 36 possible. Stove not put in yet – children coughing, all over the room. Teacher suffering as well. The children are frequently complaining of being worried by Mr. Goodman's dogs, on their way to School – set upon them by Mr. Goodman's servant and often they have to go back part of the way again, so getting late at school. I went down as far as the Farm with them myself one evening. One of the servant boys called into the school some obscene language, one day as he passed up the road, and today as the children came to school, Charles Wright, set on

113 1886

A dog named "Watch" upon the scholars, which bit one boy badly in the left leg, between the knee & thigh, amongst the muscles, had to borrow a donkey & sent him home to Start Light House – his father being a Light Keeper.

Jan 18th

The boy who was bitten by the dog is being attended by Doctor Clarke.

" 22

Severe weather this week, Stove not in place yet. Teachers have colds and many children sick. A.A. 76.6

" 29
Feb 5

Ordinary progress
Stove in place. Answers very well. Attendance Officer visited on Wednesday. A. 89 Coke received.

8
to 12th
15

Visited by Rev. d C. W. Stubbs. A. A. 91. School scrubbed. Visited by Mr. Pitts who tested Registers

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1886

Feb. 19th
to 26

Held examination. Results Fair
A. A. 87.5. Teacher visited the
National Schools Kingsbridge Infants
for the benefit of the Infants attending
this school who are taking the
"Varied Occupations" this year.

March 5

Infants very pleased with the
new work. A. A. 89.8

Sent home Philip Partridge
on account of an eruption on his
body – for fear of infection. A.A. 97

" 12

Received notice from Mr. Nosworthy
Farmer, Beeson, that he had
ordered Tabb's children not to attend
school as their father who is Mr. N's
workman said they had Itch.

" 16

Visited by Attendance Officer.
A. A. this week 61 only: owing
to fear of catching itch.

" 17

Sent to Mr. Pitts for advice
but he was from home – went
to Widdicombe to see Mr. Holdsworth

115 1886

March 17th

Chairman of S. Board for instructions.
Mr. Holdsworth promised to see
Dr. Clarke about the matter. I
also went to Mr. Coaker member
of S. Board – have heard nothing
from either since.

" 19

Mr. Horton rode into the S. yard
and complained of the school
being open – saying we should spread
the disease thro. the parish
and speaking offensively to the Teacher
who had acted according to the best
of her judgment = but who had no
authority for closing the School.

" 22

46 in attendance to-day in elder childrens
classes, 21 in the Infant's room.
with only 5 weeks left of school
year.

26

A. A. 70 Rec.d pictures for Infnts.
School scrubbed

April 3rd

A. A. 88 Ordinary routine.

116 1886

April 9th

Attendance improved. A. A. 95.5
Rec.d Forms.

- “ 16th School Fees paid very irregularly
to A. A. 106
21 Punished a child in Inft. Class for insubordination
sent back for school fees 3 boys
- “ 23rd Fair progress. A. A. 93.3
Exam fixed for June 2nd.
- “ 30th Examined scholars. A. A. 97.7
Yearly average 92
- May 7th A. A. 108.9 Bought The New Code
also cardboard for mounting pictures
& Blotting paper. 12 packets of
Needles. Attended a School Board
meeting at Stokenham School when
the father of the children who were told
to bring their school fees attended
and complained to the S. Board
Mr. Holdsworth Chairman of the
S. Board spoke most unbecomingly

117 1886

to me in the presense of this
person – his workman. Notwithstanding
I had been instructed by Mr. Square
previously at a S. B. Meeting to
send home scholars whose parents
failed to supply the fees.
The time spent in collecting the
fees, every day of the week interferes
very considerably with the work of
the approved T. Table.
Teacher has asked repeatedly to
have the walls whitewashed.
Charged the S. Board for scrubbing
at Xmas Feb 12 & Lady day –
3/ each time & told I had no
authority for getting it done
by members then present. Mr.
Wm. Holsworth being absent
at that time.

- May 7th Visited by Attendance Officer.
to 14 Slate pencils wanted. A. A. 104

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- May 21st A. A. 107 this week
to 28 Visited by Mr. Square who inspected
Registers and Books of Acct.
Signed Forms & examined the premises.
Call of Attendance Officer.
Attendance good.
Received Slate pencils & Foolscap
from Mr. Taylor. Needles &

29
June 1st materials from Miss Tope
Wool for Specimens from Mrs Jeffrey
School whitewashed & scrubbed
windows cleaned etc.
Call of Mr. Pitts V. C. of S. Board

Signed Form for Attendance
officer for Lizzie Stone
Infants Department.
23 children failed to bring
S. Fees

119 1886
June 2nd

to

Annual Inspection by
H. M. Inspector Mr. Virtue and
Mr. Chinnock Asst. Inspector.
Present for short time Mr. L. Pitts
V. Chairman of S. Board. All children
on Registers present except Ernest Wright.
reported sick. A. A. 105

4th
to
8th

Rec.d Duplicate Schedule, changed
Standards and taken the 1st Division
of Infants in 1st Standard.

to

Three boys left and gone to Stokenham,
Ernest Wright, Philip Downing and
George Stumbles. Two girls left
Emma Hutchings and Martha Wills
A. A. 109.5 Drafted T. Table

11th

for Approval. From Infants' Department

18th

Ordinary Progress - changed Standards

29th Rec.d Report from
Mr. Square.

120 1886
June 29th

Copy of Inspector's Report
Mixed School

"The discipline is very fair; but the
instruction should be improved.
The Reading is indistinct and unintelligent
and it is with hesitation that many of the
children have been passed
in this subject.

The Writing is on the whole, good;
but the copy-books of the first Standard
are still too elementary. The spelling
of the upper Standards and Arithmetic
of the first and second Standard are
very poor; but these Subjects are
satisfactory in the other Standards.
The Grammar above the second
Standard is imperfect; and the
Geography is practically a failure.

There is no plan of the School for the use of the first Standard. Two Class Subjects should not have been attempted (over

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1886 June 29 The Sewing is carefully taught, and the specimens worked on the day of Examination are very fair. The Portfolio was again not produced and H. M. Inspector will not examine the School next year unless it is in the School when he arrives.”

Infants' Class. “The children are in good order, and are very well prepared in the Elementary subjects. The Arithmetic of the first Class is very good. The Time Table should show the instruction given to each class of the Infants.

H. M. Inspector adds “Last year I reported that this school was in a very dirty state, and the Board were warned that payment of the Merit Grant would not again be recommended unless they had it regularly cleaned.

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The windows and walls above where the Teachers themselves could reach with short brushes were particularly dirty last year. Nothing was done to them during the year till two days before the end of the School Year when the windows were cleaned and the walls whitewashed.

The Mistress took it upon herself to get the floor washed five times. I attach great importance to the School being regularly cleaned, not merely as a lesson to the children, but the for sake of the Teachers' health..”

In consequence of this Report on the uncleanliness of the School-Rooms, no Merit Grant has been allowed.

A. Login is continued under article 84. Signed C. Cory Mistress
A. Login (a 84)

F. Hutchings Monitress
H. Burgain “

J. Harris Square.

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July 2nd 1886

A. A. 110.8 Fair progress.

“ 9 A. A. 113.2 School opened 9 years ago today.

“ 13 Visited by Attendance officer attended School Board Meeting
to Received £27.4.11 Half G. Grant received.
Floors very dirty. A. A. 112.6

“ 16th School Fees fixed by the Board for children of Lightkeepers at Start Lighthouse in Feb/82 was three-pence per week and paid both by Mr. Jones and Mr. Kaye until Mrs. Kaye came to the school and complained that they had to pay a higher fee than the chief boatman Wright of Coast guard Station at Hallsands shoes pay she said was £2 a month more than her

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1886

July 23 to

husbands. Under the circumstances I allowed Mr. Kaye to send three boys for the same fee 6d. while the younger was under seven, at my own loss. As at Ladyday/84 a new agreement with the Board the whole of the School Fees were included in my Salary, since Michaelmas last year. I demanded and received the fee fixed by the School Board at first. At the Board Meeting Mr. Hurrel asked me whether I charge Mr. Kaye 3d a week for his children. I said “I did,” and that it was the fee fixed by the Board, when the Fees were the property of the Board, and that I could not submit to a remission of Scholars' fees at my own expense. Mr. Kaye's salary is abt. £4.16 a month, exclusive of House Rent, Rates and taxes Fuel & light, Medical attendance Heavy furniture & other considerable emoluments.

125 1886

July 23rd and yet complaining to pay 3d a week School Fees, all school materials except copy-books found by the School Board! Whilst all the time the Lighthouse-keepers are about 3 ½ miles from the school quite outside the jurisdiction of the School Board and attend just when it suits them, at the loss of both wages & credit to the Teacher. Presented for examination being on Registers.

July 26 This morning, Monday, Mr. Kaye sent sixpence to pay the fees for 3 children, ages 10, 8 & 7 last birthdays saying Mr. Hurrell told him to pay 2d a week – which I refused to take and record the facts.

“ 27th Mr. Kaye has to-day sent the right school fee – 9d for his 3 boys.

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1886

July 29th to

Many children late this morning. Harry Crocker playing truant with a number of boys attending Stokenham School, in pursuit of Ernest Wright a boy who stole a Half crown from his father yesterday, went to Kingsbridge by coach in the evening, spent the money in ale etc. getting drunk & staying out all night, returning this morning and setting off towards Lanacombe, saying he will go there and drown himself.

Sent home a child paid for by the Board of Guardians, who ought not to be out of doors, being covered all over with a very red eruption like measles.

A. A. this quarter 100.

Aug 2nd.

Bank Holiday. Sunday S. Treat at Hallsands. School closed.

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Aug 6

School Board Meeting Friday
A. A. 102

“ 13

School closed for the Harvest Vacation. A. A. 93.9
On Registers 118

Sep 6th

Resumed work. Absent 13 Girls

- and 15 boys. 28 Also 21 Infants absent
49 in all.
- “ 7th Visited by Rev. C. Stubbs V. C. of
New S. Board
- “ 8 Visited by Mr. L. Pitts Chairman
to of S. Board, who tested Registers
Signed C. Cory
- “ 10 A. A. 75
- “ 14th Visited by Attendance Officer.
- “ 17 A. A. 102.3
- 23 Visited by Rev. d C. Stubbs who examined
the elder children in sums & writing.

128 1886

- Sep. 24th A.A. this week 100.2
27 Readmitted Samuel Hatherley who
has been absent from school
since the Examination – 4 days
over 15 weeks.
- 30 Rec.d Time Table for Infants' Room
sent to the clerk in June last.
- Oct 1st A. A. 91.2
Rec.d Ink & 2 doz slates & pencils
2 boxes pens, New Summary from
Mr. Taylor.
- “ 9th School scrubbed by E. Hutchings & woman
hired by her – employed by S. Board.
- “ 11 4 boys attending Stokenham school
came into this school whilst it was
being cleaned and assaulted F. Hutchings
with a broom, using shocking language
and behaving in a most disgusting
manner, this is the second time
within a week these boys have
come here and behaved badly.

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- 1886 Oct 8th they came whilst the Teachers were
here, but it was out of the question
making up the Registers, whilst these
unruly boys were on the premises,
I went out to them when they ran
away leaving their donkey behind
them, Philip Downing returned for it
in a most insolent manner and
one child in the Infants' Room
had to return to school as they would
not let him go home. George Stumbles
cursed & swore to the teacher to
spoke to him.
- 11th The same annoyance repeated
- 12 Worse offence than before
complained to Mr. Harradon

& Mr. Pitts.
Visited by attendance officer
who came at 4.10. The Stumbles
have attended 10 ½ days last 3 months.
15th A. A. 106.5

22 A. A. 104.2

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1886 Oct. 29th Fires lighted this week.
Needlework for exam in progress.
A. A. 101.1 Teacher's work-table wanted
badly, bought needles & cotton at A. Jeffreys
Needles No. 9 at Kellaton per H. Benjamin.

Nov. 1st Mr. Pitts visited school & examined
Registers. Signed C. Cory
same day one of the girls ran against
another and bit her tongue nearly through
she had to be held in the teachers arms
being sick & faint before her friends
could fetch her.

5th A. A. 107 Quarter's average 98.66
Half year " 102.

12 Fair progress A. A. 102.3
Visited by Mr. Stubbs.

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Nov 12th Ordinary routine
to

" 19th A. A. 100.6
Call of Rev. C. Stubbs

" 26th A. A. 106
29 Visited by Attendance officer.

Dec 3rd A. A. 99.9 Chimneys want
sweeping.

10th A. A. 95.6

to

17th Chimneys swept. A. A.

24th School closed for Xmas Vacation two weeks.

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January 1887
10th School opened with 58 in Standards
Infts. 28 = 86

to Dora Stumbles & her sister Eva have
not attended school for last 15 weeks
& Jane not since the last exam.
14 A. A. 78.9 Readmitted Dora & Eva
to
21 A. A.. 97

1886 January 25th Ex.d Registers and found them correct W. L. P.

24 Sent home H. Prettyjohns for S. Fees.
27 Visited by Attendance officer.
A. A. 91. 1 box slate pencils
from Mr. Taylor. Copy books
ordered for lower Standards.
A. A. 91.5

Feb 4th Attendance fallen to 88.3 this week.
Additional desk for Inft. room
Total A. A. for quarter ending
95.63.

133 1887

Feb 7th to Sent back Philip Partridge for
School Fees. Guardian Innkeeper & mason
paid no fees for the year refusing to
pay more than 1d a week which has
always been refused, brought the
matter before the S. Board who decide
to enforce the demand. The boy Prettejohn
also ordered to return to this school
having gone to Stokenham School
which would disqualify for Exam.
“ 11th A. A. 90.9

Feb 14th Philip Partridge returned to school
with the right school fee 2d.
“ 15 Also Harry Prettejohn Innkeeper's son
Several children sick.
“ 16 Chimney swept by Mr. Dunn

Feb 20. 1887 Examined Registers and found
them correct W. L. Pitts

C. Cory

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1887

Feb 20th Visited by Rev. C. Stubbs & Mrs. Stubbs,
Mr. & Mrs. Pitts same time.
Classes examined at their ordinary
work. Infants as well
“ 22 Call of Mr. Stubbs who staid
some time looking over the
writing & sums. Three or four boys
sick, Willie Kaye came again after
long sickness, the boy who was bitten by a dog.

Average attendance 98.8

- March 11 A. A. 102.8 Standard IV idle today.
“ 16 Visited by Mr. Pitts Chairman of S. Board.
“ 18 A. A. 99.5 Many absent this afternoon.
Coals & coke by G. Hannaford.
“ 25 A. A. 104.

135 1887

March 28th Received 1 gross Copy Books
3 doz inkwells. Foolscap. A. Cards
New Code Knitting Book etc.
several absent setting potatoes.
Two girls absent thro skin disease
under medical treatment by Dr. Clarke.
Rec.d writing paper from Mr. Square.

- April 7th A. A. 107 Fair progress
ink wanted.
“ 15th Average attendance 106.8
to
18th Tested lower standards.
Visited by Attendance officer
gave instructions as to three children
over five years not at school.
Effie Powsland & John & E. Hatherly
A. A. 107.5

136 1887

April 22nd Visited by Mr. Pitts who remained
an hour looking into things in general.
Cupboard supplied by Mr. Bucknal
not painted.

- “ 25th Lena Crocker sent to School to-day
to has the skin disease still. Teacher
sent her home till cured.
“ 27th very good attendance.
“ 29 Highest weekly average for the
year 114.5
Admitted two children from another
parish, Arthur Oldrun & his sister
Florence. Two children should
be at school or accounted for
by Attendance officer – Martha
Edmonds & Mary Burgain
both in Standard III sickness
and death of her mother cause of
absence of the former & delicate
health in latter case.

May 12 Examined registers and found
them correct. W. L. Pitts

Windows cleaned by Mr. W. Bucknal

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1887

May 13th A. A. 115.8
Books from Mr. Taylor 24 & slate pencils
also ink.

May 16th

Annual Inspection
present Rev. C. Stubbs & Mr. W. L. Pitts

Changed Classes. Insufficient
desk room, spoken of it to Mr. Pitts
who has promised to attend to it.

“ 20th

Parchment returned
Average attendance 115.7

“ 21st Rec.d

Duplicate Schedule.

23rd

Admitted two children in Infant
class Effie Powsland & William Stone
Sent for Martha Edmonds
who has been absent 19 weeks.
The elder sister who is Housekeeper
to her Father sent back an
impertinent message saying she
should not send her as she had
not heard from anybody but
Mrs. Cory that neither Mr. Pitts

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May

or Mr. Stubbs had been to them
about her sister”. At the last
Meeting of S. Board the Attendance
officer was told she must
come to school.
Tuesday sent word to him
to attend to it but in the
mean time she has come.

“ 27

Ten children left A. A. 101.7
Visited by Mr. Pitts who has

to

promised two new desks.

30

Fair progress. A. A. 99.8

July 8

Window broken – wilfully.
A. A. this week 105.
Visited by Mr. W. L. Pitts
Knitted a pair of silk socks
for Rev. C. W. Stubbs

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June 14th 1887

Inspector's Report (Copy)

Mixed School “The reading and repetition
are indistinct, the words being muttered
and said too quickly. The rest of

the work of the first and second Standards is very fair. Arithmetic and Spelling above the second Standard still require careful attention, and the Grammar above the third Standard should still further improve. The Sewing is nearly and carefully done. The girls should, in the higher Standards fix as much as possible of their own work. The children are talkative when not at work."

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Infants' Class "The Reading is fluent but it is monotonous. The Arithmetic is good. The Writing is done too Quickly and the children should be taught to sit in the proper position for Writing and hold their pencils properly. The Sewing is well taught, and the rest of the instruction is very fairly satisfactory."

F. Hutchings is recognised as qualified to serve under Article 84 and A. Login is continued under the same Article.

Signed C. Cory Head Teacher
A. Login Infants " Article 84
F. Hutchings Stan 3.
H. Burgain " 1 Monitress

J. Harris Square Correspondent.

141

July 12 1887 Recd. 2 boxes pens, 6 boxes slate pencils
½ ream Foolscap not rules (to be returned) bought 2 yds. calico and 12 packets needles from Mrs. Clements
A. A. 108

" 18 Rec.d 6 Comprehensive Readers
No. 4 also 6 Royal do. From Mr. Taylor

to
" 19 Visited by Mr. Pitts, who scolded several boys for coming late to school. Teacher had also fetched 7 others who would have lost their marks for attendance otherwise; punished the whole of them. A. A. 99.7

26th Visit of Mr. Pitts also Rev. F. Dickinson who heard the children sing.

“ 29th A. A. 101.8
Total Quarter's Average 101.8
Knitted another pr. silk socks for
Mr. Stubbs.

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Aug. 3rd Cal of Rev.d F. Dickinson
to
“ 5th Closed school for Harvest Vacation
Paper changed by Mr. Taylor.

Aug 19th Resumed work after 3 weeks holidays
to several children absent.
Sep 2nd 15 of the elder scholars not made
an attendance for the week.
4 have attended 2 days & 4, 3 days each
Infants, girls, have made 59 attendances total
average 21.5

“ 6 Visited by Attendance officer.
to 9th Average 87

“ 12th Monday several absent
13 Better attendance today 107 present.
15 Half holiday. Harvest Thanksgiving.
A. A. this week 103.
16 Commenced work for exam / 88

Sep. 16 Registers Exd. and found correct
W. L. Pitts

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Sep 23 Ordinary progress

“ 30 A. A. 100 this week.
Fires lighted. Hetty Burgain sick
duties attended to by her sister Dora.

Oct.r 7 Average 95.7

“ 11 Visited by Attendance officer.
A. A. 102.7

“ 14 Visited by Mr. Pitts in wanted
“ 17 Rec.d 18 Victory Infant Readers from
Mr. Taylor.

“ 21 Average attendance 101.5

“ 28 A. A. 101.2 Rec.d 12 cwt Coals
drawn by J. Jeffery. France
charge 3/1d

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- Nov 4th 1887 Average attendance 101;9
- “ 7 Monday admitted Francis Kelland & William Steer Infants.
Rec.d 6 boxes slate pencils and 10 quires Exercise paper, from Mr. Taylor. Supplied cotton and needles. C. Cory. Coke wanted.
- “ 11th A. A. 98.8 Flue of Stove wants cleaning.
- “ 15 Examined Registers & found them correct W. L. Pitts
12 cwt Coke brought by Mr. Lynn
- “ 18 Average attendance this week 94.4
- “ 25 Average for week 99.1

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- Dec 2nd 1887 Visited by attendance officer.
Weekly average 97.3
Rec.d gallon ink from Mr. Taylor
- “ 9th Ordinary routine
A. A. 104 as last week.
- Monday Mrs. Cory is obliged to go home suffering from inflamed throat.
Leaves Mrs. Login in her place, Fanny Hutchings in Infants' room.
Rec.d 2 doz penholders from Mr. Taylor
- “ 15 Several children absent & some sick.
- “ 22 Ordinary routine.

Xmas vacation two weeks.

146

- Jan 9th 1888 Resumed duties, several absent.
- “ 13 Many girls have not attended for the week.
A. A. 94.4
- “ 17 Visited by Attendance officer.
- “ 20th Weekly average 84. Many children sick.
- 23 Rec.d 14 cwt coals by J. Jeffrey pd 3.6
Knitted 3 prs. of Gentlemen's socks for Mr. Stubbs
- 27 Attendance improved A. A. 10606

Febr. 3 Learning new songs.
 A. A. 83 only. Average for Quarter 94.

 10 Average attendance 90.8
 17 Weekly average 91.8
 Visited by attendance officer.
 Call of Mr. Pitts who tested Registers.

 Feby. 17 Registers ex.d and found correct.
 W. L.. Pitts
 Rec.d Foolscap 2 doz slates & 2 boxes of
 pens from Mr. Taylor

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Feb 20 Admitted Mary Elizth Shedgewell – Infant.
 Coke wanted. Flue cleaned by Mr. Dunn

 “ 24 A. A. 95 Exam papers from Taylor
 Rec.d Coke per Mr. Lynn 3cwt.
 March 2 Ordinary work. A. A. 94.8
 5 Visited by Rev. F. Dickinson and
 Miss Hurd
 6 Visited by attendance officer
 to
 “ 9 A. A. 97.3 Fair progress.

 “ 16 Average attendance 97.3.
 Rec.d Gallon ink from Mr. Taylor
 and song books.

 “ 23 Weekly average 97.9
 26 Readmitted John Prettyjohn after
 a long sickness thro. broken leg.
 “ 29 A. A. 97.2

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April 2nd 1888
 to 6th Visited by attendance officer on Thursday
 A.. A. 100.2

 10th School closed in the afternoon to allow
 the children & Teachers to attend
 the Funeral of one of the scholars who
 died after 3 day's illness. Rhoda Steer
 to 1st Class Infant.
 13 Average this week 105.8

 20th School closed for Masons whitewashing
 27 Good attendance usual routine
 Visited by attendance officer.

 30th End of School Year.
 Yearly Average 98.4 on last year
 partly owing to severity of winter, the
 loss is in the Infants' department

4th Average this week 117.

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4th May 1888 Rec.d from Mr. Taylor 2 boxes of pens.
to box of chalk, blotting paper and 12sequels
to No. 2 Royal Readers, cards for Infants' work
12 reels coloured cotton. Needles & c from
Miss Tope.

9th Visited by Miss Pitts
Average this week 114. bought 1 yd calico
or Infants.

“ 15th Visited by Mr. Square Solicitor
Clerk to the School Board who
examined Registers and Forms
to Readmitted Elizth. Prettejohns who
has been of school age since march 8th
and not at school – result – loss
of Attendance, and loss of Fees to the
teacher.

“ 22

25 Attendance good. Average 117.9
Bought calico. Mrs. Clements Chillington 1 yd.

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May 29th 1888 Annual Inspection.
Registers not marked on that day.
Weekly average 116.2
Transferred 17 Infants to Std. I.
11 boys & 6 girls.

June 1st Ordinary routine.

8th Transferred Infants to Standard I.
Several children gone to service.

15 Ordinary progress.
18 Exd. Registers. W. L. Pitts.

22 A. A. 113.7 5 children gone to Stokenham
Weekly average 112.6
29th Fair progress. Some repairs wanted.

Juy 6 Received Inspector's Report.

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July 5th 1888 Inspector's Report

“The children are in good order, and
the instruction has improved.
The reading and Repetition should
still be more distinct and expressive.
The writing and Grammar also
require attention. The work of the

fifth standard is poor. The sewing is well taught.
Infants Class "The infants are in very good order, and are extremely well prepared, especially in the Elementary subjects. Much trouble has been taken with their instruction."
 F. Hutchings and A. Login are continued under Article 84.
 Signed C. Cory Head Mistress
 F. Hutchings Article 84
 A. Login same
 H. Burgain Monitress.

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July 7th 1888 Admitted two infants Mary Ann Shedgewell
 John Rose Square. Received 6 boxes slate pencils
 from Mr. Taylor.

" 13th Rec.d set reading books from same
 Royal Star Reader Std. 3
 A. A. 112

20th Ordinary progress.
 23rd Visited by Rev. C. Furzel & Mrs. Furzel
 29th " School Board Attendance Officer
 Finished pr. stockings of Mr. Pitts.

Aug 7th Admitted a boy John Stone (Infant)

Harvest Holidays 3 weeks

to
 Sep 17th Resumed work
 21st A. A. 88 Several of the children
 have hoping cough. Had blotting paper
 from Mr. Taylor.

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Sep 25th 1888 Very good attendance today.
 28th Weekly average 98.8 In supplied F. T.
 Oct.r 1st Ex.d Registers W. L. Pitts

Oct.r 5th Progress Fair. A. A. 97.6 Coals supplied
 " 10 Teacher absent to attend wedding of a friend.
 " 12 A. A. 90.2

" 19th A. A. 99.1 Ordinary routine.
 Stove flue wants cleaning.
 Rec.d 12 cards Grammar from F. Taylor

26 Average Attendance 99.2
 Visit of Rev. F. Dicinson & Mr. Warner
 Vicar of Slapton who gave 1/ for the
 best boy & Girl Gave Norman Bucknell

sixpence & Caroline Edmonds same.
Also gave 2/3 for the Infants which
Teacher paid out in sweets for
them
Nov 2 A. A. 103.5 Fair Progress

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Nov 9th 1888 Average attendance 99.8
14th Visited by Mr. Pitts
“ 16 Visited by attendance officer.
“ 19 Chimneys cleaned & new lock put to
front door.
22nd Teacher obliged to stay in school without
dinner, the road being obstructed by
cattle kept at the adjoining farm – the
servant and farmer's son amusing
themselves by pelting the scholars
with mud, even into the girls yard
from which they were driven by the teacher.
23rd On my way up the road, after morning
school, another of Mr. Hortons servants
in presence of Mr. Horton's son hooted
me from a loft in the Farmyard
as long as they could see me
and whilst I was away the servant
clambered into the girls' yard
chasing the girls into the offices
and using very bad language
and threatening to assault Mrs. Login
when she ordered him off the premises

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23rd Nov. 1888 Brought the matter before the
School Board.
26th Rec.d wool for varied occ. from
Mrs. Chamberlain, bought material for
two aprons, same shop.
“ 30th A. A. 03 Call of Mr. & Mrs. Finzel.
Mrs. Finzel gave 2/6 towards Christmas
cards.
Dec 7th Average attendance dropped to 86.6
Allan Trout absent 3 weeks.
Walter Wills made 6 attendances pos. 32
Std. 4 over 13.
Mr. Wm. Bucknal refuses to pay the
school fees fixed for Farmers' children.
the living at Batton Farm Houses.
tilling, stocking & employing a labourer

since Michaelmas. Previous to this he
 has been a Master Tradesman and
 engineer paying 2d a week S. Fees
 " 14th Average Attendance 93.3
 " 20th Ordinary progress A. A. 92.1

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January 7th /89 Resumed work several scholars absent.

" 11th A. A. 92.5 Rec.d copy books from Taylors.
 " 16th Mr. Pitts called to look at the stove.
 " 18th Much as last week Average 96.5
 25 Teacher taken ill absent two weeks.
 Mrs. Logan took charge of the elder scholars
 whilst Hetty Burgain taught the Infants.
 Feb 1st Many children sick.
 Attendance officer visited
 Allan Trout has lost 53 attendances this quarter.
 Rec.d Ink from Mr. Taylor & cards for Infts.
 for varied occupations. A. A. 72.2

Feb 8th Children sick still. A. A. 72.2
 " 11 Teacher better, returned to duties.
 Rec.d materials for paper plaiting – Taylor
 The S. Board decided that Mr. Bucknall
 pay 3d per week and the Clerk wrote
 him to that effect but at the following
 S. B. Meeting when the minutes were
 read it seems some other arrangement
 was made. Tho the teacher has only

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Feb 11th 1889 been informed of the alteration thro the
 assistant bringing a note sent to Mr. Bucknall
 by Mr. Pitts. A. A. 72.6

" 22nd Visited by Rev. F. Dickinson, heard
 first class read – saw writing in all standards
 gave 1/6 for sweets, several children
 attending badly, some sick
 A. A. 82

March 1st Many children still sick.
 A. A. 87. Set of Arithmetical cards from Taylors
 " 8th Thos. Stone's children Lizzie has attended
 34 times possible 50. A. A. 81
 Paper from Mr. Taylor. 6 Slates and
 24 Penholders

" 15 Average attendance 75.
 22 Pens from Mr. Taylor. 87 average
 Call of Mr. W. L. Pitts Chairman of S. Board
 29 A. Attendance 82.9

April 5 Improved attendance. Average 95.2
 8 Monday visited by Rev. C. Finzel who left
 2/ with teacher for the scholars
 Rec.d 18 slates from Mr. Taylor and
 Inkstands from Mr. Skinner

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- April 15 Rec.d materials from Mr. Drew & Miss Grant paid carriage.
- “ 18 School closed for Good Friday & Easter Monday
- “ 23 Many children sick of the Mumps
- “ 27 Ordinary progress
- “ 30 Registers tested and found correct by Mr. W. L. Pitts Chairman of School Board
Signed C. Cory
School-room whitewashed.
- May 3rd Attendance improving
- “ 10 Progress fair. Visited by Mr. Square to examine Registers
- “ 13 Rec.d paper & slate pencils from Mr. Taylor
- “ 17 Many children sick suffering from Mumps which seems to be very infectious.
- “ 24 Much sickness still prevails.
- “ 29 School examined
- “ 31st Holiday
- June 7th Changed classes
- “ 10 Easter Monday. Bank Holiday
- “ 14 Several children left.

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- June 21 Michelmores attending badly.
3 children made 8 attendances for last 4 weeks and 20 only for six weeks.
Rec.d Government Report from somewhere 90.0 A.A.
Six of the children examined stammer and unless they read very fast after they begin to read could not read at all.
sorry I did not point this out to H. M. Inspector

Inspector's Report (Copy)

“The children are in very good order, and have passed a high per centage in the Elementary Subjects, but the general quality of some of the work is not of a character to justify the recommendation of the highest Merit grant, the Reading being somewhat hurried and indistinct and the Arithmetic of the elder children not being more than fairly good. Grammar has been only fairly taught. The Sewing is good.”

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Infants' Class. “The infant's are in very good order and have been very creditably taught. The Singing is somewhat harsh.”

June 28 F. Hutchings and A. Login are continued under Article 84.
 Several children absent. C. Cory Mistress
 J. Harries Square
 Correspondent F. Hutchings (84)
 A. Login (84)

Parchment entry "The condition of the school does Mrs. Cory much credit."

July 5 Bertie Lynn has scarlet fever. The school
 to will be closed in consequence by advice from the Chairman of the School Board.

July 29 Resumed work. Bertie Lynn died
 to on Friday
 Aug 2nd Very poor attendance. Attendance officer called.
 " 6 Visited by Rev. C. Finzel and Mr. Pitts who gave Prizes to scholars for good attendances during the past year & tested Registers.

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Aug 6th Alfred Kaye returned to school, made 70 attendances in last six months admitted a little boy, John Parnell.

" 9th Visited by School attendance officer.

" 13 Usual routine. Mr. Dickinson called with another clergyman.

" 16th Mrs. Logan ill

" 20th Absent 4 days.

" 23 Much as usual. A. A. 81.2

" 30 Mr. Pitts called. A. A. 83.1

Sep 6th Aug. 3 admitted N. Pitts
 Nathaniel Gillard left. Gone to Stokenham from Standard III
 Also his cousin Susan Thrush same class gone to Torcross to live.

" 13th Ordinary routine

" 20th Edmonds' dog gets into the porch and east the children's dinners.

" 27 Rec.d 12 3d Slates from Taylors Kindergarten materials etc.

Oct 4th Philip Partridge left: gone to Stokenham.

" 11 Held exam, satisfactory.

" 18 Coals delivered 1 ton H. Prettyjohn Beesands.

" 21st Registers tested by Mr. Pitts Chairman of School Board.

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Oct. 22nd Rec.d new ladder made by Mr. Thos Bucknall

paid 6d for carriage. Fees Books to Kingsbridge Post.
 Examination garments getting on nicely.
 Knitted pr. men's stockings.
 " 25 A. A. 93.4

Nov. 1 Ordinary routine A. A. 90.5

" 8 Fair progress A. A. 88.6
 Call of Mr. Pitts.

" 15 Infts. Kindergarten done for Exam
 and elder children's work advancing.

18 Mrs. Cory met with a serious accident last evening, particulars to be obtained from W. L. Pitts Esq. Chairman of S. Board, and the Vicar.

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Nov. 22nd Children behaved very well. Mrs. Cory no better. A. A. 86

29th Ordinary routine. A. A. 88

Dec.r 6th Mrs. Cory still ill, many children absent. A. A. 84

13th Ordinary progress. A. A. 84.3

17th Received from Mr. J. Taylor 6 Boxes Pencils, 2 Boxes Pens 1 Doz Penholders.

20th Average Attendance this week 77.
 break up this Afternoon for Christmas holidays.

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Janry. 6th Resumed work this morning with very few children, weather very wet. Mrs. Cory still absent no better, talks of going to the Hospital.
 Mr. Pitts visited the School.
 7th A. A. this week 72.8
 10th Harry Prettejohn brought ½ ton coal.

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January 13th. Received from Mr. Taylor 1 Packet std. 6 Arith. Cards
 1 ½ dozen Penholders.

" 20th C. Saunders commenced duties as temporary Mistress.
 The Chairman of the Board visited School today.

" 23rd Owing to the severe weather, the attendance is only very fair and

the children come very late.

“ 24th

“ 31st

Average Attendance 71.4

Children come earlier now.

Prizes will be given for Early Attendance as most of them come a long distance and need encouragement to attend early.

The writing is bad on paper, needs great improvement. Also the reading of children is very poor, without expression and indistinct.

I find that Grammar will need great attention as well.

As. Std. IV children are so backward in Grammar I have taught them

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Feb 7th

Analysis of easy sentences, this being a great help to Parsing.

Writing is improving. Lists of words have been copied by children from Blackboard copies set by Teacher, and with good results.

“ 14th

Attendance better, Average 77.3

Exercise Books are now used by children who have written only on pieces of foolscap hitherto.

Some big girls are backward in Spelling. After learning the words in the lessons in the Readers, quick tests in Spelling have daily been given, done on slates.

“ 21st

No singing lesson this afternoon, as I have a cold and am unable to sing. Many at home owing to colds.

“ 28th

Average low, 69.2

Visit of the Chairman on Monday who tested the Registers and stayed during the dismissal of School.

New songs are being taught.

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March 7th

Reading is much more expressive and careful, also Recitation.

The girls are learning to do their Specimen Needlework.

Attendance still small, Average 68.8
Test papers were done by children on Thursday in some cases, very well, but thought all have improved, some both in Stds. III and IV need a great deal of working up in Arithmetic.

“ 10th

Mrs. Logan (Infant Teacher) is notable

to come to School today owing to indisposition. Mrs. Dure has had charge of the Infants therefore. Small attendance, partly owing to the stormy weather and also to sickness. Mrs. Logan has been unable to come for a fortnight. The attendance has been very small indeed for several weeks. Last week's Average was 62.3 and this week only 57.3. This is owing to the great amount

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of sickness among the scholars. The Average Attendance has been lower than for several years, perhaps it was never so low as now. The progress of the children will, of course, be greatly retarded owing to this. Some backward children have attended very badly. Attendance this week rather better, 69.5 is Average. Holiday was given on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Several boys are still at home some of these being in Std. I they are very backward in Spelling and Arithmetic. Reginald and Thomas Stone have attended to day after being absent for a fortnight. Arthur Stone also attends School very irregularly.

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Average 88.4
Grammar is much improved. I have allowed the Infants to have for their first lesson every day simple Scripture stories. This is not set on the Time Table but as I considered it well for them to have some Scripture instruction, their teacher had given it.

Conscience Claune Education Ad. 1870

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May 1st 1890 C. Cory resumed work after an

to absence of some months as shown
by previous entry.

2nd Coals brought by Mr. Prettejohns
A. A. 88

6th Filled up Form Schedules etc.
yearly average 51 for elder scholars
32 in Infants' room

9th Ordinary progress

to 16th The Stones attend badly. A. A. 91

22nd Visited by H. M. Inspector and
Rev. C. Finzel.
Upper Standards examined in
in reading

23rd A. A. 90.6

29th School examined. Friday was a
holiday.

June 4th Rec.d Parchment etc.

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June 4th 1890 Entry on Teacher's Parchment
"The order is very good and the
children have passed a very
creditable examn. especially in the
lower standards."

" 6th Five children left who have passed
in the higher standards.

to A. A. 81.7 changed classes.
3 children in 6th Std. 8 in the 5th, 12 in the 4th
12 in 3rd 13 in 2nd 16 in Std. I

" 13th New set of Reading Books ordered for
Standard II. A. A. this week 86.7

" 20th Emma Blank, Florence Stone, Helena Stone
have left school but are not entitled to a
certificate having failed in one subject at
last examination also S. James & A. Deacon.

" 23rd Rec.d Books from Mr. Taylor, Century Readers
Std. II. Gave the children certificate cards.

" 24th Mrs. F. Dure left after ten year's service in this
school.

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June 27th 1890 A. A. 89
Rec.d Inspector's Report

Mixed School. "The order is very good and Grammar
is decidedly better than last year, but the Reading is
not as intelligent as it should be, especially in the
fourth Standard and the Arithmetic is poor in
the third & fourth standards. The results

of the examination on the whole are very creditable to the teachers. The ages of many of the children as given in the Admission Register are incorrect, and all the ages should be carefully checked."

Infant's Class "The Infants are under very good discipline and have been well and carefully taught."

The Board must take care that the Registers are carefully and accurately kept, and they should check the correctness of the entries at least once a quarter at irregular intervals. Article 96©

F.Dure and A. Logan are continued under article 84

Signed C. Cory Mistress

J. Harris Square
Clerk to the Stokenham School Board

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July 9th Ex.d Registers and found them correct

Signed N. L. Pitts

Prizes for good attendance given away by the Vicar & Chairman

11th Ordinary routine

The Vicar

Teachers & children contributed towards a writing-desk for

Mrs. F. Dure on her leaving Huccombe School.

18th Rec.d Oriel Readers Std. ! 24

25th A. A. for qtr. ended 86.

Aug 1st A. A. 84.9 Girls marking Samplers

" 8th Ordinary progress

" 14 Closed for Harvest Holidays

Sep 1st Resumed work. Fair Attendance.

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1890

Sep 19 Fair progress

26th All Stds. above the 1st have marked samplers, and have done the work much better than formerly, giving less trouble to the teacher and showing better judgment, which I think is owing to the kindergarten exercises whilst in the Infant's Room
1st Class Infants and Std. I girls knitting scarves. A. A. this week 87.

Oct 2nd
“ 4th Children learning New Songs etc.
8 girls absent today and 12 boys
Examined Registers
and found them correct.
Signed N. L. Pitts
Chairman

“ 9th Work this week satisfactory.
A.A. 81
“ 16th Slate pencils wanted A. A. 82

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Oct 24th Rec.d slate pencils, blotting paper
and 2 boxes pens from Mr. Taylor.
“ 31st Coals delivered 1 ton. H. Prettejohn
Teacher absent to attend at death of her Husband
Nov. 7th Wood delivered H. Prettejohns
Comforters finished. Std. I.
The attendance of T. Stone's children
is very bad.

“ 14th Fair Progress
“ 21st Learning New Songs.
“ 28th Chimneys smoky – fair attendance
with exceptions.

Dec 5 A satisfactory week's work done.
“ 12 Ordinary routine.

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1890
Dec 19th Weather very cold and dark.
work satisfactory. Penholders
wanted. A. A. 80.4
School closed for Christmas Holiday
two weeks.

Jan. 1891

“ 5th Resumed work – several scholars
absent, open 8 times only. The Vicar
gave the Sunday Scholars a Treat
at Stokenham.
Admitted Clare Elise Cricket
Std. I. from Thurlstone school.
A. A. 62
“ 7th
to
“ 16th Attendance improved. A. A. 72.2

“ 23rd Attendance fallen off again thro S. S. Treats
25th Very good attendance in upper Stds.
26th Several absent today. Measles has
to broken out. Asked for instructions
of the Chairman of S. Board.
Dr. Smith called after dismissal

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1891

Jan 27th

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saying there were 11 cases at Beesands
and that I ought to close the School
but that he had no authority not being
the Medical officer. I told him I would
obey promptly on receiving orders.
42 children at school, one boy from a
home where his sister has measles
sent him home, John Lynn.
Mr. Pitts has just called saying he has
had a note from Mr. Finzel advising
Huccombe School should be closed.
Registers not marked. Mr. Pitts calling early.
Third Qr. of School year ended this week.
All the knitting for H. M. Inspectors exam
finished and some of the garments,
most of the needlework is advanced.

March 2nd to
“ 6th
to 8th

Resumed work, after 5 weeks.
Several children have measles
yet.

Paper wanted. Rec.d from Taylor
Foolscap & blotting paper.

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1890

March 8th

Attendance very bad in Infants room
elder scholars fair.

No Map of England,
New flue wanted for Infants' Room.

“ 9th Terrible storm, children fetched
from school by parents and
friends.

“ 23rd Roads impassable for a fortnight
to and the school year nearly ended.
The school has been closed abt.
3 months this year. I feel obliged
to work harder than ever
to recover the lost time.
I think it best to let two or three
of those who have been ill be

“ 27th examined in a lower standard
they seem to have no energy.
Coke rec.d by Rogers & coals Prettejohn

Rec.d Forms

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1890
April 3rd Tape 2 pieces cotton & needles pd. Lynn for
carriage of parcel, also Rogers.

H. Dunn swept chimneys, still too dold
to let out fires.

6th
to 10th Admitted W. Honewill Infant.
Attendance of elder scholars good.
Copy Books wanted also penholders.

“ 13th Visited by Chairman of School Board
who examined Registers & the work
of some of the Classes, gave
a penny each to M. Mitchel & F. Stone
for good Dictation.
New Class Registers from Taylor's
Also Sum. and Admission Registers.

“ 17th Good attendance this week.
Work satisfactory. Average 90.1
Rec.d Materials from Mats. Infts. Tope
A. A. 90.1

“ 20th Materials from Miss Tope
“ 24th “ “ Mr. Gill
Copy Books, slates, Penholders & pencils

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1891 April 23 Examination papers Map, 2 boxes pens
carriage 1/ per Logan

“ 24th Returned vouchers to Mr. Square
Examined Registers & found them
correct. W. L. Pitts

“ 30th 1 yd. calico for Infants' work.
May 7th Attendance improved this week A. A. 99.6
2 Yds. grey calico for Infants 2 yds white for older
girls, coloured cotton etc. A. A. 99.6

“ 15th Admitted E. Patey, E. Crocker A. A. 100.4
16th School whitewashed
“ 22nd A. A. this week 94 Whitsun week.

“ 25th Annual Inspection

29th
June 5th Samuel Durr left
A. A. 95.4
Transferred the Infants 1st Class to
the First Standard.

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- 1891 June 12th Rhoda Lynn, Clara Trout and Elizth Stone are not in attendance, the parents say they will not send them to school any more. E. Stone is ten years old and attended 89 days only last year. A. A. this week 97.4
- “ 19th A. A. 97.1
- “ 22nd Rec.d ink from Mr. Gill. Teacher sick absent today in consequence.
- “ 26th A. A. 98
to 29th Admitted William Hoskin, E. Prettejohn
John Prettejohn.
- July 3rd Rec.d Government Report
School closed one day this week, children attend an Annual Flower Service at Stokenham Church A. A. 99.6
- “ 10th A. Attendance 97.8
- “ 17th Ordinary routine. Fair progress

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July 3rd 1891 17a/61

Stokenham Huccombe Board School (Devon)

Annual Report of H. M. Inspector (Copy)

Mixed School. “The children should speak out more distinctly, the Arithmetic is not strong in the first class, and the children know but litte practically of Grammar, the girls in the fourth Standard being especially weak in this subject; but the instruction on the whole is good, the Needlework being particularly creditable. The order is good.”

Infants' Class “The infants are in very good order and have been well taught, the Needlework generally and the condition of the first class being especially good.”

H. Burgain is recognised under Article 68
and A. Logan is continued under that Article
Signed C. Cory Head Mistress H. Burgain
A. Login Infant's Teacher

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1891

July 10th Average attendance 97.8

“ 17th Fair progress A. A. 102.1
Three girls have not attended since
the annual examination.

“ 20 Admitted 5 children.

“ 21st Philip Partridge Skedgewells 3 A. Quick
Visited by A. Quick newly appointed
Attendance officer, instructed to bring
the absentees to school.

“ 24th Average attendance this quarter 98.7
“ 30th No afternoon attendance, children attending a
Sunday School Treat at Hallsands.

31st A. A. 102
Aug 3rd. Bank Holiday, Kellaton Sunday School Treat
No attendance.

“ 7th A. A. 97 4 boys absent for the week.

“ 13th Registers tested by Mr. Pitts

“ 14th Harvest Holidays 4 weeks by order of
the School Board.

Sep 14th No School Fees to be received in future.
Resumed work with good attendance.

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Sep 14th to Admitted Alice Windsor, Edward & Harry
1891 Rec.d 1 gross of copy books, Foolscap & Blotting paper
Average attendance 82.

“ 22nd Visited by the Vicar and Mrs. Finzel who gave
away the Prizes for good attendance.
No girl of the older scholars earning one
and only one among the Infants. B. Deacon
whilst only 19 boys took prizes.

“ 25th Admitted 4 children from the Coast Guard Station.
Average attendance this week 107.6

“ Good week's work done
Full school. A. A. 111.3
There are 128 children on the school Registers
Offices should be cleaned P. 59

“ 29th Gave all scholars in attendance a
packet of sweets. The Vicar's gift
on the 22nd. 123 children present.

“ 30th A., A. this week 115.3

Oct.r 7th Rec.d wool for examination work from
Miss Tope. A. A. 117.3 school closed
for Harvest Festival Tuesday.

“ 16th A. A. fallen to 108.6

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- Oct. 23rd 1891 End of quarter. A. A. for qr. 105.78
- “ 29th Visited by Chairman of School Board
who tested Registers
- 30th week's a. attendance 111.9
- Nov. 6th Ordinary progress, most of the knitting
done for Inspection. A. A. 109.98
- “ 13th Schoolrooms overrun with rats,
playground (boys') very muddy owing
to a leak in boundary wall which lets
in the water from the field.
- “ 18th At 11.35 a.m. Mr. Crickett and his wife
came to the school asking whether there
were any rules here. I replied “there are
Mr. C.” he said “I request to see them.”
I showed them into my room and
got the New Code for them, returning
to my work, teaching 36 children in the
upper standards. They remained here
till 1 o'clock. Mr. C. asked whether I

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- Nov 18th 1891 had authority to put a child into a lower
Standard than that in which it was examined
last and calling me from my work, read out
for my benefit Mr. Lords' Instructions to Inspectors.
I remarked that it in no way concerned
me, not being an Inspector, or having
punished children severely, he said
“You parted my child's hair on her forehead”
I said “Yes I did, it went into her eyes and prevented
her seeing her work.” Mrs. C. then said “how dare
you touch her hair?” and behaved herself most
rudely. I might fill pages with the impertinence
of these persons, finishing up with a request
that I should apologise to Mrs. C. and say
“I was sorry.” I said that if after he had
brought the matter before the S. Board
and the Board thought I had done
wrong in any way I would apologise
before the whole school.
- “ 20th A. A. 103

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- Nov. 27th 1891 Ink & pens from Mr. Gill
4 pictures from Peak Freaan
Children have worked well this week
A. A. 106.1

Dec 4th Most of the knitting for the Annual Inspection done and seven pairs of stockings besides. Std. I have mostly done comforters also the Infants.
Visited by Mr. Pitts who has warned the boys to expect punishment for breaking rules in future.

Dec 11th Visited by School attendance officer. Sydney Hawkins had made 19 attendances pos 50 been employed by a Farmer father a coast guard with only two children.

Dec 18th Many children absent, having chickenpox
A. A. 90

Dec 23 very few children in attendance 52.2
Mistress sick Bronchitis & Influenza.

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Jan 11th 1892 Duties resumed. 72 children present today. Mrs. Logan in charge and Miss Burgain in Infant's room. Mrs. Cory not well enough to be out of doors. A. A. 84.2

15th
18th
to 22nd Mrs. Cory returned to school duties
Visited by attendance officer who has given notices to those who are attending irregularly. The weather has prevented many from coming today.
A. A. 97.8 Taught Infants New Song.

29th Kept in E. Skedgewell half an hour today she copies the other girls; work in spite of all the means used to prevent it a miserably dirty girls. The father came to the school and forced his way into the Class room tho refused admission, very abusive, and setting his back to the wall set his foot against the door prevented its being shut, cursing and using bad language.

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Jan 29th/92 A. A. 111.5
Average this quarter 99.99
Yearly to end of 2rd quarter 100.258

Feb 5th 22 boys only present on Monday, away at Torcross to the coot shooting.
Ordinary progress A. A. 98.3

“ 8th School very wet, scrubbed on Saturday not wiped dry, caught a bad cold and worried for consequences to the children. A. A. 99.3

12th

“ 17 Mr. Quick called to open Teacher's desk
lock out of order
19th Several boys absent to-day. A. A. 99

26th Fair progress. Many children absent
the whole week, not sick. The Stones
5 and Clara Trout.

March 1st Visited by Chairman of S. Board who
to tested Registers. A. A. 9292
4th

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March 11th Small attendance of Infants owing to
1892 severe weather. Fair in Big Room.
About 79 children in Standard I to V
to be presented at Annual Inspection
to 14th Several children sick in school today
had to send home Hetty Patey, Norah Lynn
John & George Moore, Sydney Hawkin &
Willie Pepperell. Have heard scarlet fever
is in the neighbourhood.

18th Coals brought by H. Prettejohn 15 cwt.
22nd Mr. Adams Inspector of Nuisance called.
25th Several children sick

28th Attended a meeting of the S. Board
ordered to close the school by
order of Dr. Twining, Sanitary Authority
on account of scarlet Fever
School been open 401 times.
Rec.d Forms sent away Form 8.

May 9th School reopened with good
to attendance A. A. 113
13th Admitted 6 new scholars.

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1892
May 20th Several children sick again.
Date of Inspection changed to the
24th. The children have done their
best to make up for lost time
to Rec.d slate pencils, calico, flannel
cotton etc. from Mr. Pengelly.
Examination Papers & ink
Foolscap & pens from Mr. Gill.
“ 23rd 7 children sick, Infts.
to
May 24th Annual Inspection
to 27th A. A. 99.9 penholders wanted.

May 30th 84 children present today.

to Admitted 5 in the Infant's Room
Desk-room short.
May 31st Present 87 older scholars.
Admitted Alfred Dure, Infant.

June 3rd Good progress this week.
A. A. 105.4

“ 10th Average attendance 104.2

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June 17th 1892 Children taking good interest
in their work.
A. A. 112
3 in Std. 6, 16 in Std. 5, 17 in Std. 4
17 in Std. 3, 21 in Std.2, 18 in Std. 1
Rec.d 4 doz Exercise (Penny) Books (Pengelly)

“ 24th Fair progress. A. A. 108.7
Reading books wanted for Std. V
only 10 books (Comprehension) amongst
to 15 in Standard V & 3 Std.VI children
and these many years old.
130 children on Registers.
93 Elder scholars & 37 Infants.
Admitted two Infts.

July 1st Gilbert Priter & Flora Shepherd Inft. Class
Place swarmed with rats, they
come out and walk about the

“ 7th in school. School closed.
Children's Annual Flower Service.

“ 8th 14 boys absent this afternoon.
A. A. 108.3

“ 13th Registers tested by Mr. Pitts.

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1892
July 15th Very fair progress. A. A. 100.1

“ 22nd Rec.d Books for Std. V. from Mr. Gill.
A. A. 100.1

“ 29th End of 1st school Quarter

Average attendance 1st Quarter of
school year 106.108
as against 98 last year.

Aug 3rd Received Inspector's report.
“ 5th Several children absent today from
upper Stds. pens wanted
Copy Books wanted.

A. A. this week 97

No Notice of Nomination of S. Board
Members has been sent to this
School.

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Aug 5th 1892 Government Report

“The fourth is a weak Standard in
Spelling and Arithmetic, and English
has not been more than fairly taught,
but the Needlework is good;
the children have passed on the
whole a creditable examination
and the order is very good.”

Infants' Class “Good order is
 maintained in
the Infants' Class and the children
have been very carefully taught.
Their needlework is good.”

In consequence of H. M. Inspectors
explanation My Lords have paid
the Grant although Drawing
has not been taught in the
School. But the Board should
take care to appoint in

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succession to the present Mistress a Teacher
who can teach Drawing (Article 85(b)
The Registers must be checked on behalf
of the Board at least once a quarter,
at irregular intervals, as required by
paragraph 6 of the Circular on Registration
(Appendix II of the Revised Instructions
to H. M. Inspectors) Attention is requested
to Article 85 (d)

H. Burgain and A. Logan are
continued under article 68.
Signed C. Cory Mistress

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Aug 12th
1892 Broke up for Harvest Holidays.
A. A. this week 95.5
Left Statement of Accts. on
School door.

Sep 5th to
9th Resumed work with 54 elder children
17 in Infts. Class
A. A. 84.7

“ 16 Better attendance this week
Average 100
Ordinary routine.

“ 23rd Visited by attendance officer
Average 107.2

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Sep 23rd
1892 to Attended a Meeting of the School
Board.

“ 28th Reading Books wanted for Std. 5
one set only provided; whilst
many books in use are worn
out. Desk room insufficient.
No copy-books in school.
The lavatory is out of order, pipes
burst last winter want repairing
gave notice of it to the clerk
many months ago.

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Sep 30th Miss Cole took charge
of the school.
Temporarily engaged.

Oct. 7th Attendance throughout the
week somewhat irregular.
Special attention directed to
faults of reading and to
the teaching of Grammar
Standards III to V commenced
their specimen needlework –
Deficiency in the supply of
material.

Oct. 14th Needlework lessons suspended
in consequence of lack of
material.
Attendance throughout the
week irregular. Several cases
of slight indisposition.
Boys employed in potato
fields.

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Oct 21st. The needlework Material has
been supplied. A new
desk and a harmonium

added to the school furniture.
Half a ton of coal received.
The Rev. the Vicar visited –
the attendance has improved.
General Progress – fair.

Oct. 28th The average this week has
been reduced by the bad
weather, especially of Tuesday
& Thursday.
Examination Needlework
commenced and Recitation
of Standard I

Nov. 4th The attendance this week
also has been to some extent
affected by the very wet
weather, but many have
come long distances in
spite of it.
Visited by attendance officer.

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The entire school remained
in to dinner today. The
play-ground in a very
sloppy condition.

Nov. 8th Many absent on the sick
list – especially boys –
evidently the result of
exposure to the weather.

Nov. 15th Increasing sickness. Bad
colds – inflammation of the
lungs etc.
Some improvement discernible
in the style of reading.
Special attention also directed
to Mental Arithmetic & Recitation.

Nov. 14th Another boy seriously ill with
inflammation of the lungs.
Received Blackies C. Readers
for 1st Class Dr. Beach's for
Infants. Exercise Books.

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Blackie's Grammars. Midland
Arithmetic's etc.

Nov. 18th Attendance reduced by
bad weather and sickness.
Fair progress.

“ 25th Rate of attendance slightly improved.
8 boys caned and admonished for acts of indecency.
Special attention given to the mental arithmetic of Standard I. All classes showing great lack of intelligence in this subject, as well as in Reading.

John Steer punished for repeated truancy.

Dec. 2nd Rate of Attendance slightly improved.
Some improvement perceptible.

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in the Reading of the first Class.

Dec. 9th Considerable improvement in the rate of attendance.
Two absent on the sick list.
General progress fairly satisfactory.
Several boys admonished & some caned for misbehaviour out of school.

“ 12th Many absent today in consequence of the stormy weather.

“ 16th Mr. Pitts called tested the Registers.
School closed for Xmas Vacation.

Dec. 16 to
Jany 9th

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Jan.y 9th

School re-opened after 3 weeks holiday –
A very stormy morning in consequence so few presented themselves that the ordinary routine was not proceeded with and they were soon dismissed.

“ 10th A better attendance work proceeding as usual.

Many absent with various excuses.

- 12th Received 15 cwt. of coals
5 cwt of Coke, 5 cwt of firewood.
- Susan Wills being unable to do the cleaning etc. of the school on account of ill health – her place supplied for the present by Charlotte Will.

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- 12th Nearly all the Kellaton children absented themselves to attend a Tea at the Chapel.
- 13th A supply of Copy-books received
Black boards & Easel still wanted as also the necessary apparatus for school cleaning.
Water pipe repaired.
- 20th The attendance throughout the week has been very irregular.
Children of Kellaton & of Beesands absenting themselves the whole day to attend a school treat in the evening.
Extra time given to Grammar of the upper standards.
Harmonium withdrawn.
- 27 Usual routine with fair progress
Play-ground in a very wretched condition making it impossible to avoid muck dirt & discomfort

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- Feb. 3rd in school.
A falling off in the attendance again this week.
Annie Burgain – monitress unable to attend in consequence of sickness.
The state of the play-ground remedied to a certain extent.
Some cleaning apparatus allowed (Bess Broom, scrubbing brush & soda).
- Feb. 6th The school presented an unusually clean & tidy appearance this morning having been well scrubbed etc. on Saturday.

7th Hetty Burgain still absent.
Saml. Perrie & Harry Rogers caned
for fighting in the Play-Ground

10th Examinations this week have
given fresh proof of the weakness
of the upper standards in Spelling
Arithmetic & Grammar too

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were characterised by much
inaccuracy and want of
intelligence.

The Instruction is much
hampered by want of the
necessary Black boards –
Absent on the sick list
4 boys and 3 girls.

Feb. 17th The Attendance throughout
the past week has been most
irregular. Many reported
sick. The very bad weather
has been some excuse.
A list of irregular attendants
sent to the Attendance Officer.
The Discipline this week suffered
in consequence of the bad influence
of the one 6th Standard boy.
This boy attends school very irregu-
larly and induced 4 others to
play truant on Wednesday afternoon.

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24th The Attendance continues most
irregular in consequence of
the continued wet weather
and consequent sickness.
The ink received from
Brooks' is of such bad quality
as to be scarcely fit for use
occasioning much inconveni-
ence.

March 3rd Examinations during the past
week shew much inaccura-
cy in spelling of common
words and also in
Arithmetic.

First Standard requires
a Teacher with more anima-
tion and energy. The
Attendance has not improved
this week.

“ 10th The Ink returned to Mr.

Brooks.
A harmonium provided
temporarily by the mistress.

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- 11 and a Portrait of Her Majesty
to replace Peak Frean & Co's Adv.t
Saw Mr. Pitts respecting the
necessary Window Blinds &
Curtains.
Much inconvenience arising
from the school possessing but
one Black board & that of an
unsatisfactory character.
Several sets of Reading Books
are in a very dilapidated condition.
The Maseys (Coast Guard Sta)
removed from Hallsands.
The school thereby loses five very
promising scholars.
- 18th Several cases of sickness reported
and much irregularity with
no satisfactory reason for absence.
- 20th The Rev. C. Finzel visited the
school and exam.d the Registers.

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- 24th Attendance throughout the
week unsatisfactory.
Several cases of sickness
reported.
- 31st
April 3rd Good Friday School closed.
Easter Monday many absent
in the morning. Sweets
distributed in the morning –
(kindly supplied by the Rev.
C. Finzel – Vicar) Holiday in
the afternoon.
- “ 10th A circus at Tor Cross so reduced
the numbers attending that
holiday was considered advis-
able in the afternoon.
- “ 17 Three fresh children admitted
in the Infants' room.
- “ 21st Attendance fairly satisfactory.

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- April 28th Enquiries respecting the absence of 3 first class boys elicited that they had left. Examinations this week shew considerable advance in Arithmetic. but the spelling of the First Class is still very weak. New curtains put up to the windows.
- May 8th Examinations continued through this week. Notice of Annual Govt. Inspection received.
- “ 15th Attendance & progress fairly satisfactory.
- “ 19th General progress – satisfactory.
- “ 26th The Annual Government Inspection.
No. present:- 76 older scholars
“ “ 38 Infants

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List of Object Lessons for
Infant Department – 93.4

- 1 Chalk
- 2 Copper
- 3 Pea & Bean
- 4 Milk
- 5 Iron
- 6 Turnip & Carrot
- 7 Cabbage
- 8 Salt
- 9 Tea
- 10 Coins
- 11 Brass
- 12 Leather
- 13 A Ball
- 14 Gloves
- 15 Sugar
- 16 A Bell
- 17 A Coat
- 18 Otter
- 19 Goat
- 20 Elephant
- 21 Bear
- 22 Viper
- 23 Crab
- 24 Camel

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- 25 Blacksmith's Shop

26 Shoe makers' shop
27 Outside of a House
28 A Railway Station
29 The Sea shore
30 Catching Fish
Approved F. Wilkinson H.M.I. 26.1.94

May 29th Classes & Standards re-arranged
4 fresh Infants admitted.

June 1st & 2nd Holiday. The attendance
during the 3 days previous
being very irregular.

“ 9th The attendance this week also
marked by much irregularity
The new year's work proceeding
fairly.
List of absentees forwarded to the
Attendance Officer.

“ 16th Rate of Attendance much the same

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as of the week preceding.
The attention of the Board's officer
again called to this matter.
The Trout's of Hallsands never
attend more than 4 days out of the 5
frequently not more than 3 or 3 ½
their example being copied by
others from that locality.

June 19th Received the Report of H.M.I.
Copy:-
Mixed School The written
Arithmetic is poor in the third
Standard & in no class can
the children do much in Arithmetic
mentally but they have passed
on the whole a creditable examin
ation in the elementary subjects
and Grammar though a little
weak in some of the standards
has been fairly taught.
The order is very good.
Infants' Class The children

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have been in all respects
well & carefully taught
and the order is very good.
H. Burgain & N. Login
are continued under Article
68 of the Code

June 28th A. Cole
Certif. Mistress
J. Harris Square
Gifts of Window Plants
received from Mrs. Trout
Bickerton.

Holiday from
July 28 to
Aug. 26

Sep 5. School opened
Many absent

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12 Attendance slightly
improved.

19 Visit from Rev. E. H. Cox
Visit from attendance
officer. Many absentees
unaccounted for.

26 New apparatus required
& list sent in
to Board Meeting

Oct 4th 1893 School visited without notice
W. M. C. England

Oct 6th A slight improvement in
the rate of attendance.

“ 13th General working of the
school fairly satisfactory.
A list of the most irregular
attendants sent in to the
School Board Meeting
together with a long statement
of apparatus in which the

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school is at present
deficient.

Oct 20th Caned Wm. Steer, Beesands
for Truancy & gross
misbehaviour
Three upper Standard
boys left for farm
service.

“ 27th Received the new supply
of Reading books, exercise
& copy books etc. and
started on Examination

Needlework.
Rev. E. H. Cox came and
photographed the children.

- Nov. 3rd Attendance & progress fairly
satisfactory.
“ 10th Visit from Rev. E. H. Cox & Miss Cox.
Attendance marked by much
irregularity. Enquiries

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elicited that several upper
standard boys had entered
farm service.
One fifth Standard boy remaining.

- Nov. 13th Mrs. Startice & Miss Bickerstall
visited the school.
“ 17th Attendance & progress
fairly satisfactory.
“ 24th The usual routine – with
nothing special to remark.
“ 30th The Teaching of Drawing
commenced this week.
Dec. 8th Received from Mr. Gill
Historical Readers for Stand III
“ 12 The weather so stormy that
holiday was permitted
very few presenting themselves.

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- Dec 13th Thos. Stone & James Parker
punished for stealing
turnips and telling lies
about it.
Dec. 22nd School closed for the
Christmas holidays.
Jan 15 School re-opened after three
weeks' holiday. An extra
week having been necessitated
by the very severe weather –
the roads rendered impassable
by the snow.
“ 19 Much confusion and trouble
occasioned by the insubordi-
ation of several lads in the

upper standards.

“ 22nd The morning was so wet that only a very few children presented themselves.

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These were shortly dismissed & the school closed for the day.

24th The School was visited by Mr. Pitts Chairman of the Board who examined the Registers.

26th School visited without notice F. Wilkinson
H.M.I.

Feb 2nd The Attendance throughout the week has been irregular Bad weather & sickness given as excuses for non-attendance The Monitor absent greater part of the week from sickness.

“ 9th General progress much retarded by irregularity of attendance 4 days a week being the rule with several children from

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Hallsands, notably the Trouts whose example in this respect has evidently influenced several others who were formerly in the habit of attending regularly. Some cases of sickness still.

16th The average still on the decrease. The children are absent without any reason whatever. Friday afternoon by many being regularly regarded as a holiday.

23rd This week several cases of sickness reported but evidently very slight. School progressing as well as can reasonably be expected considering the rate of attendance.
Visit of Attendance Officer

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on Wednesday.

March 2nd

Many cases of sickness reported. School work much interrupted at times by coughing throughout the school.

March 5th

Out of 41 infants on Register only 20 present today. Bad colds or slight attacks of influenza epidemic among the children of the district.

“ 8th

A very wet morning. Very few children in consequence. Only 8 infants out of 41.

“ 13th

Several children suffering from tooth & ear-ache & from colds consequent upon the daily exposure to the continuous windy & rainy weather.

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March 16th

An improvement this week in the rate of attendance, but bad colds & effects of recent influenza still common. Examination Needlework completed & put away. Specimen practice still necessary. Drawing being excused for this year, this subject has been discontinued for a time.

March 22nd

Many absent today.

“ 23rd

Good Friday School closed.

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March 27th

C. Saunders took charge of the School

“ 30th

Reading has been taken as the second instead of the third lesson for Stand III. It is impossible to keep to the Time-table in this lesson and to take Reading for Stds. III, IV, V and VI together.

- April 6th The Attendance has been very fair this week.
- “ 15th Good Attendance on Wednesday and today.
- “ 20th The Reading of the 3rd Standard has much improved in expression and enunciation. Some 4th Std. boys read very indistinctly and the final letters are often omitted.
- “ 27th Good Attendance this week. Some improvement in Reading of Std. IV

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- May 2nd Singing was taken this afternoon from 3 to 4 o'clock instead of the usual lessons.
- May 9th Small attendance today owing to wet weather.
- “ 15th Owing to a Fair at Beesands this afternoon, the attendance has been very small indeed, only 48 were present.
- May 25th Attendance good today, 70 present.

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List of Object Lessons for Infants 1894 – 95

Natural Productions

1. Wild Flowers
2. Cotton
3. Rice
4. A Tree
5. Covering of Animals

Industries

6. Bricks
7. A Kettle
8. A Slate
9. A Table
10. A Candle
11. An Umbrella
12. Bedsteads
13. Paper
14. Butter
30. A Book

Natural History

15. Butterfly
 16. Robin
 17. Mackerel
 18. Wolf
 19. Bat
 20. Cat
 21. Lion
 22. Dog
 23. Hedgehog
- #### Miscellaneous
24. Bread
 25. Meat
 26. A Farm-yard
 27. A Letter
 28. Our Nails
 29. Autumn

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List of Recitations for 1894 – 95

Std. I. The Reaper and the Flowers (Longfellow)
“ II The Children’s Hour “
“ III Barbara Frietchie (Whittier)
Stds. IV, V, VI, VII Horatius (Macaulay)

Approved
F. Wilkinson H.M.I.
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May 28th Annual Government Inspection held
today.

May 29th to
June 1st Holiday

June 4th Classes and Standards re-arranged.
Teaching of Drawing commenced.

“ 8th Many of older scholars have
been absent all the week.

“ 15th Attendance rather better this
week but some children come
very irregularly every week.
The Tonic Solfa will be taught
this year.

“ 19th A good attendance today, 76
present.

“ 21st Received the Report etc.

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June 1894 Copy of Inspector’s Report

Mixed School. “The Arithmetic might be a
little stronger, and it is somewhat
difficult to draw out in oral
questioning what the children know,
but the results of the examination
are so uniformly good that the
higher grant has been fairly earned
under Article 101(a) of the Code.
The Writing Grammar and Needlework
are especially good.
The children are in very good order.”

Infants’ Class “The children are in very good

order, and the elementary subjects have been very creditably taught. With more attention to the Object Lessons and Employments, the class would be entitled to the highest Variable Grant.”

A Login and H. Burgain are continued under Article 68.

C. Saunders Certif. Mistress

J. Harris Square

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June 29th

Usual work this week. Lists of words from reading books are learnt for Home Lessons by all the children. Less time can thus be devoted to spelling in the reading lessons and more to the explanation of difficult words and phrases as well as the Geography in Geographical Readers.

July 6th

Some children attend very badly and their names have been given to the Attendance Officer.

July 12th

“ 13th

Holiday given for a Flower Service. Only 56 older scholars present and 22 Infants.

“ 20th

Usual work. Some children are so slow in Arithmetic in Std. 3 that they will have to be placed in Std. 2 in that subject unless they

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soon make some better progress.

July 27th

School opened at 1.39 and closed at 4 p.m. instead of at 4.30 p.m. This will be done to secure a better attendance if possible on Friday afternoons. Visit by the Chairman (this afternoon) who tested the Registers and stayed during the Singing Lesson.

July 30th

Holiday was obliged to be given this afternoon owing to the very small number present, there being a Menagerie at Torcross.

Aug. 6th Holiday today – Bank Holiday.

“ 10th School closed today for the Summer Vacation.

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Sep. 10th School re-opened after a month's holiday.

“ 14th Small attendance all the week.

“ 21st Several of the older scholars have left School, some of these have only passed the 4th Standard.

“ 28th Attendance somewhat improved, but several have been absent all the week.

Oct. 2nd Owing to a “Tea” at Hallsands and Beesands, very few children came this afternoon, only 37 altogether. They were therefore dismissed at once.

Oct. 8th A lesson in Musical Drill was given by Mistress to the Infants this morning.

Oct 29th Visited the school
& examined the Registers
Conrad Finzel

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Oct 19th Very fair progress is being made in Tonic Solfa. Children can sing notes from the Modulator much better.

“ 22nd Visit by the Chairman who tested the Registers.

“ 29th Rev. C. Finzel visited School to-day and examined the Registers.

Nov. 2nd The Attendance has been very small this week, owing to wet weather.

Nov 8th. Mistress called away owing to the death of brother.

Nov. 12th School left in charge of Mrs. Login. Registers not marked owing to

the small number of children present.

Nov. 14th Owing to the very severe weather

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only a very small number of children came to School this morning. These were dismissed at once as they were so wet.

Nov. 23rd Attendance much better this week.

“ 30th The Attendance Officer visited School this afternoon.

Dec. 7th The 3rd and 4th Stds have attended well this week.

Dec. 14th A very small attendance of girls today.

“ 21st School closed for the Xmas Holidays.

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Jan 7th School re-opened after a fortnight's vacation.

“ 10th A small attendance today, owing to the snow, 45 older scholars and only 9 Infants being present this morning. As the snow was falling very fast the children were dismissed at two o'clock and the School closed for the afternoon so that they might reach home before the snow became very deep.

“ 11th Only 5 Infants were present today, and 39 older scholars. Mrs. Login has been absent all the week owing to the death of a relative.

“ 18th The attendance is still small, very few Infants present all the week.

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Jan. 25th Attendance better on Wednesday.

“ 29th Only 27 children came to School

this morning owing to the weather
These were shortly dismissed and
the School closed for the day.

“ 30th As there were only 24 children present
this morning the registers were not marked.
Mrs. Login was obliged to be absent
yesterday and to-day owing to a cold.
Annie Burgain is absent to-day
for the same reason.

Feb. 1st Registers were not marked again to-day
as so few children presented themselves.

Feb 8th The attendance has been very small
indeed all the week.
Today the number was so small
(26) that the registers were again
not marked.

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Feb 11th) Registers not marked owing to
“ 15th) the very small attendance.
The weather is so severe that
the children who have to come
some distance (most of them come
a distance of more than a mile)
cannot come to School.

Feb. 22nd Attendance improved but several are
still absent.

Feb. 27th Mistress absent owing to a cold.

Mar 1st. Mistress absent yesterday and this morning.
March 4th Owing to the snow very few were
present today.

“ 7th A better attendance today.

“ 13th Owing to the death of a relative
Mistress was absent on Monday
and Tuesday.

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March 22nd Attendance poor on Wednesday.

“ 29th Some children continue to come very
irregularly and so make little
progress.

April 5th Tonic Solfa Ear Tests are done
very well by some of the older

girls.

- “ 13th Holiday to-day – Good Friday.
- “ 18th Attendance good yesterday and to-day.
- “ 19th In consequence of the Drawing Examination the girls did not come to school to-day and the boys had holiday in the afternoon.
- “ 26th Two or three children continue to attend very irregularly.

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- April 30th Chairman visited and tested the Registers
- May 10th In order that more attention may be given by Mistress to Needlework the Boys' Drawing Lessons have been given up for the present till the Examination is over.
- “ 17th Attendance very good this week.
- “ 24th The Clerk of the School Board visited the School this week.

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List of Object Lessons for Infants 1895-96

Industries

1. Soap
2. Vinegar
3. Gloves
4. A Glass Bottle
5. Ink
6. A Looking Glass
7. Catching Fish
8. Sugar

Natural History

9. The Sheep
10. The Otter
11. The Tiger
12. The Horse
13. The Cow
14. The Mouse
15. The Herring

Natural Productions

16. An Apple
 17. A Carrot
 18. An Orange
 19. Milk
 20. Gold
 21. Coal
- #### Miscellaneous
22. A Shoemaker's Shop
 23. The Policeman
 24. The Post Office
 25. Spring
 26. A Storm
 27. A Yard-measure
 28. Coins
 29. Brass
 30. Pepper

Approved F. Wilkinson
28 May 95 H.M.I.

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List of Recitations for 1895 – 96

Standard I	The Storm	(Mrs. Hemand)
“ II	Bruce and the Spider	
“ III	The May Queen	(Tennyson)
Std. IV, V, VI, VII	Lines on the Receipt of My Mother's Picture	(Cowper)
“ VI, VII	Prince Arthur	(Shakespeare)

Approved F. Wilkinson
28.V.'95 H.M.I.

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- May 28th The Government Inspection took place today. A half-holiday was given in the afternoon.
- May 31st The School was closed today for a week's holiday.
- June 10th School opened with a very fair attendance.
The Report of the Drawing Examination was received today. The School is classed "Good."
- “ 14th Sixteen children have been transferred from the Infants' Class to Standard I.
- “ 21st The Attendance has been only fair this week.
Received the Report this week.
The Annual Inspection due in May 1896 will be omitted.

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June 1895 Copy of the Inspector's Report

Mixed School "The order is very good and the children have again passed a very creditable examination, the Writing, Spelling, Mental Arithmetic and Grammar deserving special mention, but the written Arithmetic of too many of the elder children is not much above fair, and the Reading, though as a rule accurate and fairly intelligent, might be more fluent."

Infants' Class "The order continues very good, and the children have been generally so well taught that the class is this year fairly entitled to the highest Variable Grant, but the Singing must much

improve, or it will not be possible
to recommend any Grant in future for it.
C. Saunders Certif: Mistress
A. Login)
H. Burgain) Article 68.

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- July 5th Usual work – very fair attendance.
- July 11th Holiday for a Flower Service.
- “ 19th Very small attendance on Wednesday
because of a Sunday School Treat
at Hallsands.
- “ 26th Some boys who have passed the 4th
Standard have left School.
- Aug. 2nd School closed for the Summer Holidays.
- Sep. 2nd School re-opened after a month's
vacation with an attendance of
72 older scholars and Infants.
- Sept 17 1895 School visited without notice.
W. M. C. England

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- Sep 6th Several 1st Class girls have been
absent all the week.
- “ 13th Attendance improved.
- “ 20th
and 27th The children are learning a new
song in two parts. This is
their first attempt at learning
the time and tune of a song
from music written on the blackboard.
- Oct 4th Owing to various “Harvest
Thanksgivings” many children
are often absent. On Tuesday
afternoon a very small number
came.
The Chairman tested the registers
yesterday.
- “ 11th Several are still absent for no
good reason - three having gone
away on a visit to friends.

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- Oct 18th The boys have attended well this week.
- “ 25th Edith Cole has been absent for a

month, she is visiting friends at Bideford.

- Nov. 1st Walter Moore (5th Std) is absent through illness.
- “ 8th A very wet week – attendance small in consequence.
- “ 15th A new song is being learnt in two parts “Say a kind word when you can.” Those who are learning the second part need a great deal of practice.
- “ 22nd Good progress in all subjects is being made by most of the children, some very irregular in attendance are backward.
The sentence-making in the standards in the word-building lessons

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requires a good deal of attention.

- Nov. 29th Some boys, both in the upper standards and lower classes, do not read fluently at all. A great deal of practice in reading aloud is necessary to improve their reading.
- Dec. 6th Several girls were absent to-day.
- “ 13th A better attendance this week.
- “ 17th Owing to the rain, only 25 children are present this morning and only 3 in the Infants' Class.
- “ 20th School closed today for a fortnight's holiday – The Chairman visited School.

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- Jan 6th School re-opened with an attendance of 68 of older scholars.

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- Jan 17th The attendance has been good all the week.
- “ 22nd Owing to a Service of Song at Hallsands there has been a small attendance today.
- “ 30th A Reading Lesson was substituted for the usual Recitation Lesson for

Std. III as they need a great deal of practice in reading. Some of them do not read at all fluently.

Feb. 6th A small attendance this afternoon owing to a Tea at Hallsands.

“ 14th Many children in the Infants Class have been absent for some time.

“ 21st The third standard children are improving in reading.

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Feb. 28th Emma Prettejohn has been absent for six weeks through illness.

Mar. 6th Sums are worked on paper now from Std. 3 upwards. Owing to irregularity of attendance the older children do not make great progress in Arithmetic.

“ 13th Florence Steer has been absent for three weeks because of illness.

“ 20th Poor attendance this week.

“ 27th The boys have attended better this week.

April 3rd Holiday – Good Friday

“ 6th & 7th Holiday for Easter Monday

“ 8th A small attendance – only 58 present this morning.

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1896 April 22nd Ex. Registers & found them correct. W. L. Pitts.

April 24th The Drawing Examination took place this afternoon so the girls had a half holiday.

“ 27th The Boys Drawing Lessons are discontinued for a time that more attention may be given to Arithmetic. Lessons in Arithmetic and Spelling are substituted for those in Drawing.

May 8th Problems are understood and

worked on Arithmetic test papers much better in all classes.

A boy in Standard III has been absent on two days this week and employed by a Carrier.

“ 15th John Stone has been absent again today driving a poly-trap.

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1896 to Kingsbridge, thus illegally employed as he has not passed the 3rd Standard.

20th May School visited under Art. 84.6 F. Wilkinson H.M.I.

May 22nd School closed for a week's holiday.

June 1st School re-opened only a fair attendance

June 5th An Object Lesson on the Fox was given by the pupil teacher to the 3rd Std. this morning instead of the usual Copy Book lesson. Only 63 present this afternoon owing to a steamer coming to Hallsands, a great many having gone to see its arrival.

June 12th Several of the older children have been absent all the week.

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June 178th Owing to the visit of a Menagerie at Torcross only a very small number came to School this morning. These were dismissed.

“ 19th Object Lessons on the “Parts of a Plant” were given this afternoon to the lower Stds and on “Leaves” to the 1st Class

“ 23rd Only 53 present owing to a Tea at Hallsands.

July 3rd Several of the older boys and girls have left School.

“ 10th Attendance only very fair this week.

“ 15th A very small number present

today owing to a Concert which is to be held this evening in this School room.

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- 1896
July 16th Flower Service at Stokenham Church – School closed for the day.
- “ 17th A very small number here – only 46 of older scholars.
- July 22nd School closed for the Summer Holidays
- Aug. 24th School re-opened after a month's vacation.
- Sep. 4th Attendance very small all the week many kept at home for no good reason.
- “ 10th Owing to Harvest Thanksgiving Services in the neighbourhood only 44 older scholars out of 78 and 25 Infants are present this afternoon.
- Sept. 16 1896 School visited without notice “84.b
W. M. C. England

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- 1896 Copy of the Inspector's Report
- Mixed School "The work for the year is very carefully planned out and the instruction is very intelligently imparted. Admirable order is maintained and it is almost superfluous to add that the school is a very good one."
- Infants' Class "The Singing is still not more than fairly satisfactory, but the infants are very carefully taught and take an intelligent interest in their work."

The Registers must be tested on behalf of the Board at least once a quarter, at irregular intervals as required by paragraph 6 of Appendix II of Instructions to Inspectors. Attention is directed to Article 85(d) of the Code.
H. Burgain and A. Login are continued

under Article 68.
C. Saunders. Certificated Mistress
J. Harris Square

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The omission of the Annual Inspection (due in May 1897) is sanctioned for the second time.

- Sep. 25th A very poor attendance on Tuesday.
- Oct. 2nd Attendance has been better this week.
- “ 9th Easy exercises in Composition are given to Standard 4. Some of these children are unable to compose even very simple sentences grammatically. A great deal of practice is needed by them in sentence-making orally, with the teacher.
- “ 16th Some new pictures for use in Object Lessons have been added to School stock.
- “ 23rd The pupil teacher has been absent since Wednesday owing to a cold.

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- Oct 30th A small attendance on Friday.
- Nov. 6th Some children in the upper standards attend so irregularly that it is impossible for them to make good progress especially in Arithmetic.
- “ 13th Spelling in Std 4 requires a great deal of attention.
- “ 20th Dictation improves a little in 4th Standard.
Afternoon work on Monday was commenced at 1.30 instead of 2 oclock, and ended at 4 instead of 4.30
- “ 27th A small attendance this afternoon.
- Dec. 4th Owing to very heavy rain only 18 children came this morning. A few more were present this afternoon.

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1896

Dec 11th

Drawing is taken as the first instead of the last lesson in the afternoon owing to the dull, dark weather.

Dec 18th

The Attendance has been poor this week.

“ 23rd

School closed for a fortnight's holiday.

1897

Jan 11th

School re-opened with an attendance of 26 Infants and 60 older scholars.

“ 22nd

David Brigge has been present one week only during this quarter. As he lives at the Light-house, a distance of more than 2 miles, he is not compelled to attend School. He is very backward.

“ 29th

Sarah Stone is still absent through the illness of her sister. She has

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not been to School for more than a month.

Feb 5th

The 3rd Standard were taken together with the 1st Class for an Object Lesson on “Water as a Vapour” this afternoon.

Feb 12th

A poor attendance on Tuesday.

“ 19th

Several children absent through sickness all the week.

“ 26th

The attendance is still small.

Mar. 5th

A Burgain has been absent this week owing to illness.

“ 12th

Sums are worked on paper instead of slates now.

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1897

Mar. 16th

Registers tested by the Chairman.

Mar. 26th

Usual work.

- April 2nd Owing to the Drawing Examination to-day the girls had holiday.
- April 5th Drawing Lessons are discontinued for the present, Arithmetic and Spelling are taken instead.
- “ 9th The 3rd Std. learnt the notes of a new song with the 1st Cass this morning.
- April 15th School closed until Tuesday morning for Easter.
- “ 20th School re-opened

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- April 26th The School was visited this afternoon by the Rev. F. Wilkinson H.M.I. under Article 84.b
- April 27th The children will not be placed into higher standards until the end of School year the 30th inst.
- May 3rd. Classes and standards re-arranged.
- “ 13th Owing to a Tea at Hallsands a small number were present this afternoon.

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1897 Copy of the Inspector's Report

Mixed School “Very good order is maintained, the teachers are all very conscientious and industrious, the teaching is very thorough, and the children have a good knowledge of their work.”

Infants' Class “The children are in good order and are taught with much care and industry, but the Mistress at times has more children on her hands than she can well manage without assistance, and the children have hardly answered with their usual intelligence. The accommodation is by no means of the best.”
The Registers must be tested on behalf of the Board at least once a quarter, at irregular intervals, as required by paragraph 6 of Appendix II of

Instructions to Inspectors. Attention
is directed to Article 85(d) of the Code

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H. Burgain and A. Login are continued
under Article 68.

C. Saunders
Certificated Mistress.

May 26th The Report of the Drawing Examination
was received this morning and the
award is "Excellent."

Owing to a funeral in the neighbour-
hood, there is a small attendance
today.

May 28th Mrs. Login has been absent since
Monday owing to the death of a
relative.

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1897 List of Recitations 1897 - 98

Std. I "Twilight" Longfellow
" II "The Dog and the Water Lilies."
Cowper
" III "From my Arm Chair." (Extract)
" The Lighthouse." Longfellow
Stds. IV, V, VI, VII Extract from "King John"
Shakespeare

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June 4th The School was closed for a week's
Holiday for Whitsuntide.

" 14th Re-opened School.

" 21st Two days' holiday given for the
Jubilee.

July 5th Rev. C. Finzel visited the School
and tested the Registers.

" 16th Better attendance this week.

" 23rd A new song being learnt in 2 parts.

" 30th Holiday given for Monday (Bank Holiday)

Aug. 3rd A small attendance – several boys
employed in Harvest.

Aug. 6th The School was closed for a month's holiday.

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Sep. 6th School re-opened after the summer vacation. Owing to the rain a small number present.

“ 17th The attendance is far from good. In the upper standards, some are very irregular. The Mistress absent owing to indisposition.

“ 24th Owing to a Tea, many are absent today.

Visited the school & examined Registers & found all correct
Conrad Finzel Oct 26.97

Nov 11th 1897 School visited (84.b)
W. M. C. England

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1897

Nov. 26th Mrs. Login completed her duties as Infant Teacher today.

Nov. 29th Miss Kelland took charge of the Infant Class today – is appointed to fill Mrs. Login's place.

Dec. 3rd I have been into the Infants' Classroom a great deal this week, Miss Burgain taking my place with the 1st Class.

“ 10th and 17th Instead of Tables on Tuesday afternoons, singing has been taken.

“ 23rd The School was closed for a fortnight's holiday.

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1898

Jan. 10th School re-opened – very fair attendance.

Examined Registers & found correct
Conrad Finzel

Jan. 12. 1898

- Jan 17th School closed this afternoon on account of the funeral of Mr. Pitts the late Chairman of the Board.
- Jan 25th Several children are absent through illness.
- Feb 4th)
11th and 18th) There are several of the children absent through illness.
- Feb. 22nd Owing to a snow storm, school closed for the day.
- 25th Attendance poor all the week

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on account of the weather.

- Mar. 4th The fifth standard boys have been very irregular in their attendance lately.
- “ 11th Two boys in Std. V have left School, so the class is become small.
- Visited the school & examined the Registers
Conrad Finzel Mar.21.1898
- “ 17th School closed on account of a funeral this afternoon.
- “ 25th Geography lessons on Canada are given on Friday afternoons.
- April 1st For Composition exercises, the accounts of Roman Conquest (vide Historical Readers) have been written from memory this week.

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- April 8th)
and 11th) Holidays for Easter
- April 15th Edith Hutchings (Std. 7) was absent for more than 8 months through illness, so is backward specially in Arithmetic.
- “ 20th School visited under Art. 84.b
F. Wilkinson H.M.I.
- May 6 Visited the school & inspected Registers

Conrad Finzel

May 13th 20th)
and 17th) The attendance has been very poor owing to many of the children having measles. The School was closed today for a week's holiday for Whitsuntide.

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June 6th School re-opened
Many are still absent owing to measles.

June 10th Only 32 children present today
the cause being the visit of a steamer to Hallsands.

“ 17th The attendance is still very small as many as 50 children being absent on some days.

“ 23rd)
and 24th) Holiday on account of a Flower Service at Stokenham.

June 17th Rev. C. Finzel visited the School
and tested the Registers.

July 1st The attendance is improved.

“ 8th Lessons in Numbers are given
to the Infants by the Mistress.

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June 1898 Copy of the Inspector's Report

Mixed School. “The order continues particularly good and the school is very well conducted. The teaching is in all respects careful and thorough except that above the 2nd standard the children generally should have a better knowledge of Arithmetic. The teaching staff should be more evenly distributed between the Upper School and the Infants' Class.

Infants' Class Considering her want of experience and the little assistance she has the condition of the Infants' Class is decidedly creditable to the new Article 68 teacher in charge of it, but the children must be somewhat better grounded in Number, and the Object Lessons must be more effectively given to secure the

highest variable grant another year. The Reading, Spelling

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and Sewing are good and the children are in good order.

“The Average for the last year exceeds the accommodation.

This arises mainly from the unusually large proportion of children (nearly one third of the total number on the Infants' Register) seven years of age.”

The Average Attendance in the Infants' Room must not exceed the accommodation at 8 sq. ft.

C. J. Kelland is recognised under Article 68 and H. Burgain is continued under that Article.

C. Saunders

Certificated Mistress.

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July 15th

On Wednesday many children stayed at home on account of the visit of a steamer to Hallsands.

“ 22nd

Usual work.

Aug. 1st

Holiday for Bank Holiday.

“ 2nd

Many children absent today.

“ 5th

School closed for the Summer Vacation.

Sep. 5th

School opened.

Sep. 9. 1898

Visited the school & examined Registers Conrad Finzel.

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Sep. 16th

Some children were transferred this week from the Infants' Class to Standard I.

“ 23rd

A new Song in two parts is being learnt. The boys are now able to sing the Alto part much better than they did.

It has been difficult work to teach 2 part songs.

The children do not sing so

harshly, their singing is sweeter than it was.

- Oct 12. 1898 Consider the work being done very satisfactory & order & discipline good – but also consider there should be a larger percentage present. Singing very creditable.
W. W. Menhemmett

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- Oct. 17th Owing to very heavy rain a very small number came to School this morning and these were so wet that they were dismissed at once and the School was closed for the day.
- “ 28th Some of Standard 4 boys do their Composition Exercises very creditably. They wrote out a short account of Thomas a Becket (the substance of a reading lesson) on Wednesday
- Nov. 14 Visited the school & examined Registers
Conrad Finzel
- Nov 16 1898 School visited (84.b)
W. M. C. England

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- Nov. 23rd Owing to the stormy weather only 21 children came to School, these were dismissed.
- “ 24th The weather being still very rough, only very few were present and they were dismissed.
- Dec. 2nd Improved attendance this week.
- “ 9th The girls are learning a new Drill.
- “ 16th The pupil teacher has been absent all the week owing to the Scholarship Examination.
- “ 23rd School closed for a fortnight's Holiday.

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1899

Jan. 9th

School re-opened after the Christmas Vacation.

Visited the school & examined Registers
Conrad Finzel
Jan. 31. 1899

Mar. 3rd

Usual work.

“ 10th

School visited under Art. 84.b
F. Wilkinson H.M.I.

March 19th

Visited School. Pleased with the work done. Examined Registers

W. H. Menhemmett

Examined Registers
Conrad Finzel Ap. 12.1899

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May 5th

This week's Average Attendance = 102
Number on Registers = 119

“ 12th

Attendance poor – Average fallen to 93.

“ 19th

Lessons in Drill given on Fridays instead of on Wednesdays. Good progress is being made in some new exercises.

May 19th)
to 16th)

A Week's Holiday for Whitsuntide.

June 2nd

Drill is given up, on account of warm weather.
This week's Average = 98.

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June 9th

The Geography lesson to the upper Standards this afternoon was on the Coastline of Scotland. Some Extracts from the "School Newspaper" were written from memory by the First Class as a Composition exercise on Wednesday.

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June 1899

Copy of the Inspector's Report

Mixed School "The order is very good and the work generally is exceedingly satisfactory, but again too many of the children above the third standard have not a sufficiently intelligent knowledge of the rules of Arithmetic to know which to employ in the solution of simple problems, and some of the elder children might have a more thorough knowledge of Grammar. It is, too, somewhat of a blot upon so excellent a school that children should pass through it without some definite instruction in Geography, a subject that might be made of special interest to children living near the sea."

Infants' Class "The children have been conscientiously and carefully taught,

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but the general condition of the class barely entitles it to the highest variable grant, and the Mistress in charge should have the assistance of a capable Monitor. The attendance can hardly be otherwise than somewhat irregular, considering the distance many of the children have to walk, but the first class is not well represented numerically."

A. L. Burgain has obtained a Second Class in the Queen's Scholarship Examination. She should be informed that she is now qualified under Article 50 of the Code, but not under Article 52.

H. Burgain and C. Kelland are continued under Article 68. C. Saunders
Certificated Mistress

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June 21

Examined Registers – found them correct. Consider the discipline of the school very satisfactory, & the work of the Teacher deserves great credit.
W.H. Menhemmett

June 22nd

Holiday today for the Stokenham

Flower Service.

Visited the school & inspected Registers
Conrad Finzel
June 28 1898

- July 1st Geography is now being taught in the School. The upper standards are grouped together for the work of the 4th Standard in this subject.
- “ 10th Some new maps are added to School stock, and the 1st and 2nd stds are taught Geographical terms by means of sand.

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- July 21st The 1st class write from memory the Geography lessons of the week on Friday afternoons.
- “ 28th This is also done by Stds. II & III
The School was closed for the Summer Vacation today.
- Sepbr. 11th The School was opened today after being closed for six weeks the last fortnight was on account of whooping cough among the children.
- “ 15th A small attendance all the week – the whooping cough being still prevalent.
- Sep 2d. 1899 Visited the school & examined the Registers Conrad Finzel
- Oct 30 1899 Visited the school & examined the Registers
Conrad Finzel.

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- Oct 6th A larger number of girls present this week.
- “ 13th)
and 20th) Many children in the Infants' Class still absent. Some have not attended school for 7 weeks.
- Oct 28th The attendance is somewhat improved.
- Nov. 3rd Some who have been absent a long time have returned to School.

“ 10th Owing to the dark afternoons
the children will be dismissed
at 4.15 instead of at 4.30

“ 16th I find it necessary to make
some alteration in the
order of the morning's lessons
as I am obliged to give all
the Geography lessons to
Std. I instead of leaving that

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class to the Monitor.

Nov. 24th Several cases of Scarletina among
the children.

Nov. 29th The School closed for a month
on account of Scarletina.

Jan. 8th School re-opened with an attendance
of only 57, the number on registers
being 112.

“ 15th Owing to very heavy rain, only 30
older scholars and 17 in the
Infants' Class are present this
morning.

“ 24th School visited Art. 84.b
F. Wilkinson H.M.I.

Feb 2 Visited the School & examined the
Registers
Conrad Finzel.

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Feb 9th Three or four children have been
absent for many weeks through
sickness.

“ 16th Owing to very severe weather
yesterday only about half a
dozen children came to School
and they were dismissed.
The attendance is small to-day
The snow and rain this week
have caused a poor attendance.

“ 23rd Some children have lost so
much time that their work
is very poor. It is hard
work to bring them up to
the right standard in almost

all subjects. In the Upper Standards the parents keep home their children having little or no interest in their work though Attendance Prizes are offered. The work is very

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disheartening in these classes.

- Mar. 2nd Geography substituted for Singing on Wednesday afternoon
- Visited the school & found all in order
Conrad Finzel
- “ 9th The plan of the playground and school is being learnt by Standard I at a scale of 12 feet to an inch.
- “ 16th Recapitulation of the Geography of Scotland for upper standards this week.
- “ 23rd Usual work with a fair attendance.
- April 6th Attendance not so good this week.
- Ap. 10th 1900 School visited 84.b
W. M. C. England

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- Apr. 17th As more time is needed for Recitation by some children who have been absent a long time through sickness a second Recitation lesson is given on Wednesdays in addition to one on Tuesdays.
- “ 24th Analysis of sentences is greatly improved in Stand: IV
- May 1st 1900 Inspected Drawing
Archwell Gefferten
- May 8th History will be taught this year.
- May 15 Visited the School & inspected Registers also distributed prizes for good attendance

Conrad Finzel

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Drawing Report for 1900

<u>Equipment</u>	The use of paper, instead of slates, in Standard I is strongly recommended. Demonstration sheets (freehand V & VI more compasses & set squares, and 2 BBd set squares should be provided.
<u>General remarks</u>	The drawing appears to be progressing fairly satisfactorily the following points require attention.
<u>Freehand</u>	Lines are rather wiry and lack freedom. Full page drawings should be taken in Std. III and upwards. Recreative drawings must not be taken in the ordinary course of instruction. If taken, they must be in addition to, and not in place of the usual freehand Drawing and must be kept separate.
<u>Drawing to Scale</u>	Greater accuracy is necessary The drawing to scale of actual

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objects is advisable and where such are used, a rough sketch with measurements, the scale and finished drawing should always be made.

<u>Dating and marking</u>	All work must be dated and Examination work must be marked.
<u>Stds VI & VII</u>	As Drawing is taught under the Schedule for small schools, all scholars in these standards must now be taught Freehand, Drawing to Scale, and either Geometry or Model (Code Sched: III – A)
<u>Oral</u>	Requires more attention 5 th May 1900
May 16 th	The Award was “Excellent” for Drawing under the Science & Art Department, when last inspected.

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July.3.1900	Visited the school & examined the Registers – the order very good. Conrad Finzel – Chairman
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of School Board.

- Sept. 3rd Took charge of the school.
A.W. Hamer
- Sep 3 Visited the school on reopening after
the holidays.
Conrad Finzel – Chairman.

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- Mixed School Copy of Inspector's Report 1900
"Geography has been well taught
during the past year in addition to
the subjects previously taken and the
school is in a very creditable condition.
The needlework has received the award
of "Good" but in the sixth standard the
method employed in the calico patching
is undesirable, and the darning exercise
in the fifth standard does not satisfactorily
fulfil the purpose of the exercise viz:
to teach the mending (by darning) of a
fair sized hole in stocking web material.
The order is very good."
- Infants' Class "The order in the infant's class is very good
and the children are making very creditable
progress under the teacher now in charge of
the class.
The infants Needlework is very good."

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- 1900
Sept 7th Average attendance this week 84.6
- Sept 13th 1900 School visited (84.b)
W. M. C. England
- Sept.r 13th Gave Stan V a lesson in Compound Practice
this morning.
- " 18th Miss A. Burgain gave lesson on Pig.
19th Find stan VI troublesome over Arithmetic
some backward children not knowing how
to do Division of Money, last qrs. work.
- 21 Gave stan VI Lesson on Moods and Tenses of
Verbs.
- " 25 Could not take repetition this afternoon
the first Class children had so many
mistakes in Dictation to write out and
learn.
Miss A. Burgain gave Lower Division
a lesson on the Rabbit.
- " 28th Average Attendance a little better
this week. Some children in the first
class attend very irregularly.
- Oct.r 1st Ernest Stone come today has been
away from school a fortnight, he says

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Oct.r 2nd

5th

Mon 8th

Thurs 11th

Friday 12th

he has been helping Mrs. Stone at Hallsands. Miss Burgain gave a lesson on the "Fowl & the Turkey."

Girls Attendances very irregular, the children from the Lighthouse have not been to school since I came. I cannot find out who is the Attendance Officer.

Attended a Board Meeting at Stokenham this Afternoon.

Edith Hutchings absent all day ill.

Edith Hutchings away all day.

Av. this week 87.

I find the boys Mitchelmore in Stan IV very troublesome over their Arithmetic. They are both very careless.

The writing is improving in the First Class.

Miss H. Burgain began teaching the Infants singing from the Modulator.

I find there is no Attendance Officer at present appointed.

Miss A. Burgain gave a lesson on Ducks and Geese this week to the Lower Division.

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15th

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19th

Mon 22nd

" 26th

Nov. 1st

" 2nd

" 5th

" 6th

Edith Hutchings returned to school.

Miss A. Burgain gave a lesson on the horse & the donkey.

The children from the Lighthouse are not coming during the winter. Message received by telephone.

Three boys from the Infants room promoted to Stan I. this week.

Received set squares, Blotting Paper, Exer. Books etc.

Received note from Doctor certifying that Maude Rundle is unfit to attend school.

Very wet, poor attendance.

Received coal & coke.

Gave 1st lesson on Norway & Sweden

Children still attending very irregularly.

George Dimond gone to work at Kingsbridge. He is under age.

Many children away today. The Attendance becomes worse as we have no officer. It is very discouraging.

Miss H. Burgain gave lesson on the cat.

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Nov 6.

Visited the school and examined

the Registers

Conrad Finzel – Chairman

- “ 6 The Rev. C. Finzel very kindly gave two shillings for sweets for the children.
- “ 8 Received Historical & Geographical Reading books, Clock Faces for Infants, India Rubbers and Demonstration Drawing Sheets for Stan. V VI & VII in place of some I sent back to Firks & Co. not being suitable.
- “ 9th Sent list of irregular attendances to Mr. Finzel for School Board.
- “ 13 Miss A. Burgain gave lesson on “Dog.”
- “ 16 Av. this week only 73.
- “ 20 Only 6 boys out of 15 present in 1st Class this morning. The Attendance is worse than ever. The people know there is no officer.
- “ 23rd Average 76.9 this week
- “ 30th “ 78 “ “

Commenced teaching notes of a New Song “Our Country’s Flag” this morning.

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- Dec.r 5th Very wet and rough only 32 children present this morning.
Only 30 present this Afternoon.
Commenced half an hr. earlier in order to allow the children to go home half an hr. earlier. Registers marked accordingly.
- “ 14th Miss A. Burgain absent all week gone for the Scholarship Examination Edith Hutchings has taken Infants and Miss H. Burgain Stan I II & III.
Finished New Song tune this morning all children taken together this morning for singing.
- “ 21st Mrs. Holdsworth visited the school this Afternoon and very kindly gave all the children Xmas presents.
Average this week 74.
Broke up for the Xmas Holidays, a fortnight.

1901

Jan.y 7th

Re-opened school after the holidays.
Only 58 present.

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1901

Jan.y 7th

The Rev. C. Finzel very kindly gave 1/6d for sweets for the children.

Jan. 7. 1901

Visited the school & examined the Registers.

- Jan.y 8th Heavy fall of snow. Only 11 children came this morning, therefore they were dismissed for the day.
Edith Hutchings remained with the Mistress during the morning & Afternoon until 3.45
- “ 9th Only 21 children present. Edith Hutchings absent. Registers marked earlier in afternoon in order to allow children to leave earlier.
- 10th Weather much milder, only 50 children present.
Edith Hutchings still absent. Toothache is the reason given.
- “ 11th Edith Hutchings returned to her duties
Average this week only 45.1
- “ 14th Gave 1st Class lesson on Interrogative sentences.
- “ 16th Only 30 children present this morning the weather was rather wet, but mild, nothing really to prevent them from coming.

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1901

- January 16 Sent the Stock & Stores Book to Harris Square Esq. Kingsbridge for inspection by Auditor.
- “ 21st Mental Arithmetic is taken for a short time every morning before the Arithmetic lesson.
- “ 28th Received the Stock & Stores Book from H. Square Esq.
- “ 30th Attendance still poor, only 74 present today.
The school yard is in a bad state for want of gravel.
- Feb 4th Mr. S. Horton came to school and complained of the conduct of some of the boys who had trespassed in his grounds on Friday last. They were all punished, as they had been forbidden to leave the school yard without permission.
- “ 8th Average still only 68.4

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1901

- Feb 11th Received parcel from Firks & Son containing 6 doz exercise books (cheaper) in place of 3 doz (dearer) we returned to them because they were the wrong ruling.
- “ 12th Miss A. Burgain gave lesson on “bread” & “bread-making.”

- “ 13th As today is the anniversary of the
“Massacre of Glencoe” and 1st Class read
the account of it and it was explained
to them during their History lesson.
- “ 15th Only 46 children present this afternoon.
- “ 18th Edith Hutchings absent all day. Reason
given illness
- Visited the school & examined Registers
Conrad Finzel
- “ 19th Edith Hutchings still absent from her duties.
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
- “ 20th
- “ 21 Edith Hutchings returned to her duties.
- “ 22nd Resigned my post as Mistress
A. W. Hamer

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- 1900 Ap.3 Signed Registers
Conrad Finzel Chairman
- May 6 Visited the school & examined Registers
- May 6th Commenced duties as Head
Mistress in this school today.
Edith Horton
- May 13-14 Edith Hutchings absent fro,
school through sickness.
- May 21 School closed in the afternoon
owing to circus in neighbourhood.
- May 27 School closed for White Monday.
- June 7 Two sets of New Readers for Group II
brought into use.
- June 8. The attendance is exceedingly
bad. Av. 69.1 No. on Books 103
Percentage 67

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- June 11th Copy of Inspector's Report – 1901
Mixed School This school during the
past year has been some months
without any recognized head teacher
but the teachers in charge have done
their very best and the school has not
materially suffered in general efficiency
and is in a decidedly creditable condition.
- Infant Class The assistant in charge
of the Infant Class takes great pains with

her work, keeps good order and brings the children on very creditably. The instalments of The Grant are suspended pending a notification that a qualified Teacher is in charge of the School.

H. Burgain is continued under Article 68 of the Code.

Edith Hutchings has passed the Examination for Candidates.

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June 11

Scheme of Work 1901-2
Approved by H.M.I.

Group I

Faith: According to Stand: Scheme A.

English:-

- (a) Reading – Literary, Geographical & Historical Rds:
- (b) Writing – Transcription, Sentence-forming containing given words
Dictation twice a week.
- (c) The Simple Subject & Predicate
Nouns, Verbs, Adj: Sentences illustrating their use.

History – Exposition of

Historical Readers

Geography 1st Div: The Plan –

Shape & Size of the World

2nd Geographical terms – Outline of
England & Wales (Especially Devon)

Elementary Science – 30 Lessons
on Common Things

Recitation Div I Father is Coming
Div II Barbara Frietchie

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Group II

Arithmetic According to Stan: Sch: A.

English

- (a) Reading – Literary & Historical
Rds & School Newspapers
- (b) Writing – Reproduction of a Story:
Simple Letter Writing, Repro-duction
of any oral lesson
- (c) Grammar The Simple Subject
Predicate & Object. All parts of speech.
Sentence forming containing them
Correction of Grammatical errors in
speaking & writing.

History Exposition of Historical
Rds. 53B.C. to Elizabeth
Geography The British Possessions
their position & use – specially
India, Australia, New Zealand &
B.N. America
Science Lessons on Physiology –
The Human Frame, Organs of the Body
Circulation, Respiration & Digestion
Recitation – Selections from Henry V

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Sewing – According to Schedule S.
Singing - “ “ “ “ “
Drawing & Physical Exercises
according to former Codes

List of Object Lessons
Parts of Plant, Roots, Stems, Leaves,
Flowers, Fruit, Ferns, Leaves.
Birds – robin, rook, lark, Birds beaks,
Birds feet, Birds used as food.
Fish – Shell fish – crab, lobsters.
Fishing & fishing gear, Boats &
ships.
A Farm – woodland, meadowland.
The farm yard, Grasses, local.
Wheat & wheat field, Farmer’s implements,
A Dairy, Animals seen on a Farm.
Milk, butter, cheese, Coverings of
Animals, Animal productions,
Animals, local, wild,
Animals which sleep in winter
Animals paws & claws & their uses
Animals tails, tongues & teeth – uses

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List of Object Lessons for Infants.
Parts of a plant – Root, Stems – Leaves –
Fruit – Spring Flowers – Potato
Familiar Animals – A horse – Dog –
Cat – Fox – Mile – Rabbit – Hedgehog
Birds – A spider – A Fish
Leather – Cotton
Pins – Needles – A Bell – A Knife –
Different kinds of brushes – Money –
Bark – Milk – Water – Liquids – Solids
Recitations
The Monkey & the Mustard Pot
Which do you like.

Approved by H.M.I.
May 1901

- June 27 School closed for the Flower Service at Stokenham.
- June 28 Only 33 present today – being the day after the flower service.

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- 1901 July 23 Visited the school & signed Registers
- August 1st School closed today for Summer Holiday
- September 2nd School re-opened after summer holiday.
- Sep 3rd Visited the School & examined Registers – Conrad Finzel
- Sept 9th School inspected by me this afternoon.
F. Wilkinson H.M.I.
- Sept 11 Agricultural Show at Kingsbride consequently only 27 older children present

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- 1901 Nov. 4th Edith Hutchings absent – unwell
- Nov 5th Edith Hutchings still absent.
- Nov. 8th Edith Hutchings absent the whole of this week – unwell.
- Nov. 19 Visited the school & examined the Registers
Conrad Finzel
- Nov. 19 I have, for the last week, been obliged to substitute other lessons for the Drawing owing to the want of material. The order is 6 weeks late.
- Dec. 12 Being a very stormy morning only 17 older scholars & 5 infants attended. The registers have not been marked but the children have been detained as the weather shows signs of clearing

& other may possible come in the afternoon.

4 o'clock. As only 6 more children turned up registers were not marked & school was dismissed at a quarter to four.

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1901

Dec. 16. A very wet morning
24 older scholars 8 infants present.
Registers marked & work carried on as usual.

Dec. 20th School closed for Christmas Holidays

1902

Jan 12th School re-opened after Xmas
Holidays.
A poor attendance particularly
in the infants.

Jan. 24 Only 27 older children & 14 Infants
present. All the Beesand boys
have gone to Tor Cross where coot-
shooting is going on. It has also
been stormy.

Jan 28 – 1902 Visited school & signed Registers
Conrad Finzel.

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Feb. 14th The attendance for the last two
weeks has been very poor. Many
children, particularly the Infants,
seem to be suffering from severe colds.

Feb. 28th Dr. Doughty visited the school on the 25th &
vaccinated 12 children & the
teachers. One or two have been
away in consequence to-day.
The 5 Rundle children have not
yet returned – This is the 10th week
of absence (Cause – Fever)

Mar. 14th Dr. Doughty visited & examined children
vaccinated. All are satisfactory.
The attendance is very unsatisfactory
still. Av. 70.8. No. on books 90

Mar. 18th Visited the School & signed Registers
Conrad Finzel

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Mar. 27th School closed for Easter Holiday

- Apr. 1st School re-opened after Easter Holiday
- Apr. 14th & 15th Edith Hutchings absent from school through sickness.
- Apr. 21st Edith Hutchings continues very unwell. Have had to send her back home today.
- Apr. 22nd Edith Hutchings absent.
- “ 30 Visit of inspection
R. B. Barclay
- May 13 Visited the school & found Registers correct
Conrad Finzel
- May 15 School closed for Whitsuntide Holiday.
- May 26 School re-opened.

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Scheme of Work 1902 – 3

- June 2nd (Approved by H.M.I.)
Group I
- Arithmetic Scheme A as for St. 1.2.3.
Dec: Notation in St. III
- Geography Shape & Size of the earth.
Plans – Maps – Day & night – the Seasons.
Definitions of Land & Water
Outline of Scotland & Ireland.
- English
- (a) Reading Book II Century Rds.
Geog: Rds: of Scotland & Ireland.
Historical Rds.
- (b) Writing Transcription – Formation of Sentences from given words – Reproduction of Oral or Reading Lesson in Single Sentences. Dictation of Word building exercises
- (c) Grammar
Arnold's Language Lessons. Books 1.2.3.
Recitation
Pipes of Lucknow

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History
20 Stories from English History to 1066
Elementary Science

36 Object Lessons

Needlework

Seam & Fell – Run & Fell (Calico & flannelling)

Pleating into a band & sewing in a tape

To shew ribbing for top & decreasing

for back of stocking

Backstitching as for bands.

A pillow slip in St. I

A small chemise in St. II

An apron in St. III

Singing

Solfa – Div: II

Drawing (a) Memory Drawing – Simple curves

Simple lines & curves combined

into simple figures

Drawing from object when possible

& copying illustrations of Obj. Lessons

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Group II

Scheme A as for 4.5.6.

Decimals & Metric System to whole Grp.

Geography

Europe – particularly France & Germany

Latitude & Longitude – Sides –

Causes which affect climate

History

90 Stories from English History

1603 – 1807

English

(a) Reading – Geographical Rds. of Europe

Historical Rds. for Book V

School Newspapers for last 3 months.

(b) Composition

Reproduction of oral lessons

Writing of Letters on Simple Subjects

Reproduction of Reading lessons as

short stories

(c) Grammar

Arnolds Language books VI & V

Recitation

The Fisher-folk

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Elementary Science

30 lessons – (see list)

Needlework

Flannel work – Herring boning –

3 ways of doing flannel seam.

A Flannel patch

Cutting out in paper & material

a yoked pinafore – the work for

lower group to be cut out by upper

group.

Darning a hold in stocking – web

Knitting – the heel of a stocking
A stocking to be knitted by each child.
During last quarter garments shall
occasionally be brought from home
to be repaired.

Music Dir: Ill of Solfa &
connection between Old & Solfa shown

Drawing

I Memory drawing of simple objects
II Geometrical drawing leading to design
III Scale drawing
IV Freehand – from objects, leaves, etc.
& diagrams illustrating Obj. Lessons

Drill Carter's & Booth.

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List of Object Lessons 1902-3

Group I

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. A Ramble in the Fields | 32 Wild cats of the woods |
| 2. Through Bog & Woodland | 33 The Fox |
| 3. First visit to a Farmyard | 34 The Rabbit |
| 4. Farm Stables | 35 Rabbit & Hare Comp. |
| 5. Horses – Carts – Waggon | 36 Rats & Mice |
| 6) Cattle houses | |
| 7) Fold yard | |
| 8) Piggery | |
| 9) Hay Barton | |
| 10) Farmer's Corn | |
| 11 The Miller & his work | |
| 12 Sheep & Cows | |
| 13 The Horse | |
| 14) “ “ Part II | |
| 15) The Pig 16) Milk | |
| 17) Butter making 18) Cheese making | |
| 19 Bees (Part i) 20 Bees (Part II) | |
| 21) Spring 22) Winter | |
| 23 Spring (A Ramble) 24) Summer | |
| 25 Harvest-time (26) Autumn | |
| 28 The Cat 29 As a killing animal | |
| 30 Cat & dog compared | |
| 31 Kings of Dogs. | |

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List of Object Lessons

Group II

- (1) The Air that plants breathe
- 2 Plant food in the soil
- 3 Seed & seedlings
- (4) How seeds grow
- 5 Some wild spring flowers
- (6) The flower & its work
- (7) Insects & work
- (8) The Farmers Pests & Friends

(9) Snails & Slugs (10) The Earth Worm
 (11) Insects in relation to food
 (12) Insects – their life History
 13 Beetles 14 Beetles
 15 Butterflies * Moths
 16 & 17 Bees & Beekeeping
 (18) The Spider (19 & 10) Fish
 (21) & 22 A Frog
 23 Frogs – Toads – Newts
 24 The Common Grass Snake
 25 Viper Compared with Snake
 (26) The Blind Worm
 27 & 28 Composition of Air
 28 & 29 “ “ Water
 30 & 31 Evaporation & Condensation
 32 & 33 Forms of Water – Ice, Snow, hail, rain
 inc. most clouds

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List of Object Lessons
 Infants Class

Horse – Donkey – Rat – Mouse – Frog
 Bat – Mole – Cow – Sheep – Pig – Hare.
 Rabbit – Dog – Cat
 Animals tails & uses
 Animals tongues & teeth & uses
 Covering of Animals
 Robin – Owl – Rook – Lark – Duck –
 Fowl – Goose – Birds' Beaks –
 Birds' Feet – Fruit – Orange – Apple

June 20 Av. Att. this week 80
 The Elder Children are attending
 very badly, there is also some
 sickness.
 School closed for one week
 for Coronation.

June 30 School re-opened – several
 children still away through
 sickness.

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1902
 June 30

Copy of Inspector's Report
Mixed School "The children
 are orderly and attentive
 and are carefully taught
Infant Class – The class in
 general is well taught.

Edith Hutchings has passed
 the First Year Examination

- June 30 "Fairly"
We have to-day received a series of pictures illustrative of the Elementary Science Lessons.
- July 11 The attendance has been very poor during this week – 14 not present at all also a tea at Hall Sands.
No. on Books 107 A. A. 80.3

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- Aug 4th School closed for Bank Holiday
- Aug 6th E. Horton absent this afternoon.
- Aug 7th School closed until Sept 8th for Summer Holiday.
No. on Books 107. Av. Att. 70
- Sept 8th School re-opened after Summer Vacation.
- Sep. 8 Visited the School & examined Registers
Conrad Finzel
- Oct 3rd Two Harvest Festivals have greatly interfered with attendance this week.
No. on Books 111 Av. Att. 90
- Oct 9th A very stormy morning. Only 30 children came in. Have not marked registers but kept them until 3.30. Dismissed then as it has ceased raining for a time.

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- Visited the school & examined Registers – Conrad Finzel
- Nov. 4. There is much sickness among the children – some cases of chicken-pox & breakings-out. 23 are absent through these causes to-day.
- Nov. 14 The av. atten: this week is only 77.5 due in part to sickness & also to the bad weather. On Tuesday there were only 57 present owing to the heavy rain.
- Nov. 17 Visited the School & examined

the Registers & found them correct
Conrad Finzel

Nov. 17 Edith Hutchings away – Not well.

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19th Nov.r 1902
Visit of Inspection – Art 84a.
J. H. Greet

Nov. 21st Edith Hutchings returned to school to-day – Friday – having been absent from Monday with tooth-ache

Nov. 28th School closed for Sale of Work.

Dec. 12th Edith Hutchings absent since Tuesday the 9th – Not well.

The attendance continues to be very bad – 77%. There is no particular reason for it.

Dec. 19th School closed for Christmas Holidays.

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Jan 5th School re-opened after Christmas Holidays.

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Jan 13. 1903 Visited the school & found all correct – Conrad Finzel.

Jan 12 & 13 Edith Hutchings away – not well.

Jan. 16 Edith Hutchings has been absent the whole of this week.

Jan. 22. Owing to a school treat at Beesand we have closed school at 3.30 for which purpose we commenced at 1.30

Jan 26th Absent – unwell – E. Horton.

Feb 6 The attendance continues very unsatisfactory. The Hall-sand children have stayed away two whole days this week in order to attend an entertainment in the school yesterday evening. The Board have had a report before them for the last two

Meetings but no action has been taken.

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- Feb. 6 Edith Hutchings has now been absent from her duties for four wks.
- Feb. 11th Edith Hutchings has returned to school today, having been absent four weeks and two days, she is not yet able to resume her studies.
- Feb 27th. The attendance has fallen 5% this week – the weather is bad & colds are prevalent – Edith Hutchings has not yet resumed her studies.

Those examined for Labour Cert. Mar. 10th 1903
Bertha Gillard Age 12 S.V.)
Lilly Steer “ 12 S.V.)
Emma Gillard “ 12 S.V.) All were successful
Annie Lomonds S.iv)
George Crispin 12 S.iv)

Alfred. H. Lacey

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- Mar 10th 1903
Visit of Inspection
Art. 84 (a)
Alfred H. Lacey
- Mar. 11th George Steer & Arthur Hutchings have also passed the examination for labour certificates – (See note in portfolio)
- Mar. 16th Sewing report 1903 (Copy)
Huccombe School
School Date – May Summary Mark
No. of children
Girls 28 Good
Infants 30 Very Good
Gls.Group – The sew & fell seam is generally used along the selvedge of the material – these for the exercise should be fixed in that direction.
- Mar. 17. Edith Hutchings has commenced taking lessons again to-day. Not having done any since Jan. 12.

June 26th Only 38 children came in this morning. Have not marked registers, but kept them till 12.30 then dismissed for the day.

June 7. Visited the School & signed Registers.

Scheme of Work – 19013 – 4

Arithmetic

Group I. Scheme A – 1.-2-3 Dec. Notation

“ II “ “ 4/5/6/7 Metric System

Geography

Group I Shape & Size of the Earth – Maps, Plans, Day & Night, Seasons, Definition of Land & Water – England – Devon particularly

Group II British Empire, Latitude & Longitude Tides. Causes affecting climate

History

Group I – 20 stories – 10-66 – 1603

“ II Reign of Queen Victoria

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Reading

Grps I & II Geographical, Historical & Literary Rds.

Writing

Grp. I. Transcription – Formation of Sentences from given words, Reproduction of Oral & Reading Lessons in Single Sentences. Dictation of word- building exercises.

Group II. Reproduction of Oral & Reading Lessons – Letter-writing.

Grammar

Grp I Arnolds Language Lessons Bks 1-2-3.

Grp II Parts of Speech – Parts of a sentence

Proper use of Punctuation

Recitation

The Slave Ship, Charge of the Light Brigade

Honour of Bristol

Singing

As Division II & III of Code

Drawing

Group I – Lines & Curves combined with Simple Figures

II Drawing from Objects & BB illustrations

III Memory drawing of Simple figures.

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Group II

I Scale from Copies & objects

II Drawing of Common objects, flowers, leaves etc.

III Memory drawing of objects & Copies worked previously

Drill

Model Course – as far as possible

Needlework

Grp. I Seam & Fell – Run & Fell – Back-stitching
Tape sewing – pleating. Herring-boning
& Darning on Coarse Cloth.
Ribbing & decreases as for stockings
Group II
Button-holes, loops, eyelet holes, Sewing
on buttons, hooks & eyes – Tape
strengthening – fathering & setting into
bands – Toe of a stocking
Pr. Drawers to be cut out & made by each
child.

Common Things

Grp I. Plant food on Air & Soil. Plants
of the Meadows, Water, Lane & hedge.
Heath & Moor. Seeds & Seedlings, how
they grow. Parts of work of a flower.

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Insects & Flowers – Ferns – Trees –
Evergreen Trees & Plants – Woody Trunks of
Trees, Timber & Wood. Lessons of
Observation on the Seasons –
Natural Phenomena – Comp: of air, water
clouds, steam, ice, movements of water
Tides – Currents.

Group II

Reptiles, Kinds of Snakes. Fish – Crabs &
Lobsters – Insects – A Spider – its web –
Birds – Covering, beaks, legs & feet
Rooks – Long-birds – visitors – Cuckoo &
swallow. Parts of a plant. Roots,
Stems, Leaves, Flowers, Primrose, Daisy
Fruit, Kinds, Ferns.

Infant Class

List of Object Lessons

Parts of a Plant, The Root.
Different Kinds of Roots, The Stem,
Stems, Leaves, Flowers
The Primrose, The Daisy, Common
Fruits, Fruit, Different Kinds
of Fruit, Gooseberries, Currants

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Common Plants, Carrot & Parsnip,
Potato, Pease & Beans,
Bread, Salt, Sugar, Milk, Water

July 24th

A Sunday-School Treat, Kingsbridge
Fair and one very wet morning
have greatly reduced the attendance
this week.

July 31st

Schools closed for Harvest Holidays

July
Aug. 31st Schools reopened.
Edith Hutchings has
returned to school after an
absence altogether this year
of 6 months. She is not,
however prepared to commence
her own lessons.
She has done but two weeks
study for the whole of this year.

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1903

Sept 4 As the harvest is not yet over,
owing to the bad weather, only
half of the upper division have
been present at all this week.

Sep. 7. Visited the school & tested Registers
Conrad Finzel

Sept 11 The same conditions as during last
weeks prevails in the upper division.
A new clock has been fixed.

Sept 30 Schools come under control of County Council

Oct 3 E. Hutchings has commenced
taking lessons again.

Oct. 6. E. Hutchings away – unwell
Oct 11 “ “ returned

Oct. 7. Visited the school – very fair attendance
& good order Conrad Finzel

Oct.r 21 Visited the school attendance
bad order good Philip Cole

Oct 27th 1903 School visited – W. M.C. England

Nov. 11 Visited the school & found all in order
Examined Registers Conrad Finzel

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Blank

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Dec 4th A Burgain away since Nov. 30th
with a bad throat
The attendance is exceedingly
unsatisfactory.
Have not yet received apparatus
ordered 10 weeks ago.

Dec. 10th Visited this school found the
registers correct

Thomas Honeywill

- Dec. 23 Schools closed for
Christmas Holiday
- Jan. 12th/04 Visited the schools which reopened
yesterday attendance poor
Florence A. Holdsworth
- 22nd/04 Visited schools – better attendance
Florence A. Holdsworth
- 29th/04 Visited schools poor attendance
Florence A. Holdsworth
- Jan 29 Two wet mornings and a tea at
Beesands have seriously interfered
with the attendance – 75½%

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- Feb 5th For two days this week the whole
of the Hallsands children have
been absent owing to the heavy
gale.
Edith Hutchings has also been
away four days with a cold
- Feb. 12. E. Hutchings returned to school
on Wednesday.
The bad weather still continues to
affect the attendance of the Hall Sand
children.
- Feb.y 26th Visited the school
Florence A. Holdsworth
- Mar 8. Visited the School Conrad Finzel
- Mar. 22. Visited the School. All in good order
Conrad Finzel
- March 24 Visited this school found registers
correct – small attendance
Thos. S. Walters Symons

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- March 23rd The P.T., E. Hutchings has again been
away the whole of the week – not very well.
The attendance is very bad indeed.
The C. C. have as yet done nothing to
improve it and a certain part of the
children are getting very negligent.
Many of them have made little more
than half-time attendance during this year.
- April 14th 1904 School visited = Mary Foss (12) was
examined and passed in St. V = Elsie
Mitchelmore (13) Kate Dimond (12)

Willie Crocker (13) George Steer (12) and Robert Jarvis (12) were examined and passed in St. IV

W. M. C. England

Apr. 21st

The Managers have agreed that the above named children are at liberty to leave school

May 11th

An attendance officer Mr. F. A. Brown has been appointed to commence duties today.

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1904

May 20

May 30

June 8th

School closed for Whitsuntide Holiday

School re-opened

Visited the School. Attendance much better.

Florence A. Holdsworth

The Scheme of Work 1904-5

As last year (see pp 326-330_ with the following exceptions

I Scheme B instead of Scheme A for Arithmetic

II Geography – Group I Scotland & Ireland in place of England.

Group II – Europe instead of British Empire

III Recitation – Somebody's Mother

Barbara Freitchie the Revenge, the

Poor Fisher Folk – selections from Shakespeare

IV History – 55 – 1066 A.D. 20 stories

Group II 1603 – 1837

Sewing – Group II Patches – print & calico

Darning – a thin place – a hole

Methods of Making openings

cutting out a chemise (VII a nightdress)

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1904

Elementary Science

Group I

(1) Human Body – skeleton – Nutrition digestion – circulation

waste removing organs – the nervous system – sense organs.

(b) Essential characters of vertebrate animals

(c) Classification of Mammals

Group II

Classification of Animals

Mammalia- Soft-bodied animals

Aves – Reptilia

Infants

As last year see pp 229 – 230

except

(I) Object Lessons

Soft bodied Animals – Snails

- Slugs, Worms, Insects, Butterflies,
Wasps – Bees
(II) Familiar Animals –
Mole – Bat – Donkey – Sheep & Cows

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Hedge-hog – Horse – Dogs
Rats & Mice – Rabbits & Hares
III Birds
Classes of Birds – Domestic Birds
IV Reptiles – Frogs – Toads – Snakes
V Fish
Conversational Lessons
Old Mother Goose
Aladdin & the wonderful lamp
Blue Beard
The Grant Hands
Ali Baba & the Forth Thieves
Goody Two Shoes
Jack the Giant Killer
Patty & Her Pitcher
Peter & his Goose
Puss in Boots
Recitation
King Charlie & I love Sixpence
The Beedles' Breakfast

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- 1904
June 28th E. Hortin away. Monday morning
Tuesday afternoon & the whole of
Wednesday & Thursday owing to illness
Visited this school found the
attendance good and things working
smoothly Thomas Honeywill
- June 29 School closed June 30th & July 1st for
festival at Stokenham.
Edith Hutchings left her
apprenticeship having expired.
- July 8th Visited the schools, attendance not so
good as should be owing to
parents fishing. Florence A. Holdsworth
- July 14. Visit of inspection. I shall be much obliged
if the Managers will obtain efficient guards
for the stoves. The seats of the desks are too
high for the smallest children in the mixed school
and accordingly they have to sit with legs dangling
in the air. When the carpenter fixes the new
cupboard, he might also – if it be possible – fix
foot-rests of some kind to a sufficient number of
desks to accommodate these children, and the cost

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may be charged in a quarterly account.

July 19th R. E. Moyle Inspector D.C.E.C.
Visited the schools – found all in order
but attendance not quite so good as one
would expect Florence A. Holdsworth.

July 22 Copy of Inspector's Report
July 1904
Mixed School
The behaviour & industry of the
children, as well as their progress
are very highly satisfactory
Infants Class
This Infants' Class is an
exceptionally good one

Aug 3rd C. C. architect visited the school.
Aug 5th School closed for Summer
Holiday.

Sept. 5 School re-opened after
Summer Holiday.

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Sept 7th Mr. Honeywell visited the school
to complain of some Beesand
boys having been in his turnip fields.

Sept 20th 1904 School visited – Beatrice Steer (13 yrs) was
examined & passed in St. V
W. M. C. England

Sep. 16th 1904 Visited the School & found all in
good order Conrad Finzel

Sept 30th 1904 Visited the School copies correct and
all in good order
N. B. Prettejohn

25th Oct 1904 Visited this school examined the
registers found them correct
Attendance very good
T. S. Walters Symons

Nov. 23 1904 Visited the School & found all in
satisfactory order
Conrad Finzel

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Dec. 9th Wet weather & a sale at Beesands
has reduced attendance this

week by 9%

- Dec. 21 Absent Friday the 18 & following Monday
& Tuesday Morning to attend Managers'
Meeting E. Horton
- Dec. 23 School closed for Xmas Holidays
- Dec. 23 Gave up charge of this school to-day
E. Horton
- Jan. 9. 1905 Commenced duties as Head
Teacher in this School today
C. Saunders
- Jan. 9. 1905 Visited the School on reopening under
Miss Saunders. Nellie Symon has
begun her work today – all in good
order & very fair attendance
Conrad Finzel
- Jan 23rd 1905 Visited the schools – fair attendance
all in order Florence A. Holdsworth

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- Jan. 25th Last week's Average Attendance 84.3
Several absent (last week)
with colds.
Drill was taken in the play-
ground today, the first time
for many weeks, owing to
the weather.
- 30th Visited the schools – fair attendance
Beach badly wanted in playground
all in order Florence A. Holdsworth.
- Feb. 1st The Lynn family absent through
sickness. Some of them for 2
weeks.
A new song taught in Infants'
Room yesterday.
- “ 10th A Sunday School Treat at
Beesands has diminished the
attendance greatly, this afternoon
only 34 older scholars present
and 20 infants.

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- Feb. 13th Visited the schools – Good attendance
in the infant school
All in order Florence A. Holdsworth
- Feb 15th 1905 School visited – Oscar Powlesland (12)
John Parsliffe (12) & Edith Rundle (12)
were examined and passed in St. V
W. M. C. England

Feb 23rd 1905 Visited this school attendance fairly good, desks in Infants room still not arrived. Thomas Honeywill

February 23rd Several families have measles hence the attendance is not good this week.
A Stock Cupboard is very badly needed – though ordered some months since, it has not arrived.

March 1st Three families still absent because of measles.

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March 9th A deviation from the Timetable was made this morning – Std 4 had Recitation instead of Reading as they are rather backward in Recitation.

“ 15th The Attendance is still affected by Measles

17 Visited School attendance rather poor (to be accounted for by sickness)
N. B. Prettejohn

“ 23rd The Tonic Solfa lesson had to be given up on account of Mistress having a cold, and not being able to sing.

Some gravel has been laid on playground.

“ 31st This week's Average, 88.3

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April 7th Some children, who have had measles, have returned to School but several others have them so the attendance is still rather poor.

“ 10th A very small attendance of boys today – six out of a possible seven, in Std. 4, being absent – and several in the lower Stds.
The Infants' Attendance is very good.

“ 11th Only 35 (our of 63) present today of older scholars

and 29 out of 42 infants.
The older children have measles
and bad colds.

“ 12th School closed for a fortnight
on account of measles –
the attendance being so small

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that the Managers have decided
to give the Holidays now
instead of at Whitsuntide.
Only 44 were present this
morning out of 104.

May 22nd School re-opened – after being
closed for 5 weeks for
Measles.

“ 24th Mrs. Holdsworth kindly gave
to each child a bun; also
presented to the School a
Flag with portrait of Queen
Victoria – to commemorate
“Empire Day.”
The History Lessons for the day
were on the late Queen’s reign
The National Anthem was sung
in the playground at close of
the day, and the Flag saluted.

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May 26th Number on Registers 105.
Average for the week 101 – a
very good attendance.

	<u>Scheme of work 1905-6</u>
	<u>Upper Division</u>
Arithmetic	Scheme B. Metric System
Geography	Brit. Empire – Latitude & Longitude Causes affecting Climate
History	Reign of Victoria
English	
(a) Reading	Geog., Historical and Literary Rdrs.
(b) Writing	Reproduction of Oral and Reading Lessons – Simple Letter Writing
(c) Grammar	Proper use of parts of speech in talking and writing – parts of a sentence – punctuation.
(d) Recitation	“Arthur and Hubert” (King John) “In the Children’s Hospital” (Tennyson)
Sewing	Modes of fastening – toe of stocking – flannel patch Garment cut out and made by

each child.

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- Elementary) Science)
- (a) Classification of Mammals and other lessons on Animals
 - (b) Objects connected with the sea
 - (c) Economic products of plants
 - (d) Fruits – blossoms of fruit trees
Rose family
 - (e) Ferns
 - (f) Grasses

Lower Division

- Arithmetic Scheme B. Decimal Notation in Std 3.
- Geography Shape and size of Earth – Plans – Maps – Day and Night – Seasons – Definitions of Land and Water – Devon – England
- History Stories – 1066 – 1603
- English
- (a) Reading Geog: Historical and Literary Rds.
 - (b) Writing Transcription. Formation of sentences reproduction of oral and reading lessons – Dictation – Word building.
 - (c) Grammar Arnold's Language Lessons – Books 1, 2 and 3

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- (d) Recitation "Pipes of Lucknow" "Casa Bianca"
- Sewing Std. I – Ribbing – seam and fell run and fell.
II and III Ribbing and decreasing for stocking – pleating into band – tape sewing – Herring boning and darning on canvas – back stitching.
A garment for each child.
- Elementary Science
- (a) Classification of Animals
 - (b) Our Spring Flowers
H.C.
- June 2nd Good Attendance – Average 101
- June 5 Visited the School & found all in good order
Conrad Finzel
- June 7th Visited the school – good attendance
Florence A. Holdsworth
- June 12th Holiday – Whit Monday
- “ 13th Many boys absent this afternoon on account of a Fair at Beesands.

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June 16th

A very poor attendance this afternoon for the same reason as on the 13th

“ 20th

The desks and cupboard ordered by the C. C. Inspector 12 months ago, have not yet arrived.

“ 23rd

The week's Average 97.8 –
Number on Registers 109

“ 29th

Holiday for a Flower Service at Stokenham

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1905

Copy of Inspector's Report

July 1905

Mixed School

The children are in excellent order and are doing good work in all classes

Infants' Division

The Infant Class continues in a very good state of efficiency. The desks in their class room are in very bad repair.

July 11

Visited the School & found all in good order.

Conrad Finzel

July 14th

The week's Average 97.9
Number on Registers 108

“ 18th

The Object Lesson for the Upper Division was on Seaweeds today.

July 20th 1905

School visited – Elsie Lynn was examined and passed in St. V. W. M. C. England

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July 31

Visited the School before breaking up for holidays – found all in good order

Conrad Finzel

Aug. 4th

The School was closed for the Summer Vacation.

Sep. 4th

School re-opened – An attendance

of 68 older scholars.

Sep. 4. Visited the school – attendance good
all in good order Conrad Finzel

Sep. 5th Mrs. Holdsworth visited the School
and gave Prizes to girls for
Needlework.

Sep. 8th Week's Average Attendance 91

Sep. 8th Week's Average Attendance 91

Sep. 15th Three or four cases of
Scarletina have affected the
attendance this week.

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Sep. 22nd Two families have to be
excluded from attendance owing
to Scarletina.

“ 29th Half holiday on account of
the Beesands Harvest
Thanksgiving. So many
absent that on the advice of
Rev: C. Finzel those present
were dismissed after dinner.

“ 29th There are two or three cases of
Scarlet Fever among the children.

Oct. 6th The families in which there are
cases of Scarlet Fever are to
be excluded from School.

“ 13th Attendance very fair.

“ 20th Week's Average – 92. Number
on Registers 106.

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Oct 27th Every precaution is being taken
with regard to cleaning and
disinfecting the School – to prevent
the spread of Scarlet Fever if
possible.

Nov. 3rd Two more families have Scarlet
Fever – eleven children are now
excluded from school attendance.
The Average is thus considerably
lessened weekly.

“ 6th Miss A. Burgain is unable to be
present because of illness.

Nov. 13. Visited the School. Attendance very poor, otherwise everything satisfactory inspected the Registers
Conrad Finzel

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Nov 17th Average Attendance 73. Number on Registers 105.
The attendance is very poor indeed – over 30 being absent on several days – some are taking advantage of the exclusion of Scarlet Fever cases.

“ 20th A few have returned to School after being absent for a week or fortnight. The excuses are not justifiable. Only one Doctor's Certificate has been produced.

“ 24th Average this week 83.
The Superintendent Attendance Officer's visit has had the effect of arousing some parents to send their children better.

Dec. 1st Average 84 this week.

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Dec 6th There are 15 children excluded from School now fr Scarlet Fever
12 of these having been absent for many weeks.

“ 8th Visit of Mrs. A. F. Holdsworth

“ 15th This week's Average 82 – Most children are attending well now but the 15 cases of exclusion from Scarlet Fever, of course. greatly diminish the attendance.

“ 18th Examination commenced today at end of 2nd Term.

“ 22nd School closed for a fortnight for Xmas Vacation.
Mrs. Holdsworth kindly presented each older scholar with a Bible and each child in Infants' Class with a book and other gifts.

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1906
Jan 8th

School re-opened. A good attendance on the whole.
Most of those excluded through Scarlet Fever have returned.

“ 10th

Visit of Mrs. Holdsworth.

“ 19th

The attendance continues to be good.

“ 26th

Average this week 95.

Feb. 2nd

Average 96

“ 7th

A Tea at Beesands has greatly diminished the attendance this afternoon

“ 15th

Ordinary work. Attendance good.
The new Stock Cupboard ordered so long ago has not arrived yet.
We are greatly inconvenienced thereby.

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March 2nd

This week's Average 96 –
99 being the number on Books.

“ 7th

The following is a copy of a resolution drawn up by the Attendance Committee and passed on March 1st
“Resolved that schools should not be closed on any occasions, where there are present not less than 40 per cent of the children on the books.”

“ 16th

Weekly Average 95.4

“ 19th

Owing to illness Miss A. Burgain is unable to attend School.
The usual routine is therefore interfered with and I have to arrange the lessons as most convenient, having to superintend the instruction of all the Standards, with the help of a

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monitress only.

March 28th A good attendance today, only one child absent.

April 2nd. Miss H. Burgain and Miss A. Burgain are obliged to be absent on account of the death of a relative

“ 4th School closed for the same reason for half day.

“ 6th About a dozen are absent on account of having mumps.

“ 11th Only 79 present this afternoon, 25 being absent with mumps.

“ 12th The School closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday.

“ 17th School re-opened. A very good attendance.

“ 20th Average for the week 99.8 Number

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on the registers 105.

April 25. 1906 School visited H. Cowie H.M.I.

April 26th 1906 Inspected drawing Arthur W. Geffiken

“ Visited the school & signed Registers all in good order
Conrad Finzel

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April Drawing Suggestions

Free Drawing Discontinue the use of small and faulty copies. Use large, bold demonstrations and actual objects. Draw objects as seen and not treat as elevations.
Practise memory Drawing regularly by direct reference to actual objects. Practise free arm Drawing when possible.
Practise brush Drawing chiefly in the direction of correctly defining objects by the shapes of their masses.

Drawing to Scale Use actual objects, shewing in books a figured sketch of each object and the constructed scale

Geometry

used.

Write out problems in books and apply to practical work.

Infants

Discontinue squared and dotted work, also ruler work. Use actual

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objects, flat, circular, cylindrical, etc. so placed as not to require knowledge of perspective. Draw as seen, not as elevations. Practise memory Drawing regularly and frearm Drawing as soon as possible.

The above are "Suggestions" made by the Drawing Inspector A. Geffiken Esq.r

Visited School examined Registers everything very satisfactory.

N. B. Prettejohn
May 9th 1906.

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Copy of Inspector's Report
May 1906

Mixed and Infants' Division

The order is very good, the teaching is sound and intelligent and the general progress very satisfactory. New desks have been supplied in the Infant room. The lower part of the walls in the main room should be wainscoted; and the cloakroom accommodation should be improved.

May 10th

Visited the schools found all in order Florence A. Holdsworth

May 18th

The attendance is still affected by some sickness among the children.

" 25th

This week's Average 88
Number on Registers 99

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June 1st

School closed for a week for Whitsuntide.

" 11th

School reopened – 94 present.
Miss A. Burgain absent through

illness.

- “ 14th On account of the large number who attended a Menagerie at Torcross, a half holiday was given.
- “ 15th Attendance good this week.
Average 94 On Registers 97.
- “ 22nd An alteration in the first lesson for the boys is being made on Tuesday afternoon (and Wednesday) Instead of Spelling and writing drawing is taken by Stds. 1, 2 and 3 on Tuesday, and the spelling and writing on Wednesday.
For the other Standards, the drawing is taken on Wednesday

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as before.

- June 28th Holiday for the Stokenham Flower Service.
- June 29th Visited the School & checked Registers all in good order
Conrad Finzel
- July 6th This week's Average 95.
Number on Registers 98
- July 30th Visited the schools good attendance all in order Florence A./ Holdsworth
- Aug. 1st School closed for the Summer Vacation
- Sep. 3rd School re-opened.
- Sep. 10 Visited the School – examined the Registers all in good order
Conrad Finzel

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- Sep. 14th There are two cases of Scarlet Fever and two cases of Diphtheria among the children.
- “ 21st The Attendance is affected by cases of illness.
- Sept 25th 1906 School visited = Nellie Foss was

examined & passed in St. VI &
Rhoda Parsliffe was examined & passed
in St. V

W. M. C. England

Sep. 28th Only 50 children present on account
of the Harvest Thanksgiving at
Beesands – so they were dismissed.

Oct. 5th Average 84.7 Number of Registers
98

“ 12th Average 88

“ 19th “ 91

“ 26th “ 93

Nov 2nd “ 91

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Nov 5th Visited the Schools – found all
well – fairly good attendance
Florence A. Holdsworth.

“ 16th The Attendance continues to be good –
over 90%

“ 23rd Drill is conducted in Schoolroom –
on account of muddy state of
playground.

“ 30 This week's Average 94, out of a
possible 97

Dec. 7th School is closed at 4 p.m. instead
of 4.10 on account of the long
distances which most of the
children have to go – and the
darkness.

Dec. 14th Visited the school – found all in good
order. Examined Registers
Conrad Finzel
Chairman

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1906

Dec. 21st School closed for a fortnight's holiday

1907

Jan. 7th The School was re-opened today.
Several absent with colds.
Visited the School
All in good order
Conrad Finzel

Jan. 11th Average 86 – only very fair

attendance. Number on Registers 93.

“ 24th The snow and severe weather have considerably lessened the attendance. All the children have long distances to come.

“ 25th Only 34 (out of 93) came this morning because of the snow. The Registers were not marked therefore and the children were dismissed after morning school.

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Feb. 5th Visited the schools found all in order very fair attendance
Florence A. Holdsworth

“ 7th Half holiday for the Beesands Sunday School Treat.

Feb. 15 Average Attendance this week 86.8
Number on books, 93

“ 22 Elsie Hutchings (Std 5) has been absent for a month, has rheumatism.

March 1 Weekly Average 84.9 – out of 92
several have colds.

“ 8 This week's Average 86.2 – out of 91.

March 19th 1907
School visited W. M. C. England

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1907
March 28
School closed until
Tuesday April 2nd for Easter

Visited the schools. Found all in order Florence A. Holdsworth 3/4/07

April 5th The attendance is much improved, the average being 91 this week out of a possible 95.

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April 12 Copy of H.M.I. Report
after Visit of March 19th 1907

“The discipline is good
and the progress of the children

is satisfactory in all subjects of instruction.

Attention is again called to the very inadequate cloakroom accommodation. The gallery in the classroom is in a bad state of repair: it would be well to remove it and substitute desks."

April 19

Average 93.8

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Ap. 29

Visited the school & found all in good order

Conrad Finzel
Chairman

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1907
July

Visited the school & found all in good order

Conrad Finzel

June 27)
28)

Holiday – 2 days on account of a Flower Service

July 5

This week's Average 96 out of 104

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So many returned home after the morning School, that a half holiday was given on account of the Sunday School Treat at Hallsands.

July 31st

The School was closed for the Summer Vacation for a month.

Sep 2nd

School re-opened – 66 older scholars and 28 Infants present.
Miss A Burgain cannot return to her duties on account of ill health. Her Doctor orders a rest for her.

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As she has usually had charge of Stds. I, II and III numbering 38 children the work is very difficult no for the Mistress. The entire School of 6 Standards, numbering 73 has to be taught by Mistress with help of 1 pupil teacher.

It is probably that Miss Burgain

will have to be absent for 2 months, therefore a Temporary Assistant Teacher is certainly required.

Sep. 9. Visited the School & examined the Registers – all in good order
Conrad Finzel

Sep. 9th Miss Cranch (uncertificated) commenced duties as Temporary Assistant today – in place of Miss A. Burgain who is absent through illness.

Sep. 9. Visited the School & examined Registers all in good order. Excellent attendance
Conrad Finzel

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Oct. 15 Owing to a Harvest Festival at Hallsands, the number present was only 82 this afternoon, out of 104.

“ 16 A very wet morning has caused a small attendance. 74 present.

“ 18 Only about a dozen children came to School, owing to the stormy weather. These were dismissed.
This week's Average is 88.

“ 25 Weekly Average 94

Nov. 1 Miss G. Cranch, Temporary Assistant, completed her duties here today.

“ 4 Miss A. Burgain resumed her duties today, after an absence of 2 months, through illness.

“ 8 A good attendance this week.

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Nov 19th 1907

School visited W. M. C. England

Nov. 27 Visited the School & examined the Registers all in good order
Conrad Finzel

Dec. 10th The children were examined in Arithmetic, Composition, Dictation, Geography and Reading today, next week being the end of the 2nd Term's

work

- Dec. 20th The School was closed for a fortnight for the Christmas Holidays.
- Jan 6th 1908 School reopened with an attendance of 91
- Jan 8 Visited the school & inspected the Registers
Conrad Finzel

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- Jan. 17th No pupil teacher has been appointed to take the place of Miss Nellie Seymour who has left the School on account of the illness of her Mother. Mrs. Holdsworth has informed the Mistress that most probably a girl can come as a Monitress in a month's time.
- Jan. 24th Average this week 93.2
- “ 31st Average 94.2 out of 104
- Feb. 7th Week's Average Attendance 97
- “ 28th Percentage of Average Attendance for Month ending Feb. 28th = 94.2
- Mar. 20th Visited the School & checked Registers find all in good order
Conrad Finzel

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- March 27th May Perry commenced her duties as Monitress on March 16th
On March 18th she informed me that there was a case of measles in her family. I, therefore, considered it right she should return home.
Visited the schools & found attendance all in order
Florence A. Holdsworth
Philip Cole
- April 6th May Perry has returned to School and is teaching as a Monitress.
- 13th Visited this school & find the attendance very good and all order.
Thomas Honeywill

- 15th Visited School, all satisfactory
Conrad Finzel
- 16th Visited the School and found everything
in good order
N. B. Prettejohn
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- April 16th School closed for a week's holiday
for Easter.
- “ 27th School re-opened with an attendance
of 93.
- April 29.1908 School visited
H. Cowie H.M.I.
- April 30th/08 Visited this school & find attendance good
and all in order
Thomas Honeywill
- May 4th Work of a new School year commenced
today.
- May 14th R. E. Moyle Esqr. visited this afternoon.
- “ 25th Mrs. Holdsworth and Mr. Honeywill
(Managers) visited School this
afternoon. Empire Day was
observed by the singing of
patriotic songs, saluting

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- Union Jack in the playground and
by an address from Mrs. Holdsworth,
after which she presented each
scholar with a flag and a bun.
They were dismissed early.
- June 15 Visited the School – all in order
good attendance – after holidays
Conrad Finzel
- June 15 School re-opened after a week's
holiday for Whitsun – with an
attendance of 104.
- June 19 The 1st lesson on Tuesday afternoon
is continued for 10 minutes longer
than the time on Time Table on
account of the C. Council regulation
re. Needlework – 3 hours per week.
- July 6 Visited the school & found all in

good order
Conrad Finzel

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July 7 – 1908 Copy of Inspector's Report
after Visit of 29th April 1908

"The order is very good and the teaching is given with much pains and care but it would probably be more effective if the children were called upon to do more for themselves.

"There should be no further delay in improving the cloakroom accommodation for Girls."

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July 10th A holiday on account of a Flower Service at Stokenham Church.

July 21 The examination by the Mistress at the end of the 1st term of the School year was conducted today. 103 children present.

July 29 The School was closed for the Summer Vacation.

Aug. 31 School re-opened with an attendance of 103.

Sep. 3 Visited the School – all in good order & attendance very good considering the weather
Conrad Finzel.

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Sep. 21st Composition (oral) will be taken instead of Geography by Stds. II and III on Friday mornings.

Sep. 22nd Samuel Steer, Frederick Pound and Arthur Jarvis are three boys who constantly give considerable trouble and annoyance to the Mistress. No corporal punishment has been given to them.

Sep. 25th Owing to a Harvest Thanksgiving at Beesands only 60 children were present this afternoon, out of 110.

Sep. 29th A Harvest Thanksgiving at Hallsands has reduced the attendance to 82 this

afternoon.

Oct. 2nd Average for the week, 103.

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Oct. 7th/08 Visited the schools – good attendance
& all in order
Florence A. Holdsworth.

Oct. 16th Average for this week 105

“ 20th Visit of W. C. England Esqr. H.M.I.

“ 26th May Perry (Monitress) absent through
a cold.

“ 30th May Perry has been obliged to be
absent all the week.

Nov. 11th Visited the schools. All in order
Good attendance – girls cloak room
being altered.
Florence A. Holdsworth.

Dec. 7 Visit of the Rev. C. Finzel

Dec. 14 The children came this morning in
such a very wet state that I
sent them home again, as I

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considered it dangerous to let them
dry their clothes, without removing
them. We could not possibly
let them dry themselves here,
as they were wet through.

Dec. 23rd School closed for the Christmas
Holidays.
Mrs. Holdsworth very kindly presented
each child with a shilling, a
bun, and a cracker – the number
of scholars thus receiving these
being 107.

1909
Jan. 11th The School was re-opened today
The number present was 99.

“ 25th Visited the School & checked Registers
all in good order. The recent
alterations of porches a great
improvement.
Conrad Finzel.

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- Jan. 28th Only 53 are present and marked this afternoon, owing to a Sunday School Treat at Beesands.
- Feb. 1st An alteration was made in the lessons this afternoon. The boys, with exception of Stds. I and II will take Drawing on Tuesday instead of on Monday afternoons. This is necessary as the Drawing Class of boys and girls, including Stds. 3 to 6, is too large for the Teacher to give the required individual attention, in the drawing of copies of actual objects.
- March 16th Visited the schools – good attendance & all in order
Florence A. Holdsworth.
- March 18th 1909 Schools visited. Willie Foss, Fred Pound & May Torr were examined & passed in St. V
W. M. C. England

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- April 8th The School was closed for a week for Easter.
May Perry (Monitress) has been absent for 3 weeks, on account of illness.
- April 19th School re-opened.
- “ 26th The week's average attendance 104 – out of 110.
- May 11th May Perry is not yet able to return to School.
- “ 28 The School was closed for a week-s holiday for Whitsuntide
- June 7 School re-opened.
- June 8 Visited the School & found good attendance & all in good order.
Conrad Finzel

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- June 24 Holiday for a Flower Service at Stokenham Church.
- July 28 School closed for the Summer Vacation.

Augst. 30th Schools re-opened after Summer holidays. Good attendance
All in order Florence A. Holdsworth

Aug. 30th Rewards were given by the Mistress for Arithmetic, Reading and Oral Composition in every Standard for best work done during the

First School Term, ending today.

Sep. 3. The Attendance is only fairly good – owing to a few cases of whooping cough, and the harvest.

Sep. 17 The Attendance is good.
Arithmetic tests were set in Stds. 4 to 6 today.

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Oct 5 Owing to a Harvest Festival at Hallsands, the attendance has been small this afternoon.

Nov. 2nd/09 Visited the schools – good attendance all in order Florence A. Holdsworth.

Jan 10th/10 Visited Schools After Xmas holidays Found all in order & good attendance Florence A. Holdsworth.

Jan. 10 – 1910 School re-opened after a fortnight's holiday for Xmas.

Jan. 19 Arthur Jordan spoke to Miss A. Burgain most impertinently yesterday, using foul language in the presence of several younger children.

“ 26 The Attendance is affected by rough weather, whooping cough, and colds.

Jan. 28 This week's average 95.6 out

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of 108.

Feb. 11th Only half of the children were present this afternoon, owing to a Sunday School Treat at Beesands – 54 out of 108.

Feb 18th and 25th During the last two weeks, a large number have been absent, owing to severe colds. This week's average

attendance was only 82 out of 108.

Drill has been taken out of doors only twice since Christmas Holidays, owing to the weather. It is very difficult to have it in the Schoolroom owing to want of space.

Feb. 28th Only 67 present today. A great deal of sickness.

March 11 A better attendance this week, but several are still away suffering with

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severe colds; some have Influenza
Weekly Average 91.6

March 14 Number present today 99 out of 106.

Mar. 23 Visited the School – rather small attendance on account of sickness – all in good order in Books & School
Conrad Finzel

Mar. 24 School closed for the Easter Holidays.

April 4. School closed for the Easter Holidays.

April 4 School re-opened.
“ 11 Usual work.
“ 12 W. C. England Esqr. (H.M.I.) visited this morning.

May 13. The Medical Inspection of about 30 children took place today.

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May 13 School closed for the Whitsun Holidays.

May 23 School re-opened.

May 30 Visited the school & inspected premises – attendance good – gave away the good attendance certificates.
Conrad Finzel.

June 2 Visit of R.E. Moyle Esqr. Devon C. Inspector of Schools.

A notification from the Board of Education has been received to the effect that the School will be recognised from Aug. 1st 1910 as providing accommodation for 105 children.

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July 26

No Report from H.M. Inspector has been received for the year ending April 30th.

Instead of reading and writing on Tuesday afternoons according to Time Table, the boys have a Drawing lesson (Stds 4 to 7). On Monday afternoons the reading and writing are done by these boys instead of Drawing as on Time Table. This alteration has been found necessary in order to give more individual attention in the brush drawing of objects the class being made thus smaller.

July 27

Visited the School & examined Registers all in good order & attendance fair.

Conrad Finzel
Chairman.

July 27

Gave up charge of this School today. C. Saunders

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July 27

The School was closed today for the Summer Vacation for a month.

August 29th

School re-opened this morning under the temporary charge of E. J. Symes 'Supply' teacher under the Devon County Education Committee.

Aug 29th

The School reopened under Miss Symes a good attendance – checked registers & found all in excellent order
Conrad Finzel.

Aug. 30th

Mrs. Holdsworth called at the school during the afternoon.

September 8th

During the dinner time a boy (John Crispin) fell and put his elbow out of joint whilst climbing a corn-rick in a field near by.

“ 29th The Hallsand's boys punished for being late this morning.

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1910

September 29th Most of the “Sands” children asked to be allowed to go at 4 o'clock this afternoon, so the registers were closed quarter of an hour before the usual time

October 3rd The Head Teacher was absent from school for the first hour this morning.

“ 4th Twenty-two children are absent this afternoon on account of the Harvest Thanksgiving tea and service at Hallsand's Chapel. The majority of them are Hallsand's children.

“ 7th Thirty-nine children are away this afternoon, most of them on account of the Harvest Thanksgiving tea at Beesand's Mission Church.

“ 14th Owing to very rough storms many children were prevented from attending school this morning.

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1910

Three were sent home wet through.

Oct 17th. The school is closed for the day.

“ 18th Work resumed as usual this morning.

“ 31st A new stove has been fixed in the main room and fires begun today.

November 4th The second quarter of the School Year ended today. The average attendance for the quarter is 95.6.

15th Visited the schools. Good attendance all in order

Florence A. Holdsworth

Nov. 16 Visited the school
very good order & attendance
Conrad Finzel

December 1st A very wet day consequently the attendance is very low.

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1910

Dec. 9th

The temporary charge of this school ends today.

E. J. Symes

12 Dec 1910 88 children present this morning
91 " " " afternoon
T. BonnerChambers (see Index T)

Examined the Registers and
found correct

Signed Conrad Finzel

Dec. 14.1910

T. Bonner Chambers

23rd Dec.r

The Attendance Officer called this morning.
Mrs. Holdsworth called this afternoon and gave each child a present also very kindly each teacher was the recipient of a gift from this lady.

9 Jan 1911

School opened this morning after the Xmas Holidays.

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1911

Jan 11.1911

Examined the Registers and found them correct

Visited the school & examined the Registers – all in excellent order & a good attendance

Conrad Finzel.

13 Jan

Mrs. Holdsworth visited this morning.

18 Jan

Trying a new Time Table this week.

19 Jan

J. H. Greet Esq. H.M.I. visited this morning.

24 Jan

The Attendance Officer called this morning and left Circular 758 of the Board of Education, also the Punishment Book and the Devon County Needlework syllabus and Revised Edition instalment No. 1 "Suggestions for the Teaching of Needlework."

26 Jan.

A Sunday School tea caused a low attendance this afternoon.

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Feb 1911

Feb 13 The Attendance Officer called this morning.
“ 16 Visited school & examined Registers. very pleased with good order & great improvement in Singing
Conrad Finzel Chairman

Feb 24 Average attendance %

Feb 28th This morning is very windy and wet. The following children were sent home as their clothes were saturated with water:-
William Steer, Wilfred Login, Frederick Steer, Robert Lynn, Frank Login, Wm. Steer, Arthur Jordan, Edwin Hatherley George Partridge, Wm. Downing, Stanley Crispin, John Steer, Crofton Edmunds, Gerald Tarr, Gerald Edmunds, Edwin Spital, John Crispin, Philip Prettejohn Robert Steer, Harry Rogers, Maurice Edmunds, Cyril Stone, Cecil Login, Samuel Mitchel, Alfred Hutchings.

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Feb 1911

Ernest Steer, Wm. Hatherley, Percy Hutchings, Robert Crocker, Donald Shepherd, Alfred Crocker, Eveline Patey, Elsie Mitchelmore, Nellie Edmunds, Mary Moore, Winnie Patey, Beatrice Steer, Irene Steer, Louis Steer, Winnie HGatherley, James Moore, Hohn Moore, Hettie Steer, Cordeline Patey, Fred Shepherd Edith Shepherd, Louis Frost, Jessie Prettejohn, Kate Jordan, Eliza Gillard, Elsie Stone, Hilda Prettejohn Lily Shepherd, Alice Steer, Gladys Steer Charles Steer, Hilda Crispin.

The Registers were not marked. The following children were allowed to remain in school and received lessons:-
Rose Hutchings, Bertha Steer, Olive Prettejohn, Violet Shepherd, Florence Foss, Olive Pound, Edith Prettejohn, James Partridge, Wilfred Pound Doris Dure, Eliz Moore, Cathleen Partridge, Alfred Moore, George Hutchings, Gertrude Moore Beatrice Jordan

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Feb 1911

This afternoon the Registers were not marked. The children who were sent home this morning did not return this afternoon. The majority

of them live at Bee Sands and Hall
Sands (J. H. Greet Esq. H.M.I.)
7 March H. M. Inspector visited this afternoon
10 March. Mrs. Holdsworth visited this afternoon
20 March Examined Registers and found
them correct.
Signed:- Florence A. Holdsworth
T. BonnerChambers

27th March The Attendance Officer called this
morning.
31 March The average for the week was 93.3
% 94.2

1st April Received notice to close the school from
13 April to 24 April Easter Holidays.
6th April Temperature at 9am 40° Fah. Sun bright
air clear and dry E. wind.
24 April School opened this morning after
the Easter Holiday. 95 children present

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April 1911
24th April Wm. & H. Rogers came at 2.5 this
afternoon
28th April Average for the week, 95.
2nd May This afternoon Crofton and Nellie
Edmonds came at 1.56 the
registers were of course closed.
2nd May Mrs. Bonner Chambers absent this afternoon
suffering with a severe cold.
4th May Cautioned Wilfred Pound for
disorderly conduct before Miss
Burgain and Mrs. BonnerChambers
and his class. In moving over
the floor this boy has a bad
habit of scraping his feet and
making a great noise.
4th May Visited the Schools. Good attendance
all going on in order
Florence A. Holdsworth.
18th May R. E. Moyle Esq.r M.D. visited this
afternoon
24th May Mrs. Holdsworth visited this
afternoon
June 1 Visited the school & signed Registers. Very pleased
with the drill & informal singing
Conrad Finzel

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1911
12 June 1911 School opened this morning after
Whit Week Holiday 100 present
26 June 1911 School opened this morning after a
week's Holiday – Coronation Week
97 children present
30 June Average 97.7 % 95.78

7 July Average 96 % 95.1
 During the week the weather has been very hot and sultry.
 The playground has been very dusty.

12 July "Practical Arithmetical Examples of Every Day Life." have been started in Standard V
 The material we required for working the school has now arrived.

18 July The Attendance Officer called today.
 The attendance is short today owing to a Tea party at Hallsands.

19th July Cautioned the children re picking the flowers in the School Gardens.

24 July Received notice to close the school on Thursday evening for the Summer Holidays – to the end of August

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1911
 26th July Received a letter from the Chairman of the Managers to say the School Holidays will end 28 August

28 August Reopened school this morning after the Summer Holidays.

Aug 28 Visited the School on reopening after the Summer holidays – all in good order
 Signed the Registers
 Conrad Finzel

6 Sep.r 1911 Walter Scutt Esq. H.M.I. visited this afternoon

7 Sep. The children were weighed & measured today.

12 Sep. The attendance officer called

19 Sep. The Attendance continues to be very good. The weather very favourable for children to travel

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1911
 29 Sep. Average 93.6 No. on Books 96

2 October Crofton Edmonds withdrawn this morning by his mother.

5 October This afternoon Fred Steer, Robert Steer and Alfred Hutchings brought their pockets full of corn from the field of Mr. Partridge where Mr. Partridge was Threshing.

6 October The Medical Inspection took place today

Oct 16. Visited the School – excellent order
 Checked Registers

Conrad Finzel

- 24 Oct. Mary Prettejohn withdrawn by her father as it was raining.
- 26 Oct.r 1911 This morning was very wet. Miss Burgain got very much wet in travelling to School. The following children all had set stockings and wet clothing. They were particularly examined before sending them home:-

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- 26 Oct 1911 George Partridge, Robert Lynn, Crofton Edmonds, Herbert Jarvis, Frederick Steer, William Steer, Frank Login, Henry Heath, Gerald Edmonds, Eveline Patey, Florence Foss, Florence Fpss,. Violet Shepherd, Nellie Edmonds, Stanley Crispin, Jophn Steer, William Wright, Alfred Moor, Cecil Login, Herry Patey, Maurice Edmonds, Cecil Stone, Frederick Shepherd, Gertrude Moore, Hilda Prettejohn, Hettie Steer Clara Trout, Donald Shepherd, Robert Steer Wm. Steer, Robert Crocker, William Hatherley Samuel Mitchel, Alfred Crocker, John Crispin, Irene Steer, Robert Steer, Herbert Crispin, Ernest Steer, Philip Steer, John Steer, Elizabeth Marr, Dorothy Edmonds, Louisa Trout, Godetia Patey, Jessie Prettejohn Harry Rogers.
- The school meeting this morning had to be abandoned as the above took up a great deal of time and some of the desks were saturated with water – the rain having been beating in during the night.

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1911

- 3 Nov. Mrs. Holdsworth visited this morning Examined the Registers and found them correct.
Signed: Florence A. Holdsworth
T. BonnerChambers
- 7 Nov. Stove lighted in main room for the first time this year.
- 8 Nov. First Class had a lesson in ???? making in place of Reading and Spelling this morning.
- 8 Nov. The Standard VI & VII Girls were told by Miss Burgain to take all their Knitting of the socks they were making out as the scale they were working

14 Nov. from was not correct – which
16 Nov. she had given them. Seven Girls
The Attendance Officer called this afternoon.
Miss Burgain absent this morning
unwell.

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22 Nov. Reported Miss Burgain's absence by a letter
to the Correspondent B.N.O. Prettejohn Esq.
Mr. Wellington called today.

Copy of letter received from Dr. Todd.
"This is to certify that Miss A. Burgain
is suffering from enteritus and that
she is as yet unable to follow her
occupation

D. D. Todd M.D.

21.11.11

27th Nov. Mr. Wellington called this afternoon.
This afternoon 25 children absent
thro' going after the hounds.
They came five minutes after the
attendance registers were closed.
Mr. Wellington was present and
will refer the matter to Mr. Baldwin.

29 Nov. Miss Burgain present today. Absent since
16 November.

30 Nov. Received the following lines:-

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1911

This is to certify that in my
opinion Miss A. Burgain is
now fit to follow her employment.

D. D. Todd M. D.

23.11.11

Nov. 30 Visited the School & found all in
good order

Conrad Finzel

Dec. 12. Received the following letter
"Stokenham Vicarage
Kingsbridge 11 Dec.r 1911

Dear Mr. Chambers

The Schools will break up on
22 Dec.r Friday Evening and the
Holidays extend to the following
Monday fortnight.

With Kind regards

Sincerely yours

Conrad Finzel

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22nd Dec.r 1911 Mrs. Holdsworth visited this morning and gave each child one shilling, a cracker and an orange, also each teacher a present as a Xmas gift. The school broke up for the Xmas Holidays.

9 Jan. 1912 The School opened this morning
Jan. 11.1912 Visited School – all in good order
Conrad Finzel

Jan 22nd 1912 Received a supply of Exercise Books. Geography & History Books and other items from Messrs. E. J. Arnold.

On the 19th Inst. G. M. Fleming Esq. and the Architect with J. F. Young Esq. of the County Council visited the School Dwelling House and selected a sight for a New Dwelling House for the Teacher.

I gave Mr. Young a list of items required in the School e.g. Desks Offices, Wood Dado, Ceiling, Walls Windows etc.

2 Feb. % 85. Many children suffering with colds.

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8 Feb. This morning was very wet which has prevented many children coming to school.

19 Feb. The attendance is better today but some of the children have slight colds. 83 children present 10 children absent Louisa Trout sent home unwell – suffering with Dysentery.

21 Feb. The Attendance Officer called this morning.

22 Feb. This morning was very wet. 56 children present

23 Feb Average 76.2

1 March Average 84.8

7 March Received Govt. Forms

Mar 7. Visited the School & checked Registers - pleased with Children's Singing specially the "Solo Singing"
Conrad Finzel

March 15th Average 84.9 % 92.2
The heavy rains have prevented several children travelling to school during the past week.

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18 March Heavy rain during the night and also this

19 March morning. 71 children present Ba\r. 28.9
 We did not go to the playground this afternoon as it was so cold & wet.
 Temperature 52° at 2.30 am

20 March A very stormy morning only 72 present.

28 March J. H. Greet Esq. H.M.I. inspected the school today

4 April Closed school for the Easter Holidays

15th April Opened school this morning 87 children present.
 The School Attendance Officer called this afternoon.

Ap. 16 Examined Registers – attendance Good everything in order
 Conrad Finzel

30 April Miss. H. Burgain left today.

1 May Mrs. J. BonnerChambers took charge of the Infant Class

3 May Reorganising the school.
 Received the Scheme of work duly signed by H.M.I.

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Copy Form 35E

Devon. Local Education Authority
 Stokenham Huccombe Council School No. 460
 E. C. 5943/12 Reg.d No.

Inspected on 28March 1912

Report by B.M.I. A.M. Morley Esq.

Mixed “The children are very quiet and orderly. They are more responsive than they were, though many of the older scholars are not so active mentally as they might be. The general condition of the School has certainly improved during the last year or so, but much still remains to be done if it is to reach a really high level of efficiency. The points needing particular attention at present are improved expression in Reading, increased freedom and fullness in the written Composition and more systematic development or oral expression. Arithmetic is much better than it was, but

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readier acquaintance with short methods of calculation and their application would be found advantageous. Drawing has much improved, and the

Head Teacher has introduced Handwork which is being carefully developed.
Infants' :

The order is exceedingly good. Modifications have been introduced in the methods of teaching and have met with success. The children are not so reticent as they were and have made good progress in Reading, Writing and Numbers. The present condition of the class reflects much credit on the zeal and industry of the Teacher

J. E. T.

Despatched 11 April 1912

Staff

T. Bonner Chambers C.
Mrs. T. Bonner Chambers S.
Miss A. L. Burgain U.

Signed

Correspondent :-
Date -

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16th May

Sent notice Cards to H.M.I. and the County Council re. the Religious Knowledge Examination of the 23rd Ult.

21st May

This afternoon Gerald Edmonds withdrawn by his father. His attendance is therefore cancelled. Mr. Widger wanted him to help to drive some Bullocks to Strete.

23 May

Registers not marked today owing to the Religious Knowledge inspection and Examination.

24th May

Rev.d C. Finzell and Mrs. Holdsworth visited the school. Nine children left the school in mistake thinking they had Holiday. Their attendances are therefore cancelled.

3rd June

11th June

This afternoon closed school for one week – Whit Week. Opened School this morning. Henry Rogers came in late – just as the Registers were closed. He should have been in his line when the children marched into School.

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13 June

School not open by order of the Managers to enable children to attend a Service in Stokenham Church.

14 June

School open this morning.

17 June

Twelve children absent.
G. Moor, A. Moore, B. Moor came late at 10.29 too late to be registered.
The windows are covered with cobwebs both inside and outside. The windows on the outside are covered with wire work about $\frac{3}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch apart. These wires have never been removed since about six or more years. These wires cut the light into numberless rays and darken the room and would do so even if the windows were clean. The walls are covered with dust and cobwebs. The windows are too high. In the class room one window is

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about 8'6" from the floor and the other windows 7' 6" from the floor. The floor has not yet been repaired. I pointed this out to the director or the County Council Inspector at his last visit. Also the managers – I took the school correspondent over the school and pointed out all the defects.

Mr. Bignell the Diocesan Inspector remarked that he thought the ventilation as well as the desks and light should be improved.

The school desks are not suitable as the seats in the majority of cases are too high being $18\frac{1}{2}$ " high. The covers to the ink wells are dangerous as children and teachers get their fingers sometimes hurt.

We are not able to
Brushwork in the most approved

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way and as advised by H.M.I. owing to the unsuitable desks. The desks tops are at a most unsuitable slope instead of being flat. Three windows in the main room are 6' high and the other window 12' high that is these windows are the distance from the floor. The walls require plastering so

June 16.1912 that the dust will not remain upon them.
Visit of inspection. The desks really ought to be replaced by more modern and more satisfactory ones. In the meantime, the hinged planks of wood that cover the inkwells should be removed. I find that they get much in the way and necessarily cause a great deal of bother, besides being a source of danger to the children.
R. E. Moyle (Inspector D.C.E.C.)

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1 July

2nd July

Attendance Officer visited

“ “ “

July 3

Visited the school & signed registers – all in excellent order
Much pleased with the singing
Conrad Finzel

The Holidays will commence on July 29 & school re-open on 26 August.

26 August

School opened this morning at 9.30
99 Children on the books
85 Children present

3 Sep

Examined Registers & found correct
Found the School in Excellent order & attendance very good Signed Registers
Conrad Finzel
Signed T. BonnerChambers

18 Sep. 1912

Today I have cautioned Gertrude Moore and Robert

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25 Sep.

Seymour about their continuous misbehaviour or trifling conduct.
Received notice that the Medical Inspection will take place on Tuesday 1st Oct 1912

1st Oct 12

The desks are of a ??? and should be replaced as soon as possible by modern dual desks. There is a large number of children suffering from defective ?????? & sore throats the former being in a ????? measure one to the defective heating of the school rooms & the latter to the primitive sanitary arrangements which should secure early attention. ????

dormer windows are an absolute necessity & if these could be placed on the st. side of the school the lighting & insulation could be especially improved. The wire netting should be removed from the windows. The walls should also be ????? with plaster

The Headmasters house is in a very damp condition & a damage to his health the walls are saturated with moisture & the bedrooms unfit for habitation.

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1st Oct 1912 Examined Registers and found them correct.

Signed Florence A. Holdsworth
T. Bonner-Chambers

10 Oct 1912 Mr. Penwell Coast Guard called last night to complain regarding the lack of convenience and the state of the offices for his daughter.

17 Oct 1912 Excluded Olive Pound as suspected as having Ringworm and sent notices to the Medical Officers and the Correspondent.

Mrs. Steer of Hallsands has kept her son from school during the week suffering with Ringworm.

24 Oct 1912 This afternoon only 47 present owing to a meeting at Beesands re. Harvest

Received the following Report:-

“Report on Religious Instruction”
Huccombe Stokenham Council School

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Inspected By Mr. Bicknell on 23 May 1912
Section of Syllabus taken Second Syllabus begun
1 May 1911

Teacher	Group	Infants	Lower	Higher
Mrs. Bonner Chambers		“	Miss Burgain	Mr. Bonner- Chambers

No. of children in each Group	18	37	40
No. present	16	32	37

General Character of work	G	G	G
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General Report

“A change of teacher in the lower group tended somewhat to affect the work, but the new teacher is working well, and on the right lines, and

the little ones show that they are benefiting by the instruction given. In the middle group the knowledge of the Biblical narratives is decidedly good and the Hymns and Prayers are well known. The older scholars, as a rule, answer readily and intelligently questions on the fundamental Truths of the Christian Faith and on the moral

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and spiritual lessons contained in the selected Biblical Subjects.”

Honourable mention.

M. Steer. D. Edmonds P. Steer K. Partridge

L. Lynn H. Rogers A. Moore H. Steer

A Crocker G. Thornton W. Wright

G. Edmonds J. Partridge H. Heath

R. Hutchings, B. Steer. G. Edmonds

G. Stone. E. Patey. L. Sheppard. S. Crispin

G. Torr. M. Mingo.

Signed Geo. S. S. Bicknell

Diocesan Inspector

30th October

Some new desks arrived this afternoon.

4 November

Sent home Alfred Moor and Bessie Moore as the parents state they are not sure whether Gertrude is attacked with Chicken Pox or Scarletina I saw the father on Saturday afternoon and he promised to get a Medical certificate re the matter.

11 Nov.r

This morning the children of Mr. Moor brought a certificate from Dr. Todd to say they were suffering from a slight attack of an erroneous eruption.

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14 Nov.

Called the attention of the Attendance Officer to the absence of Wm. Steer

Nov. 19.

Visited the School. Very good order. Children like the new desks. The Singing very good

Conrad Finzel

27 Nov.

The weather was a little threatening for a storm or a continuation of the storm of yesterday so several children have been detained at home 61 present in the main room and 19 present in the class room.

12 Dec.r

The conduct of Clara Trout is very rude and insolent to all the teachers. She answers back and in walking over the floor she stamps very loudly. Her conduct is extraordinary

17 Dec.r Received notice to close the school on 20 Dec. 1912 and to reopen on the 6th Jan 1912. Post Cards sent to H.M.I. and to Exeter.
20 Dec.r "Broke up" for Xmas Holidays.

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1913

6 Jan 1913 Reopened this morning 92 children present out of 101
Jan. 8. 1913 Very good attendance & good order
Signed Registers
Conrad Finzel
22 January This afternoon the Sewing Lesson was abandoned owing to the dark afternoon. Arith. & Geography were taken instead.
28 January Very wet morning 63 present out of 103
30 Jan. This afternoon 95 children present.
5 Feb. Several children absent thro' a 'Tea party' at Bickerton 86 present out of 103
10 Feb. Cautioned Clara Trout again regarding her troublesome misconduct and disobedience in disturbing the class and school in talking and walking roughly over the school
26 Feb. H.M. Inspector inspected the school this morning. J. H. E. Greet Esq.

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17 March This morning Percy Thuel came to school suffering with a rash or scabs on his head and back. His father had kept him from school owing to this skin disease so I asked the boy to bring a medical certificate
21 March Good Friday
24 " No children came to school Easter Week.
31st March 91 children present this morning
Sent Winnie Ball home as her mother stated she had been suffering with Chicken Pox i.e. to bring a Medical Certificate.
Five children from Stokenham school came here this morning, but as the school at Stokenham is closed on account of Measles I asked them to bring a Medical certificate before I could admit them to this school.
1 April 1913 This morning the Attendance Officer called.
Regarding Winnie Ball he informed me she had been absent the required period and that she could be admitted

again forthwith.

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Regarding the five children from Stokenham he was going to make enquiries regarding the time since the last case of measles in their home and let me know
Regarding the case of Percy Thuel he informed me that Stokenham school had admitted this child without a medical certificate, that he was still attending the Stokenham school, that the father had simply told the teacher that the Doctor had said the child was fit to go to school. The attendance officer states the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to children had investigated the case.
Mr. Wellington the Attendance Officer called this afternoon and informed that two children had measles on the 24th Feb 1913 and two others of the same family and home had measles on the 10th March 1913

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and that two of the first named may attend school to-morrow without bringing a Medical certificate. These children have been attending Stokenham school which has been closed for an epidemic of Measles.

Apr 3rd

Visited school – Nothing done yet with the drainage outside
School attendance good & order Excellent
Conrad Finzel

13 Apr.

Received Form IX

19 Ap.

Some children suffering with colds Av. 89.9

21st

Admitted some children under 5 years.

22nd

This afternoon was very bright, warm & sunny. The air in the room was very strong owing to the drains or lack of such. We spent part of the last hour in the playground teaching and examining games & drill.

25 April

Temperature at 9.30 Main room 52°
Class room 54°

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1913

19 May Miss Burgain absent
School opened after Whit Week holiday

26 May Mrs. Holdsworth gave the children an address this afternoon after 4 pm. on Empire Day. The children marched past the Flat & saluted it. Each child was presented with a very nice bun by Mrs. Holdsworth

9th June 1913 Miss A. Burgain present today.
17th The desks were re-varnished to-day. The boy Robert Steer continues to be extraordinary troublesome to Miss Burgain and all the teachers of this school. He sits most of the day chattering and refuses to do the lessons set him. He appears to set the school a very bad example. I call the attention of the Managers to his conduct, his age and size. He has overgrown the control of Miss Burgain and is too backward to be placed with the higher classes.

26th June Today school not opened

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owing to the "Children's Service" at Stokenham.

27 June Cautioned Gerald Torr about his continuous poor conduct as he has to be reproved many times each day.

27 June Received notice from the Managers to close the school for the Summer Holidays on Wednesday July 30 and to re-open on Monday Sep 1st 1913

30th June 99 children present out of 107

3rd July R. E. Moyle Esq. visited this afternoon
9th July Today there is a "Tea" at Hallsands which appears to attract the children only 71 present out of 101

14 July This afternoon we weighed and measured the school children

Conrad Finzel

Juy 15th Visited the school
No improvements begun in Sanitation yet!
The school in very good order & singing excellent.

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16 July S. Baldwin Esq. visited the School this afternoon

30 July This morning was very stormy with

thunder & lightning. Only ten children ventured to school. Registers not marked in consequence.
Sent Gerald Torr home as his coat was so wet.
The following kept in school.
Crofton Edmonds, Gerald Edmonds
William Rogers, Victor Mitchelmore
Sidney Crispin, Harold Roper
John Roper, Hilda Crispin, Milly Friend.

30 July Only 4 children came this afternoon.
29 August Closed school for the Summer Holidays
1 Sep.r 1913 Opened school this morning
3 Sep.r 1913 The Attendance Officer called today
4 Sep. Seventeen children present this morning. The very heavy storm of rain, lightning & thunder preventing them travelling.

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18 Sep.

The room is very unbearable so I have to give the children some lessons in the playground from 3 p.m. this afternoon

26 Sep.

Usual progress during the week
Average 91.4

8 Oct.

The school was examined today by Dr. Corkery

17 Oct

Average 91.4

24 Oct

Average 88.7

Nov.5

Checked Registers & saw children at their Physical exercised. Very pleased with the singing
Conrad Finzel

T. BonnerChambers

18 Nov.

Wm. Clark came this afternoon as the Registers was closed and consequently loss his work.

21 Nov.

The average this week is 69 – with 93 on the Registers. Many children are suffering with sore throats. The weather has been very wet & stormy.
The Stove in the large room is burnt out and requires replacing or mending.

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The Stove in the classroom does not seem to act properly

5 Dec.r 1913

Receive notice of Religious Knowledge Examination

9 Dec.r

School not opened today in consequence of the Religious Knowledge examination

15 Dec.r

No school this afternoon as the children are invited to a Tea and Entertainment at Beesands

20 Dec.r Received notice to break up on the
19th Dec.r 1913 and to reopen on the
5th Jan 1914

5 Jan 1914 Re-opened this morning
68 children present

6 Jan Mrs. Bonner-Chambers absent this afternoon
through illness

15 Jan. J. H. Greet Esq. visited and Inspected
to-day.

16 Jan. Mrs. Bonner-Chambers still unable to
attend school.

23 Jan Mrs. Bonner Chambers still under Doctor's
care.

27 Jan. Received notice to close the school from
Friday 30 Jan to 23rd Feb. for

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alterations of school

29 Jan Mrs. BonnerChambers present this morning

30 Jan Closed school for alterations.

20 April School opened this morning after
the alterations of the building, offices
school yards and stoves etc.
The attendance officer called.

Ap. 27 Visited the School – very pleased with
alterations to school Rooms & Offices.

1 May During the past fortnight we have
been unable to have any Physical
Exercises in the School yards
owing to the dusty state of the
school yards. The dust was
unbearable as well as unhealthy. It
penetrated to a very great extent
into the school room and affected
the eyes and nostrils.
In wet weather the yards are very
dirty.

8 May Average 76

15 “ “ 76.5

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22 May Average 77.9

28 May Rev. C. Finzel visited and presented
the Certificates for Regular Attendance

8 June Miss Burgain absent this morning.
Open school after Whit week.

8 June The attendance was cancelled this
afternoon by orders of Rev. C. Finzel and
Mrs. Holdsworth. Managers – being
Empire Day. viz at 3.15p.m.

9th June Miss Burgain absent today

10th June Miss Burgain present today
11th June R. S. Moyle Esq. visited today
“ “ All the stoves must be fitted with satisfactory
guards before the end of the summer holiday
R. E. Moyle (Inspector D.C.E.C.0

22 June The Attendance Officer called
and reports that Wm. Brooking is under
the care of the Doctor suffering with
ringworm.

25 June No School today. Flower Service
26 June School open today 76 present
6 July Measured the height of the children.

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7 July The attendance called today
10 July Sent home Laurence Lynn & Elliath Lynn
who are suffering with Ringworm.

14 July Miss Burgain absent this morning
15 July Miss Burgain present today
24 July School closed for Summer Holidays
25 August School opened this morning.
75 children present

3 September We are all deeply grieved to hear of
the death of Rev. Conrad Finzel the Chairman
of the Managers of the school.
We are also deeply grieved to hear that
H.M.I. J. R. Greet died during the
Summer Holidays.

7 Sep.r School not opened today
by order of the Managers.

21 Sep. Mrs. Holdsworth visited
this morning and signed
the Registers

5 October Mr. Hannaford Attendance Officer
visited today.

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8 October A. M. Morley Esq. visited this afternoon.
J. W. Page Esq. visited this afternoon

13 Oct. The Attendance officer called today
15 Oct. Wm. Clark withdrawn by his parents
to go for the Doctor for his mother.

23rd Oct Dr. Baxendale & Nurse Neville visited
this morning and examined the children.
Wm. Steer was sent home by Dr. Baxendale as
he was so unclean

6 Nov. Average 67.4 5 cases of Ringworm
9 Nov. Evelain Login a child over five years of age
is reported by the attendance officer
that the Kingsbridge Attendance Com.tee
will not take any action to compel
her to attend school until the Spring.

18 Nov. Mrs. Holdsworth visited & examined
the Registers
1 Dec.r 32 children present this morning.
The weather is very wet. Rain
the whole of the night
21st Dec.r Mrs. BonnerChambers absent today
through a chill either through the wet

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school yard or the wet & damp Dwelling
House
23rd Dec.r School closed for Xmas Holidays
11 Jan 1915 Mrs. BonnerChambers present today
School opened after Xmas Holidays
15 Jan 1915 The Attendance Officer called this
morning.
The school yard was too wet to
have Physical Exercises this week.
19 Jan Mrs. Florence A. Holdsworth visited and
examined the Registers
18 Jan. The attendance officer called this
afternoon.
During the week I have been under
the Doctor's care for a kind of Blood
poisoning.
17 Feb. The heavy rain storm prevented many
children attending school today.
18 Feb. The Attendance Officer called this afternoon
26 Feb. The Attendance Officer did not call this
week. Many children absent
through severe colds.

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1 March Sent Victor Mitchelmore home as he is suffering
with Ringworm (A suspected case)
2 March Examined Registers & found
them correct
Signed: Florence A. Holdsworth
Manager
T. BonnerChambers
5 March The Attendance Officer called today at
4.30 p.m.
11 March Many children absent this afternoon.
The went to Stokenham to hear the
Clergyman "Inducted."
18th March The Attendance Officer called this
afternoon
Regarding Form 133c The attendance
Officer informs me that in the case a
parent requires the Form 144c filled up
on the attendances of his child that I
have to direct the parent to the
Attendance Officer for the certificate

of attendance.

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22 March

Gladys Stone sent home as she has been evidently suffering since 26 Oct 1914 with a skin disease and as she did not present a medical certificate.

1st April

Closed School for Easter Holiday to open 12 April 1915

12 April

School opened this morning. 63 children present. Victor Mitchelmore sent home for a Medical certificate as he has been suffering with a skin disease.

19 April

Received a Medical Certificate to say Victor Mitchelmore is suffering with Ringworm and unable to attend school See note 1st March. Sent a note to Mr. Brooking Kellaton re. Bertie Brooking's head as it appears to be again affected. Re classified the scholars after the Easter Holidays. One or two are backward in Arithmetic.

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1915

23 April

Only 18 children present owing presumably to a march past of some troops past Torcross.

23 April

Six children presented themselves this afternoon. Registers not marked.

27 April

Received notice of Medical Inspection from Dr. Atkins which has to take place 28th April in the afternoon.

29 Ap.

Mr. Price Attendance Officer called today P.M.

30 Ap.

Mr. Channing Attendance Officer called this afternoon.

5 May 1915

Examined Registers etc. and found them correct

Florence A. Holdsworth

T. BonnerChambers

6 May

The Attendance Officer called this morning.

14 May

The attendance officer called today.

17 May

This morning was wet and threatening to be very stormy which is

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- 21 May the reason for so many children being absent.
School closed this afternoon for
Whit Week Holiday. It will reopen
31 May 1915
Mrs. Holdsworth visited this week and
asked the children to put any money
they could spare into the Red Cross
Society Collecting Box each month.
She will call again on the 18th June.
The children brought four shillings and
four pence this morning as an Empire
Gift for the soldiers who are at the
front to purchase them some
comforts.
- 31 May Opened School this morning 69 children
present.
- 2 June The Attendance Officer called this morning.
3 June John Moore refused to answer to his
name this afternoon but was marked
present. His conduct is insubordinate
He does not hesitate to use bad language
in school and in the playground.

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- 7 June The Attendance Officer called this
morning. Mr. John R. Laphorn
7 Endsleigh Place
Kingsbridge
- 15 June This morning Haleyon Bennett came at
10 min to 10, this child seems to persist
in coming at any time she chooses
each morning. I therefore call the
attention of the Attendance Officer and
the Managers to this case.
- 16 June Mr. Channing the Attendance Officer called
this morning and I showed him the
entry re Haleyon Bennett. He says I
have to call the attention of Mr. J. R. Laphorn
to this child's lateness.
- 17 June The Attendance Officer called this afternoon
18 June Mrs. Holdsworth visited this afternoon
21 June The Attendance Officer called this afternoon.
The rain seems to have prevented
several children travelling to
school today.

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- 25 June The heavy rain has prevented many
children travelling to school this morning.
21 June The attendance officer informed me that

the Attendance Comtee at Kingsbridge state re
the attendance of Alex.r White Hallsands a child
over five years of age who has never attended
school yet that his case may stand over
till next spring

- 23 June The School Nurse visited this afternoon
- 28 June Victor Mitchelmore who has been
suffering with Ringworm came this
morning without a Medical Certificate
and was sent home for it.
- 30 June The Attendance Officer called this morning
7 June W. C. England Esq. H.M.I. visited this
afternoon
- 14 June This morning the Attendance Officer called.
I gave him Wm. Clarks Form 144(c)
& birth certificate & letter from his mother.
Received notice of Medical Inspection to
take place on the 22nd July from Dr. Baxendale
Sent Notice re. Holidays to A. M. Morley, W.C. England & Sec.
School to close 26 July to reopen 23 August 1915
- 17 July

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- 16 July This morning is excessively wet and only
one girl and fourteen boys are present
out of seventy seven.
The Register of attendance is not marked as
the meeting is abandoned.
This afternoon the attendance was abandoned
as only nine children came to school.
Registers not marked but the necessary
entry made in them.
- 19 July Sent Form M.1.2. to parents & retain the duplicate
of names
- 20 July Examined the older children today
- 21 July The Attendance Officer called this morning.
I gave him the Monthly Form 11 and the
Duplicate Registers to inspect.
I informed him that this school would
close on the 23rd July and reopen on
23rd August
- 22 July This morning was excessively wet.
Only four children arrived.
Registers not marked at 9.30 a.m.
This morning Dr. Baxendale inspected the
seven children who came to school by
1 o clock

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The attendance this morning was abandoned
as the work was disarrange owing to so
few children being present only seven
children out of seventy seven being

present.
 This afternoon only only six children attended and the attendance was abandoned

23 July School closed for Summer Holidays this afternoon to reopen 23 August 1915.

24 July Returned by post Dr. Baxendell's Blue Form which he left here by mistake or accident. Sent the list to Stokenham District Nurse as required by Dr. Baxendell
 Sent "Notice to Parents" to the mother of Sidney Crispin.

23 August School re-opened this morning after the Summer Holidays
 Received the Medical Cards from Dr. Baxendale.

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30 Aug 1915 Examined the Registers and found them correct
 Florence A. Holdsworth
 Manager
 T. Bonner-Chambers

1 Sep 1915 The Attendance Officer called and examined the Duplicate Attendance Register at 10.15 a.m.

6 Sep.r Received notice that the accommodation for this school is as follows:-

Mixed	70
Infants	<u>24</u>
Total	94

7 Sep. Victor Mitchelmore who has been suffering with Ringworm came to school this morning without the necessary medical certificate and was sent home to get it.

10 Sep. The Attendance Officer called

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inspected the Duplicate Register this morning.
 I pointed out to him that Victor Mitchelmore has come to school on the 7th Inst. without a Medical Certificate re his case of Ringworm and was sent home to bring it.

14 Sep. The Attendance Officer called this morning and took the Duplicate Attendance Register away.
 Reported Gladys Crocker & Louie Hyde left district

16 Sep.r Arthur Wright withdrawn by his father at
12.15
September 16th 1915 Visited H. Brandsley

17 Sep. Arthur Wright came in this afternoon
exactly at 2 pm too late to be
marked as the Registers were closed.

24 Sep.r The Attendance Officer called this
morning and left the Duplicate
Register.

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29 Sep. This morning Dr. Baxendale examined
the school children.

1 October The Attendance Officer called this morning
and examined the Duplicate Register

4 October I sent George Hutchings with his little
brother home as the smaller one
had an accident with himself &
his clothing.

5 October Examined the Registers and
found them correct
Florence A. Holdsworth
T. BonnerChambers

6 October The Attendance Officer examined the
Duplicate Register this morning. I
reported that Victor Mitchelmore was
still absent from School also
G. Stone B. Brooking & Mr. Lynn who
have been suffering with Ringworm.

13 Oct. The Attendance Officer called this noon
I reported that Mr. Mitchelmore states
Victor is better and the aunt of
Gladys Stone states Gladys is better

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18 Oct The Attendance Officer called this
morning and examined the Duplicate
Registers

20 Oct John Moore sent home this
afternoon to clean his clothes
as he seems to have had an
accident.

17 Oct The Attendance Officer called this morning.
I reported that Mrs. Trouts Hallsands
called to say that she would not
send Winnifred aged 5 years until
next spring.

5 Nov. The Attendance Officer called this
morning. Haleyon Bennett told
the Attendance Officer that her
mother is not going to send her sister
to school until the Spring but is

going to teach her herself. The child Cynthia Bennett is over five years of age.
8 Nov. Received a Medical Certificate from Dr. Todd to say Gladys Stone is now in his opinion free from Ringworm

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12 Nov. The attendance officer called this morning. I reported that Gladys Stone is now attending school and that four children over 5 years of age are not attending school viz. Winnie Trout, A. White Ceda Ford & Cynthia Bennett
18 Nov. Roy Smale & Ernest Smale admitted 16 2.5 p.m. too late to be marked present.
Ernest Smale asked during the afternoon to go to the offices but instead went home.
19. Nov. The following children over 5 years of age are not attending school.. I report their names to the Attendance Officer viz. Winifred Trout Cynthia Bennett Thos White. Ceda Ford
24 Nov. The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Register and asked if some children were present

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this week. I gave him the particulars desired. He informed me that Frank Foster and Marjorie Mitchel had left this school.
24 Nov. This dinner hour the following boys were disobedient in leaving the school yard without permission.
Ernest Moor, Ernest Steer, Cecil Stone Cecil Login. Humphrey Foss, Harry Patey Alfred Hutchings.
Mrs. Gillard complained to me last night of finding the towels very dirty and torn and a great deal of mud thrown on the doors.
Last week several boys went into a Turnip field and destroyed some turnips. I sent their names to the farmer.
26 Nov. This afternoon Hettie Steer, Gladys Steer and Haleyon Bennett came too late to be marked present in the Registers.
1 Dec. 42 children present this morning.

Very stormy night & wet morning.

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- 1 Dec.r The Attendance Officer called and inspected the Duplicate Register
- 1 Dec.r This afternoon W. Rogers and Stanley Crispin admitted. The arrived after the Registers were closed.
- 6 Dec.r The Attendance Officer called and examined the Duplicate Registers
Admitted one child 5 years of age from Hallsands.
- 9 Dec.r Thirty two children present out of seventy eight.
Very wet morning.
- 13 Dec.r The Attendance Officer called and examined the Duplicate Registers.
- 14 Dec.r James Moor and Philip Prettejohn on the way home this afternoon were swearing and appearing to fight.
- 20 Dec.r Received notice to say the school closes for Xmas Holidays on 23 Dec.r and reopens on 10 Jan 1916.

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- 22 Dec I have therefore sent Cards to H.M.I.
The Attendance Officer called this morning and reported that Ernest & Roy Smale have left this district.
- 23 Dec.r Examined Registers and found them correct
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T. Bonner Chambers
- 23 Dec.r Mrs. Holdsworth visited this morning and gave each of the 78 children on the Registers a new sixpence and an orange and William Rogers a silver watch and Jessie Prettejohn a silver pen. Each of the teachers also were presented with very nice and useful presents.
This afternoon only fifteen children came to school.
The weather is very stormy and wet. School not opened in

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10 Jan 1916 consequence.
School opened this morning
Sixty eight present
Arthur Wright came at 10.15 a.m.
too late to be marked present – the
Registers being closed.

11 Jan List of children over 5 years of age
who are not attending school.

11 January 1916

1. Ceda Ford, Kellaton
2. Mary Lynn, “
3. Ethel Stone, Hallsands
4. Winnie Trout, “
5. Alex.r White, “
6. Cynthia Bennett, “

A number absent from school.

	a.m.	p.m.
10 Jan 1916	9	8
11 “ “	13	13
12 “ “	11	11
13	11	12
14	12	13

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12 Jan The Attendance Officer called this
morning and inspected the Duplicate
Registers.
I gave him the list of children who
are not attending any school, see
page 455.
Sent a letter to B.N.O. Prettejohn Esq.
re. this and file copy of it.

17 Jan. Victor Mitchelmore brought a Medical
Certificate from Dr. Todd signed 15-1-16
to say he is now free from Ringworm
and is now in his opinion able to attend
school. His attendance is therefore
marked in the Register of Attendance
and admitted to school.

18 Jane Examined the Registers and found
them correct
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23 Jan The Attendance Officer called and
examined the Duplicate Registers

- and left the Certificate of Exemption of James Moor to be given to him on Friday.
- 24 Jan. Rev. W. E. Parry B.A. Vicar of Stokenham visited this afternoon.
- 25 Jan Gave James Moor the Certificate of Exemption.
- 4 Feb. The Attendance Officer visited this morning.
The children reported 11 Jan page 455 were again reported to him as none of them were attending any school.
James Moore was reported as not requiring the Exemption certificate at present.
- 14 Feb. The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Registers.
I reported that six children are not attending any school.

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- 24 Feb. There was a fall of snow this morning which is very unusual in these parts. Forty Two children present this morning. The teachers remained with the children during the Dinner hour to prevent them running about in the snow.
John Moore refuses to do his lessons. This is a boy nearly fourteen years of age. He is a twin and both he and his brother are exceedingly backward.
- 25 Feb. Only six children came to school this morning.
A heavy snow fell yesterday and during the night. In some places on the roads there was about ten or twelve inches of snow.
The Registers were not marked.
- 28 Feb. The Attendance Officer called and examined the Duplicate Register.
Victor Mitchelmore came after the Registers were marked.

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- March 17th Reported to the attendance officer that there are at least six children, who are over five years of age, & who are not attending any school.
Also Dulcie Lynn is kept at home every Friday and the attendance of Freda Clark is very irregular.

List of Irregular children given to the attendance officer

Jan 14	Jan 21	Jan 28	Feb 4	Feb 11	Feb 18	Feb 25	March 3	
Times absent								
0	1	1	5	1	7	2	5	Freda Clark
0	0	2	2	2	2	4	2	Dulsie Lynn
2	0	0	6	2	0	2	2	Edith Trout
0	4	2	6	6	0	6	2	Maud Trout
-	0	3	1	2	2	2	2	Victor Mitchelmore
0	4	0	1	1	1	2	4	Elliot Lynn
3	2	1	2	3	2	2	1	Laurence Lynn
6	1	0	0	2	0	2	2	Frank Steer
0	0	0	2	0	4	2	2	Wm. Rogers
2	0	2	2	0	0	2	4	Philip Steer
0	0	10	4	0	4	2	2	Reginald Foss
0	10	0	2	0	4	2	0	Ernest Moor
2	2	0	6	0	7	0	0	Mary Prettejohn

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- 14 March Nurse Neville visited this morning.
- 24 March The School Attendance Officer called this morning and inspected the Duplicate Registers.
Admitted Winnifred Trout.
- 5 April Inspected the Registers and found them correct
Signed:- Florence A. Holdsworth
T. Bonner Chambers
- 6 April School not opened this morning.
Religious Knowledge examination
Registers not marked in consequence
Rev. E. F. Hall (Inspector)
- 12 April Received notice from Mr. Honeywell to close the school on Wednesday the 19th April and open on the 1st May 1916
Sent notices to H.M. Inspector and J. F. Young Esq.

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- 19 April Closed School for the Easter Holiday
School to open 1st May 1916
- 1 May 1916 School opened this morning after the Easter Holiday.
- 2 May 1916 Mr. Philip Cole visited and signed the Registers.

4 May This morning only 5 boys and 3 girls came to school owing to colds and the heavy rain.
Registers not marked this morning
This afternoon the Registers were not marked only seven boys and three girls presented themselves.

10th May The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Attendance Register.

15 May Sent Forms M. 1.11 to Dr. Adkins Dr. Webb and B.N.O. Prettejohn
re. 1. Violet Prettejohn Hallsands
2. Frank Steer Beesands
3. Louis Steer Beesands

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as their mothers state they are suffering with "Whooping Cough."
Sent Form M. I.II to:-

16 May 1. B.N.O. Prettejohn Esq
2. Medical Officer of Health
3. Devon The School Medical Officer
re. 1. Wm. A. Gillard Beesands
2. Gladys Stone, Kellaton

17 May Sent Form M. i.ii to the above
re. Eric Stone, suffering with Whooping Cough as alleged by his mother

18 May Sent Forms M. I & II to the above
re 1. Samuel Arthur Hatherley
2. William Hatherley
3. John Crocker
suffering with Whooping Cough as alleged by their parents.

19 May Sent Forms M. I & II to the above
re:- 1. Laura Prettejohn
2. Dora Prettejohn
3. Jessie Prettejohn
Enquired re allowing children to come

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to school who have brothers or sisters at home with Whooping Cough.
Letter re this sent to Dr. Adkins

22 May The Attendance Officer called this morning and inspected the Duplicate Register.
He reported that Philip Prettejohn and Cecil Login have been

23 May granted Exemption Certificates.
Sent Form M. I.II
re. Doris Stone
2. Ethel Stone
3. Percy Trout
4. James Trout
5. Winnie Trout
6. Clarence Clark
7. Leslie Clark
8. John Brooking
9. Eveline Login
who are kept at home by
parents as having Whooping Cough.
Mrs. Bennett called to say
one of her children is suffering

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with Whooping Cough
Sent Form M. I.II to the
Medical Authority re. this case.
25 May Sent Forms M. I.II
re Mary Irene Trout re Whooping Cough.

26 May W. C. England Esq. H.M.I. visited
Only 26 children present this morning.

29 May Examined the Registers and
found them correct.

Signed:

Florence A. Holdsworth
T. Bonner Chambers

5 June Replied to Dr. Adkins re Whooping
Cough.

8 June Received notice from Dr.
Boxendell that his inspection
would be held on the
19th June in the afternoon.

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9 June Received from B.N.O. Prettejohn Esq.
a letter from the County Medical
Officer re. closing the school
on account of Whooping Cough.
To close from 8th June until 1 July
(inclusive)

9 June Sent Dr. Baxendell a notice to
say the school was closed
from 8th June to 1st July on
account of Whooping Cough.

9 June School closed until 1st July
by advice of Dr. Adkins on
account of Whooping Cough.

3 July School re-opened this morning.
3 Boys present and 4 Girls present.
Received a Medical certificate
from Dr. Todd to say Molly
Lynn is now free from Ringworm
and is in consequence able
to attend school.

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3 July Received a letter from Dr. Baxendale
to say he proposes to visit the
school at an early date after
the holidays for the Annual
Medical Inspection.
The Attendance Officer called
this morning and took a list
of children absent from school
and names of children who
have never been at school
who are over five years of age.

4 July Cases of Measles
Halcyon Bennett suffering
I excluded
George Bennett Brother
Henry " "
Cynthia " sister
Louisa, Mary and Winnifred Trout
and Wm. Trout as these children
say they have had Measles in
this house or at present some
who are suffering with Measles of
Whooping Cough.

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I sent the instructions re
Measles re exclusion to
their parents
Sent The Medical Forms to
Dr. Adkins. Dr. Webb & B.N.O. Prettejohn
re. the above alleged cases of Measles
5 July Received a letter from Mr. Trout
re. Louise, Mary, Winnie & Wm. Trout
to say he had cases of Measles
in the house but such occurred
over a month ago.

19 July Report on Religious Instruction
By Rev.d E. F. Hall on 6 April 1916

It was evident that special efforts are being
made to encourage individual thought &

expression & the response in each Group was most gratifying. A word of praise is due for the care taken in connection with the singing in each Group. The Infants were bright & communicative, and the Stories has been presented to them

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in an attractive manner.
The middle Group rendered a capital account of itself, the work being thoroughly well known & the response both keen and full. The work of the top group was somewhat uneven as regards the details of the Bible narrative, especially in the Old Testament. The Commandments were well known, & the teaching derived from them had been especially well applied & illustrated. The Repetition throughout was in all respects satisfactory.
It is hoped in the coming year to apply also to the Religious Instruction the methods of expression work which have proved very successful in the Secular Instruction."

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Received notice to close on 28th July 1916 for five weeks Summer Holiday.

26 July

The School Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Registers. Reported to him the case of Ceda Ford and her brother who have never been at school and that the attendance of many of the children require strictly enquiring into.

28 July 1916

School closed until the 4 Sep.r 1916 Midsummer Holidays.

4 Sep 1916

School opened this morning 65 children present. Mrs. Holdsworth visited this morning.

12 Sep.

The School Attendance Officer called this morning and inspected the Duplicate Registers.

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 27 Sep. School not opened this morning as only two girls and one boy came
 Last night there was a heavy thunder storm.
 Highest Temperature yesterday in school 70°
 Wet Thermometer 61° Dry Thermometer 61° this morning.

27 Sep. This afternoon only four boys and five girls came to school.
 Registers not marked in consequence of the attendance being below 40% and according to the County Council direction page of their Rules.

28 Sep. Returned Sewing Book to Mr. B.N.O. Prettejohn
 Sixty five children present at School this morning.

3rd Oct Examined Registers & found correct
 Signed: Florence A. Holdsworth

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 13 October The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Registers.

17 October The weather was very wet all day only 46 were present this afternoon.
 Dr. Baxendell will be here on the a.m. Tuesday 24th October as his last visit was prevented by his motor cycle not acting.

24th October Dr. Baxendell visited and inspected the school children this morning.
 Alex. White sent home as he was suffering so much with Pests in his head. By the orders of the Dr.

25 Oct. Attendance Officer called this morning an examined the Duplicate Registers

27 Oct Only 24 present owing to the very stormy weather.

1 Nov. This morning only 12 children came to school owing to the severe rain, thunder and lightening
 As it was looking very threatening and no more that 12 children

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 3rd Nov. came this afternoon the Registers were not marked.
 Owing to the violent weather the children were not able to travel.

10th Nov. Strong winds and heavy rains
Registers not marked.
The Attendance Officer called and examined the Duplicate Attendance Registers

17th Nov. This morning only 41 children present. The heavy seas at Hallsands have shut off the children passing to school.

28th Nov. The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Registers. I reported that Cecil Stone was working for Mr. Widger and that Laurence Lynn was often kept from school by his grandfather.
Received notice to close the school on the 22nd Dec.r at noon and reopen on 8 Jan 1917.

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21 Dec.r

Only nine children came to school owing to the rough weather.
Thermometer down to 28.7°
Registers not marked in consequence.
Registers not marked this afternoon
Reopened after Xmas vacation.

21 Dec.r The Attendance Officer called this morning and reported
8 January Freda Pound is exempt until
15th Jan. the spring and that Laurence Lynn is also totally exempt.

24 Jan The Nurse called this morning.
Many children are absent from Hallsand through the High Tide & waves.

26th Jan Seventeen children only present this morning
Fine dry weather for travelling – only an East Wind blowing.

29th Jan. Only 23 children present this morning.
Many absent through the rough sea at Hallsands destroying the very old houses at Hallsands. Some of the people

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losing furniture, clothing etc. The roofs and parts of the houses being washed away
Some parts of the roads the children have to travel are covered with water and are impassable.

1 Feb. The Attendance Officer called this morning and examined the Duplicate Registers.

- 9 Feb. Examined Registers and found them correct.
Signed
Florence A. Holdsworth
T. Bonner Chambers
- 12 Feb. This morning I sent Fred Stone home in the care of his sister Lena as he was apparently ill and had been complaining to Miss Burgain. He said he had a pain in his inside or side.
- 15 Feb. Attendance Officer examined the Duplicate Register. I reported that I had sent home Fred Stone unwell

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- 15 Feb I sent notices to the Medical Officers Dr. Webb & Dr. Adkins and B.N.O. Prettejohn re Fred Stone.
- 20 Feb. Harold Trout withdrawn this morning by his mother. Attendance cancelled.
- 9 Feb 1917 Mrs. Holdsworth visited and checked the Registers this afternoon & signed the visitor's Book.
- 26 Feb. 1917 Admitted one boy this morning.
- 9 March This morning three girls and one boy came to school. During the night a fall of snow. This morning was wet with sleet falling about school time. Registers not marked in consequence. Barometer 19.3 Dry Therm 42 Wet 42 Highest 58 Lowest 40
- 9 March Registers not marked on account of the storm
- 12 March A very heavy Thunder storm on Sunday night. Lightning very blue & vivid. Rain very heavy.

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Copy of Letter to Mr. Stone 16 Feb 1917.

Dear Sir

I have sent your son Fred Stone home as he is not in my opinion fit to attend school and I shall be glad for you to obtain a Doctor's certificate to say whether he is or is not fit to attend school

Yours respectfully

T. Bonner Chambers

Mr. Stone
Hallsands

16 Feb 1917 This boy was crying saying he was very ill. His face was quite purple and he could hardly breathe. He complained of a pain in his chest I also sent the Forms to the Correspondent and Dr. Webb & Dr. Adkins.

22 March This morning Mrs. Bonner Chambers absent through a severe chill with a very sore throat & gums much swollen & bursting.

23 march Mrs. Bonner Chambers came to school

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2nd April this morning.
Snow fell during the night and today.
3rd April The ground covered with snow.
e made fires in the stoves
the room quite nice and warm.

