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Mar 5th

Ada Harding sent home again this morning as she was not clean enough to be amongst the other children. Hermin was still about her outer garments, and head.

12th

Examined the Registers & found them correct.

Henry J. King

Chairman of the School Bd.

15th

Mixed Dept. Average 60.8; percentage 86.8

Infants' " " "

21st

Punished Arthur Norris for smoking on school premises this dinner-hour, and for giving Bertie Griffith a try in the Infants' room a cigarette to smoke. Showed the whole school where A. Norris had missed his opportunity for doing good.

22nd

Mixed Dept. Average 56.5; percentage 74.3.

Infants' " " 26.3; " 64.1.

25th

A very poor attendance to-day on account of a snowstorm.

26.

An improvement in the attendance this morning.

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Mixed Dept. Average 53.7; percentage 78.9.

Infants' " " 31. " 75.6.

Apr. 1st

Unable to open school this morning, as I was obliged to go to Swanton. Mr. Longley took charge.

of the Mixed Depart^t and Miss Winchcombe
the Infants'. Pleased to find on my return at 9.30
work was proceeding satisfactorily.

The attendance was poor owing to Swindon Fair.

April 2nd Informed the members of the Board that
my daughter was suffering from a serious
attack of diphtheria. The doctor advised
her removal to the hospital without delay.

3rd The school was ordered to be closed by
Medical Authority until further notice.

18th School re-opened this morning after being
thoroughly disinfected. The attendance was
very poor indeed.

22nd The school was ordered to be again closed
by the Medical Officer of Health, as my youngest
child had taken diphtheria.

May 21st School reopened to-day by Medical Authority.
The attendance was poor, probably owing to the
fact that many children in the outlying districts
were unaware of the opening. The notice was
a very short one. Admitted four new scholars to-day.

24th Mixed room, Average 41.7; percentage 59.4.

2nd June 1900 Visited the School this afternoon - Art 82 (6)

The attention of the Board is directed to the

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recommendations of the Marine Officer of Health (which have only been partially carried out) and (ii) to the last report of the H. M. Inspector. The condition of the infants' room is still filthy, and the stools still remain. It is by no means impossible, in fact, that the late sickness may be traced to the neglect of cleanliness, for which the Board alone can be held responsible.

A fire guard should be provided for the stove in the infants' room.

C. W. M. Williams.

H. M. Inspector W. Bond Esq., was also present at this visit of inspection.

June 7th The attendance has been very good this week.
Mixed room. Average 62.5; percentage 91.9
Infants .. " 40.9; " 80.1.

The work of the school is making fairly good progress, although the reading in Stand III is weak.

" 14th Mixed room. Average 59.6; percentage 88.9
Infants .. " 41.2; " 79.2

" 18th Archie Keat was punished for stone-throwing.

" 21st Mixed Depart. Average 59.9; percentage 88.
Infants .. " 46.1; " 85.3

The attendance shows a great improvement in the infants' room.

June 24th Walter Painter makes no improvement in his attendance. John Gunter, Eliz. Whipp, Edith Smith, and Louis Marshall are irregular in their attendance at school.

26 I have this day Examined the Registers & found them correct, W. Winchcomb,

Clerk.

" 28th The attendance is not quite so good this week probably owing to the haymaking.

Mixed Depart: Average 55.9; percentage 82.2

Infants' " " 44.6; " 81.

July 1st Commenced the New School year to-day. Fifteen children have been transferred from the Infants' Department. six boys and nine girls. All scholars in Mixed room have been promoted to a higher class with the exception of new ones who were promoted on their admission to school.

July 5th Mixed Depart: Average 72.6; percentage 90.7.

Infants' " " 26.7; " 68.4

" 12th This year a course of Lessons in Domestic Economy will be given so far as is applicable to the boys and girls of the upper division of the school. This is intended to supplement the object lessons.

12th Mixed Depart: Average 63.9; percentage 79.8

Infants' " " 24.1; " 61.7

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- July 12th The attendance in the infants is very thin. More than half of the children are suffering from whooping cough.
- 19th The regular children are making nice progress in their new work.
Mixed Department. Average 64.6; percentage 85%.
Infants' " " 22.6; " 57.9
- 22nd Many children are away on account of the hay-making.
- 26th Mixed room. Average 62.3; percentage 80.9
Infants' " " 20.7; " 51.7
There are forty infants on the registers and only nineteen are in attendance. Whooping cough is the chief cause of the poor attendance.
- Aug 2nd Mixed room. Average 60.8; percentage 80.
Infants' " " 21.2; " 53.
- 5th The revival of 'Sports and Pastimes' of the village necessitated the closing of the school for the Bank Holiday.
- 8th Sunday School outing. Attendance very thin.
- 9th Mixed Depart. Average 51.2; percentage 67.4
Infants' " " 13.1; " 32.8
The school closed for the Summer Holiday to-day.

6.8.1901
Report

Copy of H. M. Inspector's Report. (1900-1901)
Mixed School. "The children are in good order. They have received careful instruction and have made commendable progress during the year.

The school premises are in an unsatisfactory condition. The roof, beams, walls and window-frames in both rooms should, at the earliest possible opportunity, be thoroughly cleaned, and either distempered or otherwise suitably treated. The cleaning of the school should, in the future, be more regular and more thorough.

Infant class. "The infants are being taught with great care and kindness and are making good progress." An iron fire guard should be provided for the stove in the infant room."

The Board of Education will expect to be informed as to the cleaning of the school. Attention was called last year to the filthy condition of the roof of the infant room; but this had not been attended to when H. M. Inspector

6. 8. 1901. visited the school, and the offices were also in an unsatisfactory condition. Having regard to the recent outbreak of diphtheria the Board will require a Certificate from the Medical Officer of Health that the school has been thoroughly disinfected and clean and that the offices are in a proper condition and they will also require an assurance from the School Board that the latter will be flushed every day. Otherwise they may find it necessary to withhold the grant under Article 85(a) of the Code.

S. J. Winchcomb is continued under Art. 68.
W. Winchcomb, Clerk

Staff Herbert Brighton. Certificated Master

S. J. Wrigley. " Mistress

S. J. Winchcomb. (Art. 68.) /

Sep. 16th 01 Reopened school after Summer Holidays.
 " 17th " A wet day. The attendance very moderate.
 " 18th " William Butcher was punished this afternoon for openly displaying disobedience.
 " 20th " Mixed Depart. Average 65.5; percentage 82.9
 " " Infants' " 24.6 " 58.

- Sep 23rd. The attendance is poor today. The attractions of Swindon Fair are the cause.
- There are 117 children on the registers.
77 in Mixed-room and 40 in the Infants'.
- 25th. The work of the classes in Arithmetic is making nice progress.
Mixed Room Av. 65.8; percentage 85.4
Infants' " 28.2; " 70.
- Oct. 4th. Only 36 children ~~are~~ on the Infants' Register.
9th. Mentioned several who were late this afternoon.
Mixed Room. Average 65.; percentage 85.5
Infants' " 30; " 84.1
- Oct. 15. A splendid attendance this morning, only two absent in the Mixed Department.
- " 16th. Sewing will be taken on Wednesday afternoons for the future instead of Friday. The poor attendance on the latter afternoon necessitates the change.
- 17th. A Tea was given to the scholars and their mothers by M^{rs} Hinton of Swindon. The rooms were needed to make proper preparation for it. A half holiday was allowed by the Board. The tea was given to celebrate the opening of the New Roads.

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Oct 18th

A wet day. The attendance was poor in consequence.

Mixed Room. Average 67.6; percentage 85.7.

Infants' " " 31.1; " " 84.

" 25th

Nice progress has been made by scholars this month.

Mixed Depart. Average 69.0; percentage 87.3

Infants' " " 30.6; " " 82.7.

The attendance was not so good this week.

Nov. 1st

Mixed Depart. Average 62.8; percentage 85.7.

Infants' " " 28.3; " " 80.8

Nov 8th

Visited this school examined registers & found same correct

Wm. Hinder

" 8th

Mixed Room. Average 64.3; percentage 85.7

Infants' " " 27.5; " " 78.5

The Board's attention has been drawn to the bad attendance of Edith Smith & Maud Titcombe.

" 15th

Mixed Room. Average 66.9; percentage 89.2

" " 28.9; " " 82.5

" 18

Miss Winchcombe was away from school to-day.

She was suffering from a bad cold.

" 19th

Miss Winchcombe is absent from duty to-day.

" 27th

Mixed Depart. Average 67.3; percentage 90.9

Infants' " " 29.6; " " 84.5

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Nov 20th Visited the school this afternoon. The boys offices are in a most offensive condition. If the water supply cannot be depended upon some other system should be adopted.

H. W. Household.

Nov 21st Visit of Inspection (84)
W Bond.

Dec. 2 Visited the school & examined Registers, found them correct. Herbert Ditcomb came into school at 10-11 a.m. & stated that Mr King told him to stop to the service at the Church.

J. D. Hinton

Chairman of the Board

Dec. 6th Mixed Dept. average 65.6; percentage 88.6
Infants' 29.4; 81.6

Walter Painter has not been to school since Nov. 28th

12th

A very rough snowy morning only 29 children in the Mixed room present, and 6 in the infants' room. Mr. Wrigley is absent from duty probably on account of the bad weather.

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Dec. 13th

The average attendance is considerably reduced by the bad weather of Thursday and Friday.
Mixed Room, Average 53.1; Percentage 71.7.

Infants' " " 20.9; " 58.0.

" 16th + poor attendance this morning probably owing to the Fat Lamb sale at Swindon market.

" 20th Mixed Room, Average 56.4; Percentage 76.2.

Infants' " " 21.6; " 60.0.

School closed to-day for Christmas Holidays.

" 30th Re-opened school this morning with only a moderate attendance.

" 31st Mixed Room, Average 56.0; Percentage 75.6.

Infants' " " 23.5; " 62.2.

Jan. 1st 1902 } Only a moderate attendance this afternoon, owing to a Xmas Tree & Tea at Lower Warborough.

" 3rd Mixed Room, Average 59.5; Percentage 80.4.

Infants' " " 23.5; " 65.

" 9th } Obligated to keep to the house nearly the whole day as I was suffering from a bad throat and severe cold.

" 10th I resumed my duties as usual this afternoon.

Mixed Room, Average 64.8; Percentage 86.4.

Infants' "

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Jan 2nd Mr Levi Inster a member of the School Board visited the school and recommended bolts to be put on the cupboard, and the door leading to the Boys' Playground.

" 15th Nice progress is being made in arithmetic and writing throughout the school. The Reading in Standard 3 is rather weak.

" 17th Mixed Room. Average 62.6; percentage 83.4;
Infants' " " 23.8; " 68.7;

" 24th Mixed Room. Average 67.0; percentage 89.3.
Infants " " 26.7; " 76.2.

" 28th I observed that Emily Harding's head and clothes were in a filthy condition. She was sent home to be cleansed.

No. of scholars on Registers
There are now 111 children on the Registers. 76 in the Mixed Department and 35 in the Infants'

" 31st Mixed Room. Average 61.3; percentage 80.6;
Infants' " " 22.7; " 64.8;

Feb. 3rd The attendance has been very poor to-day owing to the very bad weather. Only ^{boys} seventeen and ~~the~~ sixteen girls present in the Mixed room, and seven infants in the Infants' Depart^t

" 6th Much of the absence lately is due to the prevalence of bad colds, + bad feet (broken chilblains)

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Feb. 7th among the children. The average attendance is not so high this week in consequence.

Mixed room. Average 54.9; Percentage 72.2.

Infants' " " 13.4; " 38.2

" 14th There is a slight improvement in the attendance this week.

Mixed Room Average 59.5; Percentage 78.2

Infants' " " 18.3; " 52.2

" 21st The promise of a good average this week was not maintained. The cold weather still prevented several from attending during the middle and end of the week.

Mixed Room Average 60.5; Percentage 79.6

Infants' " " 20.6; " 58.8

" 24th Only a very poor attendance on account of the wet.

" 27th Only a very poor school to-day on account of the heavy rains. Miss Winchcombe is suffering from the effects of a bad cold. I advised her to rest at home to-day.

" 28th Miss Winchcombe returned to her school duties this morning feeling a little better.

The regular children in the Fourth Standard are making very satisfactory progress in their work especially in Composition and Arithmetic.

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February
28th Mixed room. Average 56.9; percentage 74.8
Infants' 21.5; 61.4

March. 6 The usual Domestic Economy lesson was given to First Class this afternoon. Fresh forming foods were especially considered.

7th Mixed room. Average 63.6; percentage 83.6
Infants 28.9; 80.2.

There is no doubt the favourable weather has contributed to the improved attendance in both departments. The infants showing an increase of 7 in average attendance. There are now 112 scholars on Registers -

On the approach of brighter mornings and better roads children, coming late in future, and failing to bring a written explanation from their parents, will be sent home for one.

10th A very poor attendance to-day. Several children have gone to Swindon market.

11th A better attendance this morning. Cautioned children again about late-coming.

12 All the windows late again. Alfred sent home for a note explaining the reason of their very frequent lateness. The boy returned with a message, saying his mother wasn't going to

Mar. 12th write a note as she had no time for that. Discovering that Mrs. Winslow had again sent up her little baby (contrary to my warning that she could not do so without permission) I sent all the children home until an explanation was forthcoming.

Mr. Winslow subsequently came to the school, evidently with a view of making a fuss, but as he had no explanation, either verbally & written, to make with regard to the children's unpunctuality I was not disposed to engage in any argument. The matter then dropped.

14th Mixed Room. Average 62.6; percentage 84.5
 Infants' " " 27.1; " " 75.2.

I desire to draw the Board's attention to the effort made to secure the punctuality of the children and also to point out that the bringing up of the children to form the habit of punctuality is required by the Code (Mt. 101.d) A very wet morning and only a moderate attendance.

20th
 21st Mixed Room. Average 57.9; percentage 78.2
 Infants' " " 23.2; " " 62.7.

The poor attendance is due to many children suffering from bad colds and sore throats.

- March 24th Another wet day. Only 43 scholars present out of a possible 74. The attendance in the infants' room is rather worse:
- 26th Punished Thomas Guater for roughly and improperly playing with two girls in the dinner hour.
- 27th The school was closed to-day for the Easter - Holiday. (One-week)
- I'm pleased to report that the Winslows have been punctual since my complaint.
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| Mixed room. | Average 47.5 | percentage 64.2 |
| Infants' .. | 20.4 | 55.2 |
- April 7th School reopened after Easter holidays with a moderately good attendance.
- 11th The usual Domestic Economy Lesson, the Drill and the Singing were omitted this week as I had apparently lost my natural voice from the effects of a bad cold.
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| Mixed Room. | Average 59.7 | percentage 81.7 |
| Infants .. | 32.3 | 82.8 |
- 15th A very wet morning. Only half children present in Mixed room, and six in the Infants' room.
- 16th A bright morning - children come up well

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March 14¹⁹⁰²

Visited the school & tested the Registers finding them correct. The piping of the stove is very defective filling the room with coal smoke wh. is very injurious to health. I have given Master instructions to see to this at once - I suggest that a standing order be given him to attend to the clearing of these pipes once a month during winter, & that the Master be asked to certify to the Board that this has been properly done. I consider this requires immediate attention as the atmosphere of the room struck me this morning as particularly unwholesome.

Henry J. King

April 12th

Mixed Room. Average. 57.4 ; percentage 78.6
 Infants " " 31.5 ; " 45.0
 The examinations of the children as far as I am able to conduct them without unnecessary loss of time reveal a sound steady progress. The children need to be a little more accurate in working the arithmetic, and more problematic teaching is necessary.

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A very wet morning, and only a moderate attendance.
 Mixed Room. Average. 58.6 ; percentage 81.3
 Infants " " 31.2 ; " 45.5

- May 2nd Average 58; percentage 84. (Mixed Room)
 " 33.8; " 78.6 (Infants)
- " 9th Mixed Depart. Average 61.2; percentage 90%
 Infants " 37.8; " 84%.
- " 15th A very wet day. The attendance is only moderate
 in consequence.
- " 16th The School was closed to-day for the
 Whitsuntide Holiday (one week).
- " 26th School re-opened to-day with a moderate
 attendance only. Absent children are suffering
 from chicken-pox, which seems to be prevalent
 in the village just now.
- May 28th On the whole the work set for examination
 was not quite so good as it was before the
 holiday. The spelling showed a little more
 weakness.
- " 30th Mixed Depart. Average 60.2; percentage 89.8.
 Infants " " 33.3; " 70.8.
- June 4th The children that were examined this week
 produced some very satisfactory work. The
 problematic work of the 3rd Stand, showed a little
 weakness.
- " 6th A half holiday and a tea were given to the
 children by Mr Fred Hinton Chairman of the Board
 in honour of the declaration of Peace in S. Africa.

June 6 I have this day examined the Registers
& found them correct.

W. Winchcomb, Clerk

6th Mixed Depart. Average 56.1; percentage 83.7
 Infants' " " 38.5; " 82.0

13 Visit of Inspection.

W. D. Jones

H. M. Inspector S. Norris Esq., was also present at this visit of inspection. There were only three scholars absent this morning. The following pupils were examined for Labour Certificates, viz, Thomas Moran, Joseph Marshall, John Gunter, Walter Winslow and Harold Winslow for a Total Exemption Certificate.

Mixed Depart. Average 60.6; percentage 90.4
 Infants' " " 41.3; " 87.5

June 20th A very wet day. The attendance was poor in consequence, and the average for the week will suffer.

Mixed Room. Average 56.8; percentage 88.5
 Infants' " " 29.5; " 61.4

25th The school was closed this afternoon for the remainder of the week (Thursday & Friday) in honour of the Coronation.

June 23rd. The attendance was very poor for the ^{first} three first days. Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, and the average will be very low indeed.

25th Mixed Depart. Average 55.0; percentage 80.8
 Infants' " " 35.6; " " 74.3.

30th With to-day the school year closes, and I reminded the children of the need of more regularity in their attendance.

I am pleased to report that the whole of the children will be promoted to higher classes.

July 1st. Six boys and six girls are transferred from the Infants' Department this morning to Standard 1 of the Lower Division of the School. The year commences with 112 scholars. This includes 78 in the Mixed room and 34 in the Infants' room.

July 4th Mixed Depart. Average 70.1; percentage 90%.
 Infants' " " 28.0; " " 82.3.

" 9th Standard 3 have made nice progress with their new work. They were allowed to handle the actual coins in making their calculations. The same plan was adopted last year and proved to be most interesting as well as instructive.

1: Mixed room. Average 66.9; percentage 85.7
 Infants' " " 29.7; " " 87.3.

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July 18th Mixed Depart^t. Average 61.3; percentage 78.5
Infants' " " 29.2; " " 83.4

" The hay-making is responsible for the poor attendance especially with regard to the boys

25th The attendance shows a nice improvement this week, the average for the boys being 65.3, and the percentage was 83.7. The average for the infants is 31.4; and the percentage being 87.2

Aug 1st Mixed Depart^t. Average 63.1; percentage 80.8
Infants' " " 27.8; " " 77.2

" 4th To-day being Bank Holiday there was no school

8 I have this day examined the Registers & found them correct.

W Winchcomb, Clerk

8th Physical Exercises will be taken on Thursday afternoon

" 8th The school closed to day for the Summer Holiday (6 wks)

Sep. 22nd School re-opened this morning with only a moderately fair attendance. The absentees are probably gone to Swindon Fair.

" 23rd A better attendance this morning.

" 26th Mixed Depart^t. Average 62.2; percentage 81.8
Infants' " " 31.7; " " 88.

Not yet received a supply of apparatus & etc before school

July 29th. Copy of H. M. Inspector's Report for 1902.

Mixed School. "The teachers are diligent and as a rule, creditable progress has been made; the handwriting in particular being well taught and the written exercises generally neatly done. The stove appears to act imperfectly; clear glass should be used instead of ground glass when the windows are repaired, and the floors should be washed at least once each quarter. The registers were not tested by the School Board during the first quarter of the year."

Infants' School. The children seem interested in their work and they are taught with conscientious care. Scholars from the Mixed Department should not be employed as monitors; but a permanent and more capable teacher should be ^{appointed} (Employed) to assist the Mistress."

H. M. Inspector's remarks on the premises should receive careful attention.

Sums received under the Agricultural Rates Act

must not be entered in the Balance Sheet (F) as they are contributions towards the general expenses of the School Board and not towards the maintenance of any particular school. I am to request that this direction may be complied with in future.

W. Winchcomb,

Clerk to the Board

Staff. Herbert Brighton. Certificated Master
S. J. Wrigley " Mistress
S. J. Winchcomb (Art 68)

Oct 3rd

The following children are very irregular in their attendance viz. Mary Smith, Edith Smith, Archie Kent, Harry Keen, Thomas Moran, John Gunter, and John Gosling.

Monday and Tuesday's attendance are reckoned with the first quarter in the Summary Mixed Dept. Average: 62.6; percentage 82.3

Infants: " " 32.2; " " 87.

6th

Received a supply of New Reading Books from the Clerk (Mr. Winchcomb); another supply of books and stationery are expected shortly.

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Oct. 9. Visit of Inspection for Drawing
W. H. Johnson.

" 10th - Mixed Room. Average. 61.5 ; percentage 82.
Infants' " " 31.6 ; " " 85.4.

" 14 The dead-nettle (white) was brought by children to school for observation and a piece of composition was written about it.

" 17th The nice weather has contributed to a very fair attendance this week.

Mixed Room. Average 60.7 ; percentage 83.1
Infants' " " 31.3 ; " " 84.5

" 21st In my survey of the school work I am pleased to report satisfactory evidence of nice progress being made.

" 24th Mixed Room. Average 65.2 ; percentage 85.7
Infants' " " 29.3 ; " " 79.1

" 28th The Physical exercises, ^{learnt} from the Model Course are being nicely carried out. The younger children are beginning to show more steadiness in the execution of the exercises.

" 31st Mixed Room. Average 65.1 ; percentage 85.6
Infants' " " 32.2 ; " " 87.

There has been a marked improvement in the attendance of the infants this week.

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Nov. 3rd I am unable to take those lessons that need the continuous use of the voice, as I am suffering from a severe attack of hoarseness & sore throat.

Nov 6 I have this day examined the Registers & found them correct.

W. Winchcomb

7th Drill will be taken on Thursday Afternoon
Miss Winchcomb is unable to be at school this morning as she is suffering from a sore throat.

Mixed Depart. Average 66.6; percentage 88.8
Infants' " " 30.3; " 81.8

10th Miss Winchcomb resumed her school duties this morning. A lesson on garden in Autumn given.

13th A very good attendance this morning. 106 present out of a possible 112.
The G.C.H. rules taught the children in the Fifth Standard by using shells.

14th Mixed Department Average 68.1 percentage 90.8
Infants' " " 23.3 " 90.0

19th The attendance in infants' room is not quite so good this week owing to many suffering from coughs & colds.

21st Commenced to teach the children of stand III

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- Nov 21st simple long division this week.
 Mixed Room Average 70.9; percentage 92.
 Infants " " 29.7; " 80.2.
- 24th The majority of children in Mixed Department seems to be suffering from bad colds and coughs.
- 25th A very poor attendance to-day owing to the wet.
- 27th Standard III is making very fair progress in their Arithmetic.
- 28th A very wet morning. only twenty scholars are present this morning out of a possible seventy-seven in Mixed room, and seven infants' out of a possible thirty-seven. The average is therefore considerably reduced this week by these two bad days.
- 28th Mixed Room. Average 53.4; percentage 69.8
 (on reg. 77)
 Infants " 37. " 20.9; " 56.4.
- Dec. 3rd A dark and most depressing afternoon. The usual Drawing Lesson was not taken. Spelling substituted.
- 4th The weather being very cold + frosty several children were late. The Winslows make a practice of being late again. The excuse is that their mother keeps them and sends them on errands.

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Dec 4th. Commenced to give Standard 5 a lesson on fractions. Made use of folded paper to illustrate the different sized pieces.

" 5 Mixed Room. Average 64.2 (77 on Reg); percentage 84.6
" " Infants 22.5 (37 on Reg); " 61

9th Visited this School examined papers & found them correct

Wm. Hinder

" 12th Standard 5 has made very nice progress with their work this week. The Specimen Handwriting Lesson was taken this afternoon instead of Wednesday on account of the bad light.

The poor attendance in Infants' Room is due to the large number of them absent on account of sickness coughs and bad colds particularly.

Mixed Room (Reg 76.) Average 64.3; percentage 84.6

Infant " (" 37) " 20.2; " 57

" 15th Leave was given to Miss Winchcomb to remain at home this afternoon as she is suffering from a bad cold.

" 16th Miss Winchcomb is still away from school as her cold is no better. As the whole work depends on me, some slight modifications in the ordinary work will have to be made.

Dec. 22

" 18th Miss Wrenchcomb resumed her duties this morning, and Mrs Wrigley was obliged to remain at home as she is suffering from the effects of a bad cold.

" 19th Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Average 56.4; percentage 76.2
 Infant " " 37; " 21. " " = 56.7.

" " Mrs Wrigley resumed her school duties this morning.

" 23rd The attendance was wretched this morning probably owing to a meet of the F.W.H. Grounds. School closed to-day for the Christmas holidays.

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Jan 5th

School reopened after Xmas holidays with a very poor attendance. only 34 in Mixed room and 11 in infant room present out of a possible 110. This very poor attendance is probably owing to the impassable state of the roads in the lower parts of the village.

" 9th Mixed Room. Reg. 73. Average 54.2; percentage 74.3.
 Infant " " 32 " 20.6; " " 64.3.

" 11th Two large panes of glass were broken in the infant room last night (Tuesday) by some one at present unknown.

" 16th Mixed Room. Reg 73; Average 61.0; percentage 83.5
 Infant " " 32; " 29.7; " " 74.

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" 21st

Standards I + II are making satisfactory progress in arithmetic, but the irregular scholars in the latter are still weak in spelling.

" 23rd

Mixed Room. Reg 73; Average 59.0; percentage 80.
Infant " " 33; " " " "

Notes have been received from the parents of Edward Plumb, Willie Baxter, + Anne Grubb stating the cause of absence of their children is due to illness.

Mixed Room. Reg. 73; Average 58.4; percentage
Infant " " 33; " 29.2; " " 80

Feb. 2nd

Portion of window on the south side of Mixed Room blown in during gale on Saturday night.

" 4th

A ton of Coal deposited in girls' playground.

Feb: 11th

Visit of Inspection (An 84)
W Bond.

Mr. W. H. Holman was also present at visit of Inspection.

" 13th

Mixed Room - Reg 73. aver. 64.2; percentage 87
Infant " " 31; " 30.1; " " 88

" 16th

A Ton of Coke deposited ~~for~~ in girls' playground.

" 20th

Standard 4. has been making satisfactory progress in arithmetic and spelling in the Mixed Room. Reg. 73; aver. 62.9; percentage 86.1
Infants " 35; " 29.5; " 84.2.

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" 23rd. A very wet morning. The attendance is therefore very poor.

" 27th. Special attention has been given to problematic work in Standard ~~III~~ this week. Some satisfactory work has been done by most of the children.

" " The writing is improving in Stands I+II.

" 27th. A fire-guard has been provided for the stove in the Mixed room to-day.

The attention of the Board is directed to the bad attendance of Edith Smith and Annie Grubb. Mixed Room. Reg. 72. Aver. 61.5; percentage 84.2
Infant " " 35 " 26.1; " 74.5.

March 2nd. A very wet morning. Only 27 in Mixed-room, and 8 children in Infant room were present out of a possible 108.

" 5th. The average attendance has this week been considerably reduced owing to the wet.

" 6th. Mixed Room. (Reg 73). Aver. 56.5; percentage 77.3.
Infant " " 35; " 23.9; " 68.2.

" 13th. A better attendance has been made this week, and steady progress in all stands has also been very satisfactory.

Mixed room. Reg 74; Aver. 64.0; percentage 86.4
Infant " " 35; " 26.9; " 76.8.

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- Jan. 20th Mixed Room. (Reg 73.) Average 62.1; percentage 85.0
 Infant . . . 33; " 27.5; " 83.8.
- " 24 The attendance was only moderate this afternoon owing to the meet of the Hounds in the village.
- " 25. I was unable to attend to my school duties this afternoon owing to indisposition
- " 27th The prevalence of wet has considerably reduced the average attendance this week.
- Mixed Room. Reg. 73. Aver. 57.3; percentage 78.4
 Infant " . . . 33; " 24.6; " 74.5
- 31 I have this day examined the Registers & found them correct,
 W. Winchcomb, Clerk.
- April. 3rd Mixed Room (Reg 73.) Aver. 58.3; percentage 79.
 Infant . . . 39. " 29. " 87.
- " 7th Stands 3 & 4 are making more satisfactory progress with regard to problematic work in arithmetic and spelling is also making very fair progress in the 4th.
- " 8th The school broke up for the Easter holiday this afternoon.
- Mixed room. (Reg 73), Aver. 57.1; percentage 78.3
 Infant . . . 32 . . . 29.6; " 92.1
- " 20th School re-opened after Easter holiday with only a moderate attendance

1903.

April 24th Mixed Room. (Reg 73.) Aver 59.1; percentage 80.9
 Infant " (. 33); " 30.4; " 92.1

30th A very poor attendance to-day owing to the wet.

May 1st only received from Clerk this morning the official Copy of Board of Education Illustrations & notes on Primary Drawing wh evidently ought to have been handed over to me long ago for my guidance in that subject.

Mixed Room. (Reg. 71.) Aver. 56.1; percentage 79.7%
 Infant " (. 33.) . 21.8; " 66.7.

6th No Drawing taken in upper Classes this afternoon as children were wet from the heavy rain on coming to school.

The examinations held this week by me showed that children had grasped the principles of their work although slight errors in calculations were visible in all stands.

The composition was especially well done, but a weakness in spelling is evident with the irregular children. Reading is on the whole good.

8th Mixed Room. (Reg 71), Aver. 52.1; percentage 73.3
 Infant " " 34 " 22.0; " 64.7.

Coughs & colds are very prevalent among the children of both departments. These & the wet account for the very poor attendance at school.

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May 11th

A very poor attendance to day on account of the wet.

Standards 1 and 2 were allowed to draw from a simple ^{leaf} after some observation had been noted by the children, and a little instruction from me.

15th Mixed Room. (Reg 71:) Aver. 58.1; percentage 81.

Infant " 34; " 29.9; " 87.4

19th The better state of the weather has already been the means of improving the attendance.

" 21 Visit of Inspection (Friday)
W Ford

Mr. W. H. Holman was present at this visit of inspection.

22nd Miss Winchcomb, not feeling very well ^{this morning} fast sick and was absent during the rest of the day.

Mixed Room. (Reg 71:) Aver. 62.4; percentage 87.

Infant " 34; " 30.8; " 90.

Of the children examined for Labour Certificate this Ford. Season, Harry Keen, Tho. Moran, Herbert Titcombe, and Archie Kent passed in all three subjects.

25th

- May 25th Miss Winchcomb resumed her school duty this morning.
- " 29th The attendance has only been moderate this week, and nearly an empty school to-day on account of the wet.
The school broke up to-day for the Whitsun Holiday (one week).
Mixed Room: (Reg 71;) Aver. 55.8; percentage 78.5
Infant " (" 34); " 26.5; " 77.9
- June 8th Re-opened school after the Whitsun holiday.
- " 10th Only a poor attendance this morning on account of the wet.
- " 12th Mixed Room. (Reg. 65); Aver. 51.1; Percentage 74.
Infant " " 34; " 24.5; " 72.
- Appointments The Board at their last Meeting appointed Marion Wrigley, daughter of the present Infant's Teacher, to be the Assistant Mistress in the Infants Department. She was formerly in the service of the Board as (Art. 68) Teacher.
Mrs. Wrigley will relinquish her duties at the end of this month and Miss Wrigley will commence her duties on the 1st of July.
- 15 Only twenty-four children out of a possible 105 were present to-day and being wet I deemed

June 15th it unwise to keep them after their clothes were dry. This continuous wet will greatly affect the average for the year.

19th Mixed Room. Reg. 65; aver. 57.6; percentage 79
Infant " " 34; " 28.8; " "

22nd opened school half an hour earlier and dismissed children so much sooner in order to allow me go to Swindon on a matter of urgency.

23rd M^{rs} Wrigley informs me that her daughter cannot be able to take up her duties on the 1st of July.

26th Mixed Room. Reg 65; aver. 56.1; percentage
Infant " " 34; " 31.0; " "

29th Mr. Edge County Surveyor, visited school for inspection of premises on behalf of the forthcoming new Education Authority.

30th admitted two fresh scholars this morning. I have today tested the Registers & found them correct.

W. W. W. W. W. W. W.

Clerk

July 1st commenced the New School Year. All the scholars have been promoted, with the exception of the two Grubbs in Standard 1; and G. Looker & B. Reeve are only promoted in one subject.

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July 1st. Eight scholars have been transferred from the infant room.

Mrs Wrigley should have relinquished her duties on Tuesday but was fortunately able to continue ^{the work} Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

July 3. Mixed Room. Reg. 67. Aver. 58.3; Percentage 87.0
 Infant . . . 27; . . . 24.3; . . . 90.

6th. Miss Wrigley commenced her duties as Infant Teacher this morning.

7 only a very moderate attendance this day, probably owing to the continuous wet weather.

Miss Wrigley seems to be getting on very nicely with the infants.

The Board at their last meeting decided to close the school on Friday for the summer holiday.

10th Mixed room. Reg. 74. Aver 58.1; Percentage 98.5
 Infant . . .

The school closed to-day for six-weeks holiday.

Aug 24th. Re-opened school with a very wretched attendance. Only 40 children present out of a possible 104, making 64 scholars absent. The very wet

morning is probably the cause of so much absence. Only a slight improvement this afternoon.

Aug 25th I have this day examined the Registers & have found them correct
W. Winchcomb, Clerk.

" 28th The Lessons commenced before the holidays with Stand 3 were continued this week by using again actual money with regard to their addition of money. Very pleased with the way nearly all of them grasped the principle of adding money if any required amount as the result of work was very satisfactory.

Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 56.4; percentage 7
Infant " " 32; " 23.0; " 7

Aug 29th Commenced the work of Stand 4. Multiplication shewed pupils that Multiplication was only another form of addition for a number of times the same sum of money. Actual money was used commencing with the far. The result of work of those who have been present was of a highly satisfactory character. A number of scholars was away to day.

Sep 1st

Sep. 2nd on account of the Sunday School outing. Although the Clerk to the Bd has been in receipt of H.M. Inspector's Report for a month he has not allowed me the use of it in my inspection. A reason for this unsatisfactory proceeding shall be appended later if necessary.

The attention of the Board is directed to very irregular children named Wm and Fred New, recently admitted, and also with regard to Annie and Thomas Grubb's absence from school.

Sep 4th Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 56.1; percentage 74.8
 Infant " " 34; " 27.2; " 80.

Very satisfactory work has been done in all standards in the new work this month.

11th Considerable damage was done last night to the west window by the wind.

Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 60.3; Percentage 82.6
 Infant " " 34; " 25.8; " 75.8

15. The attendance is very poor this afternoon as several parents have taken their children on the hills to see the soldiers.

Sep. 3rd Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report for
Year ending June 30th 1903.

Mixed School. "The general condition of
the school has somewhat improved.
The writing is good and a fairly
satisfactory level is reached in Geograp
History, and Composition. The children
should read with more clearness and
intelligence, and should be more ready
to answer simple questions in Arithmetic.
Infant Class. The infants have been care
fully and intelligently taught, and
have made very good progress".
W Wincheomb.

Staff. Herbert Brighton First Class Certificate
Teacher

Marian Wrigley (Act. 68.) Infant Teacher
S. J. Wincheombe. Act. 18. Mixed Room
W Wincheomb, Clerk

18th

Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 56; Percentage 7.
Infant. " 34. " 24.7
The average attendance is very poor indeed

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Sep. 18th

This week due to the presence of the military in the neighbourhood.

The work of the new standard V is making satisfactory progress in arithmetic and Composition.

" 25th

Mixed Room. Reg. 69. Aver. 57.6; Percentage 83.4
 Infant " " 34. " 26.9; " 79.1.

4th" 30th

The last meeting of the members of the Bd was held to-day.

Oct 2nd

Mixed Room. Reg 69. Aver 59.3; Percentage 84.7.
 Infant " " " " " " " "

" 7th

The Lesson on the Snake and viper were continued this week and satisfactory progress made. and also with the Practice rule in the Fifth.

The continuous wet has reduced the average attendance.

" 9th

Thomas Gunter was Punished for indecently swearing to girls in the dinner hour.

Mixed Room. Reg 69. Aver. 59.4, percentage 86.

Infant " " 30 " 26.8 " 89.3.

13th

Four new scholars have been admitted this week. one 9 yrs of age does not know his letters. I put him in the infant room.

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Oct 14th

The children living in the low-lying parts of the village are unable to attend school on account of the floods.

16th

Miss Wrigley is absent from school this afternoon with leave.

Mixed Room. Aver. 58.6; Reg. 72; Percentage 81.3

Infants " 29.7; " 32 " 74.

I have not yet received a requisition book from County Council, ^{to enable me} to make out a list of school material, which I am in urgent need of.

19th

Admitted two fresh scholars to-day.

22nd

Further progress has been made in the Fourth Standard in the Long Division of Money and the children are showing nice progress in Composition.

23rd

Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 65.1; Percentage 87.

Infant " 32; " 26.5; " 82

26

A very poor attendance to-day on account of the continuous rain (68 out of a possible 105).

27th

Commenced the work of subtraction of Money in Stand 3, using actual money. This method is delightful and instructive to the children on account of the dark afternoons, the afternoon meetings of the school will be commenced fifteen minutes earlier.

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Oct 30th Mixed Room. Reg. 73; aver. 58.4; Percentage 80.
 Infant " 32; " 24.6; " 76.8

Nov. 3rd First supply of coal delivered from G. Davis of Swindon.

" 6th Another supply of fuel delivered from G. Davis.
 Commenced the work of Reduction of Money
 in Fourth Stand.

Mixed room. Reg. 73; Aver 61.7; Percentage 84.5.

Infant " 32; " 27.6 " 86.2.

Nov. 10th Mr. Davis Relieving officer to the Bd of
 Guardians for this district informed me
 this morning that he had been appointed
 Attendance officer for townborough
 Stand. 4 is making very satisfactory progress
 in the work of the new rule in arithmetic,
 but spelling is weak with two or three
 irregular children.

Mr. Davis took a list of absent children this
 morning and saw the parents about them.

Nov. 9th More coal has been delivered from G. Davis of
 Swindon.

Nov. 13th Mixed Room. Reg. 73; Aver. 67.4; Percentage 92.3.

Infant " 32; " 29.7; " 92.8.

These results show a satisfactory improvement
 in the attendance of the children this week.

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Nov 13th The use and duty of each part of speech in a sentence; and the simple construction of a sentence have now been dealt with. Many children of the Fifth are making re progress with their composition.

20th Miss Winchcomb absent from school duties to day owing to a bad cold. I was not able to adhere strictly to time-table. I made use of my two eldest children as monitors.

Not able to complete weekly attendance forms for County as I was only supplied with half the required forms.

Mixed Room. Reg 73; Aver. 68.4; percentage
Infant " " 33; " 29.7; " "

The work of the Infants is making very fair progress.

23rd Miss Winchcomb resumed her duties this morning.

Mr. Under visited school to inspect the windows. A list of absentees was given to School Attendance officer Mr. Davis.

26th Commenced to teach the GCM + LCM rules to 5th standard using a good supply of beams to illustrate the measures and multiples.

- Nov^r 26 Visited these Schools attested Registers & found same correct
J^m Hindle
- " 27th Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 68.8; percentage 92.9
Infant " " 33; " 27.9 " 84.5.
- " 31th Commenced the Long Division rule with the children of stand. 3.
- " Received the supply of school stationery, new Reading ^{books} etc, from Education Committee of County Council.
- Dec. 3rd Miss Wrigley unable to attend to her school duties as she is suffering from a bad cold.
- " 4 Miss Wrigley is unable to attend school today.
Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 68.3; percentage 92.2
Infant " " 32; " 29.2 " 91.2
- 7th Miss Wrigley resumed her school duties this morning.
- 8th The parents of Mr. Gunter, C. Kent and James Haines, (E. Fowler, Guardian) attended a meeting of the Managers with respect to the irregularity of the respective children; and cautioned with a view to legal proceedings if an improvement did not place in the attendance of the children.

Dec. 9th

Commenced teaching the Fifth Standard.
the work of Fractions.

11th

Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 62.5; Percentage 84.4
Infant " " 32; " 22.1; " 69.

The attendance has been considerably reduced
by illness (sore throats, colds & coughs) & wet.

16th

The Object Lesson on the Beaks and Claws
of Birds was finished this afternoon.

18th

A nice improvement in the Handwriting
and Reading of the Third Standard; and a
very satisfactory improvement in the Arithmetic
of the Fifth Standard all shown.

Composition with the aid of the Grammar
Lessons is making very steady progress.
Spelling is still weak with a few children
in the Fourth Standard.

19th

Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 66.2; Percentage 88.8
Infant " " 32; " 27.2; " 85.

23rd

School closed for Xmas Holiday (Jan. 1st)
Mixed Room Reg. 73; Aver. 61.6; Percentage 84.4
Infant " " 32; " 26.4; " 82.

The Singing Lessons in Dec. were devoted to
teaching the children a Christmas Card.

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Jan 4th

School re-opened to-day with an attendance
of 94 children out of a possible 107.

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Jan 4th

The few cases of absences are due to the prevalence of Whooping-cough + mumps in the village.

5th

Commenced the explanation and worked therefrom examples in Avirdupis weight in Stand IV. dealing with it in the same manner as in the money change. The results were more than satisfactory.

8th

Mixed Room. Reg. 74; Aver. 66.1; Percentage 89.3.
 Infant . . . 33; . . . 30.6; . . . 92.7.

12th

Commenced compound practice with the Fifth Standard.

18th

The attendance is not so good on account of the wet to-day.

15th

Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 67.2; Percentage 89.6
 Infant . . . 34; . . . 29.7; . . . 87.3.

18th

Commenced the Long Measure rule in the Fourth Stand (Chalk lines were drawn on School Floor to illustrate the various lengths). Splendid attendance has been made by scholars this week, and nice progress has also been made in consequence.

22nd

Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 65.5; Percentage 87.3.
 Infant . . . 34; . . . 32.3; . . . 95.

The infants made a record attendance this week.

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1904
Jan. 26. Have taken Time Measure with the Fourth
Stand. and worked examples from it with
very creditable results.

28th Very wet to-day. The attendance has suffered
considerably on account of it.

29th The spelling in the Fourth has made very
good progress this month.

Mixed Room 75; Aver. 60.7; Percentage 84.3
Infant " 34; " 27.6; " 81.1

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Feb 2. I examined the registers this
morning & found them correct.
Excellent order was kept in the
School.

Geo. Hinton

Feb. 2nd Commenced the rule of Simple Proportion
in the Fifth; and recapitulated some back
in Fourth Standard.

3rd The lesson on the Spider given to Stands. 1.2
The impassable state of the roads has effected
the attendance to-day.

5th Mixed Room Reg. 72; Aver. 64.9; Percentage
Infant " 34; " 27.0; "

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Feb. 8th

Taught the Measure of Capacity to the Fourth Stand. Pictures of the various measures were drawn on floor of school for my illustrations. Children were greatly interested.

10th

Water out in the roads the attendance is consequently poor.

12th

Mixed Room. Reg. 70; Aver. 63.2; Percentage 87.7
 Infant " " 34; " 25.5; " 75.

19th

Mixed Room. Reg. 72; Aver. 59.8; " 83
 Infant " " 34; " 26.1; " 76.7.

24th

Spelling shows a further improvement with the exception of three scholars. Reuben Richards, Ed Plumb, & Fred Large (First Division).

26th

Mixed Room. Reg. 71; Aver. 62.9; Percentage 88.5
 Infant " " 33; " 28.8; " 87.2.

Mar. 4th

Miss ^{Winchcombe} is unable to attend to her school duties as she is suffering from a bad cold and loss of voice. The time-table will not be strictly adhered to in consequence.

Mixed Room. Reg. 71; Aver. 64.8; Percentage 91.2
 Infant " " 33; " 28.2; " 85.4.

8th

Miss Winchcombe resumed her duties this morning.

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Mar. 9th

Visited with Mr. Bond
George S. Hodson.
March 9th 1904.

11th The attendance shows a marked improvement this week, and my survey of the work generally also shows that steady progress is being made.
Mixed Room. Reg. 71. Aver. 68.7; Percentage 96.7
Infant " " 33. " 30.7; " 93.0

16th The lesson on the Potato Plant completed.
18 Mixed Room. Reg. 71; Aver. 67.7; Percentage 95.7
Infant " " 33; " 29.5; " 89.7

29th A lesson on Primrose was substituted for one on a Hive of Bees, as I considered it more appropriate as spring flowers are now in full bloom.

The attendance in Mixed Room keeps up well.
31st Mixed Room. Reg. 71; Aver. 70.1 Percentage 98.7
Infant " " 32; " 28.1 " 87.7

The school broke up for the Easter Holidays to re open on the following Monday week (April 12th).
April 11th There were five new scholars admitted into Infant room this morning.

April 12th - The school was visited by Mr. C. Whalley
 & the Rev. H. J. King. The Registers were tested & found
 correct. The floor in the mixed room requires repairing
 in places. The plates in the floor which were apparently placed
 there for purposes of ventilation are in a very unsatisfactory
 condition being choked with dust which seems to be the
 accumulation of years, & constituting a grave danger
 to health. The ^{Boys'} closets outside appear to be insufficiently
 supplied with water - the more especially as regards the
 urinal - Here the flushing pipe is quite stopped up, & ~~is~~
 even if it worked properly is quite inadequate for cleansing
 the wall of the urinal. The pump of the flushing apparatus
 seems to be out of repair. In view of the approaching
 summer weather the visiting managers above mentioned
 desire to call the immediate attention of the school authority
 to this matter. The desks in the large room are very unsound
 & insecure so that it is impossible for children using them to
 do themselves justice either in writing or drawing.
 The master desires a larger desk for his use in the school room
 & the visiting managers recommend that this should be provided.
 The managers wish to call the
 attention of the Wilts County Council
 to the insufficient accommodation
 of the master's house - H.J.K.
 C.W.

Henry J. King } visiting
 C. Whalley } managers

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- April 15th Mixed Room Reg 71; Aver. 69.3; Percentage 97.6
Infant " 37; " 34.2; " 92.4.
Infants allowed portion of my garden for playground.
- " 18th Four new scholars were admitted into the
Infant room and one in Mixed room.
- " 22nd Reading has made an improvement in the
Third and Fourth Standards, and there is
also a marked improvement in the spelling
in the 1st Division of the school.
- 27th Mixed Room 72 Reg: Aver. 71.0; Percentage 98.
Infant " 41 " " 39.7; " 96.
The lesson on the veins of leaves was given
this week.
- " 29th Mixed Room Reg. 71; Aver. 68.9; Percentage 97.
Infant " " 41; " 39.6; " 96.
- May 6th Mixed Room Reg. 70; Aver. 65.4; Percentage 95.
Infant " " 41; " 39.9 " 91.
- " 10th The attendance is very poor this morning
on account of the wet.
- " 12th The forms of leaves were considered, and
many leaves were brought by children
for comparison.
- " 14th Mixed Room Reg 70; Aver. 68.9; Percentage 97.
Infant " " 41; " 37.5; " 91.

- May 16th Willie Goddard a visitor was admitted to the infant room. He had apparently been in the village for some time without attending school.
- 18th The lesson on the forms of Leaves was continued this week.
- 19th Mr. Hays the County Surveyor visited school this afternoon with a view of inspecting work to be done. He expressed his disappointment with the fact that he was ^{not} acquainted with the inability of tradesmen to carry out the work and so save a fruitless journey.
- 20th Mixed Room Reg 70: Aver. 67.2; Percentage 96.
 Infant " " 42; " 34.0; " 92.8
 School closed for the Whitsun Holiday (week)
- 30th Re-opened school with an attendance of 108 out of a possible 110.
- 31st Mr Davis (S.A.O.) called with a view of visiting parents of irregular children.
- June 3rd Mixed Room Reg 70: Aver. 68.5; Percentage 97.8
 Infant " " 40; " 38.9; " 97.2.
- 8th Received a supply of stationery from E. J. Knold & Son. Leeds. (All goods ordered not received) Found it necessary to caution children with regard to late coming.

June 10th Reg. (Mixed Room). 69; Aver. 67.2; Percentage 90
 " Infant. 40; " 37.5; " 90

Shapes of Flowers have been considered this week

June 13th Received the missing parcel of Stationery from Rly Co. this evening.

June 17th Mixed Room. Reg. 69; Aver. 66.9; Percentage 90
 " Infant " " 40; " 39.5; " 90

June 22nd The lesson on the roots of Plants was taken this week.

Very encouraging work has been performed throughout school in my last examination with the exception of a few scholars who show a weakness in spelling in Standard

June 24th Mixed Room; Reg. 69; Aver. 66.3; Percentage 90
 " Infant " " 40; " 38.6; " 90

June 27th Visited the School this afternoon. A pipe should be supplied for finishing the wall of the urchinal.
 Richard T. Curry

Mr. W. H. Dolman was also present at visit of Inspection.

June 29 Miss Wrigley was allowed a half holiday this afternoon.

June 27th. Three fresh scholars have been admitted in the infant room.

July 1st. Twelve scholars were transferred from infant room to the Mixed room to-day.
Mixed Room. Reg 69; Aver. 64.5; Percentage 93.4
Infant " " 43; " 38.9; " 90.4.

6th. The work of Stand 3 in Arithmetic was commenced this morning. Actual money was used in illustration of the rules. The same methods will be adopted throughout the standards in the teaching of the rules as in previous years.

8th. Mixed Room. Reg. 79; Aver. 68.2; percentage 86.3.
Infant " " 31; " 27.5 " 88.7.

15th. Mixed Room. Reg 79; Aver. 63.6 Percentage 82.5
Infant " " 31; " 24.8 " 80.1

18th. Miss Wrigley was absent from school with leave. Lybil + Cissie Brighton acted as monitors for the day.

22nd. Mixed Room. Reg 79; Aver. 68.3; percentage 88.7
Infant " " 31; " 26.3; " 84.8.

~~Holidays~~ The school broke up this afternoon for the summer holiday until Sep. 5th when several important alterations are to be carried out. Mr Williams & Swinson is to undertake the work.

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July 22nd Miss Wrigley the infant teacher, relinquishes her duties this afternoon.

Sep 6th School re-opened this morning instead of yesterday as school was not ready for the reception of the children, - but it was necessary for the teachers to be present to collect the misplaced apparatus etc., .
Mrs Bush commenced her school duties this morning.

Sept 6th Visited the School with Ethel N. Wickett
The Register were tested and found correct
Henry Wickett

6th Three children admitted into infant room this morning.

7th Two more scholars admitted into the infant room.

8th Resumed Stand III lessons in addition of Money on the same principle as previous year using actual money. Very good progress has been made, and the children are greatly interested in it.

9th Mixed Room. Reg. 76; Aver. 41.8; Percentage 94
Infant 36: " 26.8; " 80

Mr. Abbe, County Surveyor
visited school at termination
of holiday.

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Sep. 6th Copy of H. M. Inspector's Report for
year ending June 30th 1904.

Mixed School. "The children are orderly, and now attend School with greater regularity. They are receiving careful instruction, and considering the circumstances under which they are taught, their progress is satisfactory, but the staff is too small to secure a high state of efficiency. The desks are very old and shaky. A water pipe should be provided for flushing the wall of the urinal."

Infant Class. "The infants are orderly, and are making as good progress as can be expected when several classes of little children are taught by one Teacher."

M. Wrigley is recognised under Art 68 of the code of 1903.

On

12th

commenced the Multiplication of Money rule in the 4th Stand, and showed pupils it was only a form of addition for a number of times the same sum of money. Allowed them to prove the rule by examples.

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- Sep. 16th Mixed Room. Reg. 76; Aver. 70.9; Percentage 92.1
 Infant . . . 36; . . . 26.8; " 74.4
- " 20th Commenced the rules in Arithmetic of the Sixth
 and Seventh Standards. The lesson on the
 horse was completed this week.
- 21st
- 23rd Mixed Room. Reg. 76; Aver. 73.1; Percentage 96.1
 Infant " . . . 30; . . . 30.4; " 89.3
- 26th Tho. Grubb re-admitted from Liddington
- 27th Annie " re-admitted.
 Dona Louisa Grubb admitted into the Infant room.
- 28th School closed this morning for a few days on
 account of putting in air extractors in the roof
 of ^{the} Mixed and Infant rooms.
- Mixed Room. Reg. 78; Aver. 74.6; Percentage 95.6
 Infant . . . 35; . . . 27.8; " "
- Oct 4th School duties were resumed this morning. There
 were three new scholars admitted viz. Daisy Hazell
 and Bertie Cavers and W. Hazell.
- 5th The lesson on Autumn completed this afternoon.
- 7th Mixed Room. Reg. 79; Aver. 74.8; Percentage 94.7
 Infant. Inf. 37; . . . 27.8; " 75.3
- The new stand 5 is making satisfactory progress
 with the practice rule.

- Oct 11th Commenced to instruct the children of Stand 3. the principle of subtraction of Money, using actual coins. The children were delighted with ^{this} method, and highly pleased with the progress made.
- 12th The lesson on the cow was finished this week.
- 14th Mixed Room. Reg 76; Aver. 72.8; Percentage 95.7
 Infant . . . 37; . . . 30.4; . . . 82.1.
- 17th Five new scholars were admitted this morning.
- 21st Mixed Room Reg 79; Aver 73.1; Percentage 92.5
 Infant . . . 39; . . . 30.9; . . . 79.2
- 24th New scholar admitted to Infant room.
 Pleased to report that the infant child George State has apparently become a good child, and evidently trying to learn something. Her remarks in Punishment Bk.
- 26th The rabbit and hare compared in the object lesson this afternoon.
- 28th Mixed Room. Reg 79; Aver 75.1; Percentage 95.
 Infant . . . 41; . . . 32.5; . . . 79.2.
- Nov. 2nd Received a supply of stationery from W. C. C. thro' E. J. Arnold of Leeds.
- " " The lesson on Paws + Claws was given this afternoon, and found it necessary to send Kandie. Intercombe home on account of dirty state of her head.

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Nov. 4th Three boys viz J. Smith, C. Keates, + A Keen were too late to be marked this afternoon, on account of being called to go after three run-away horses during the dinner-hour.

Several children have been absent this week suffering from sore throats; The average attend-ance has in consequence suffered.

4th Mixed Room Reg: 79; Aver: 69.7; Percentage 88.2
Infant " " 41; " 27.4; " 66.8

8th Visited School on Nov 8th later Report & paid them correct Harry Worlcott

Lesson on the Cat completed this week.

The attendance is suffering on account of illness especially in the infant room.

Mixed Room. Reg 79; Aver 67.6; Percentage 85.5.

Infant . . . 41; " 26.9; " 65.5

Nov 14th Commenced the division of money rule with the Stand II children.

Mr. Adye County Surveyor paid a visit this morning.

Two new scholars were admitted to day.

16th The lesson on the horse finished to day.

17th The school closed to-day for the purpose of raising stoves. The heat from fires caused the wooden blocks to rise. This alteration was considered urgent by Mr. Adye.

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Nov. 18th Mixed Room. Reg. 78; Aver. 60.5; Percentage 97.5
Infant . . . 40; . . . 27.6; . . . 69. -

The great falling off in the attendance seems to be due to the prevalence of measles in the village.

21st Admitted five new scholars to-day.

23rd I visited the Schools this day and tested the Registers, found the same correct. The attendance was very low owing to the prevalence of measles in the village, and a fall of snow causing the weather to be very inclement. I have drawn the attention of the Medical Officer to the measles epidemic, and have left his reply in the hands of the Correspondent for the opinion of the Managers.

Fred Strinton

24th The correspondent (Mr Winchcombe) visited school this afternoon and informed me that the Managers advised the closing of the schools on account of measles. It is rather singular nearly every child in attendance

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Nov 24th

seems to be ailing in some form or another.
 Mixed room. Reg. 83; Aver. 57. Percentage 68.6
 Infant. " 40; " 23.2 " 58.1

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Jan. 2nd

School re-opened after closure for epidemic of measles and Xmas holidays with a fairly good attendance.

The managers' attention is directed to the dirty and unsatisfactory state of school generally. & although school was opened to-day it did not present a very inviting appearance for a meeting of school after holidays. The fires were lighted too late to be beneficial, especially in the mixed room, where the children and teachers shivered with cold nearly the whole morning.

The w.c.s remained unflushed from the time of closing school (Nov. 24th) till last Friday (Dec. 30th).

The lesson on Snail to be taken this week.

Jan 3rd commenced the Division Rule in Stand B.

6th Mixed Room: Reg 80. Aver. 68.8; Percentage 85.9

Infant " " 41 " 27.1; " 66.0

10th commenced the work of Bills and Invoices in the Fifth Standard.

" The lesson on Ivy-plant finished to-day.

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Jan. 13th The S. A. officer has been dealing with the absentee cases this week with a view to a more regular attendance & the negligent.
- Mixed Room. Reg. 80; Aver. 71.3; Percentage 59.1
Infant . . . 40; . . . 29. . . . 67.5
- 17th The window of the Infant room was blown in during blizzard last night. The weather being bitterly cold allowed children to keep their clothes on.
- Have taken more advanced work with the children of the 3rd Stand. and am satisfied that good progress is being made.
- 18th The lesson on the Primrose was given this week.
- " 20th Mixed Room. Reg. 80; Aver. 73.0; Percentage 91.2
Infant . . . 40; . . . 25.7; . . . 64.2.
- 24th Ton of Coal deposited in Girls' playground from Mr G Davis of Swindon.
- 25th The lesson on 'Snow-drop' completed this week. Commenced the reduction of Honey in Std 4.
- " 27th An improvement in the attendance of the infants has taken place this week.
- The smoky pipe in Infant ^{Room} has been attended to by Mr Austin (Blacksmith) by request of Manager.
- Reg. Mixed Room. 80; Aver. 71.9; Percentage 84.?
Infant . . . 40; . . . 31. . . . 77.5.

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Jan. 30th

A vessel and shovel have been provided for the stove in Mixed Room to-day.

Feb 1st

The lesson on Parts of a Flower was completed to-day.

" 3rd

Mixed Room. Reg. 80; Aver. 71.3; Percentage 89.1
 Infant " " 40; " 32.0; " 80.

" 7th

A poor attendance this morning on account of the rain.

" 10th

Visited school at 8¹¹.

W. W. Dolman.

H. U. J. Mr. S. Norris was present at this visit of inspection.

" 10th

The lesson on Moss was finished this week.

Mixed Room. Reg. 80; Aver. 71.2; Percentage 89.
 Infant " " 39; " 31.1; " 79.7.

" 3rd

Commenced the consideration of the weighing of common commodities in the Fourth Standard.

" 15

The lesson on Ferns was completed this afternoon.

" 17th

Mixed Room. Reg. 80; Aver. 73.2; Percentage 91.5
 Infant " " 39; " 27.7; " 71.0.

" 24th

Mixed " Reg. 80; " 73.8; Percentage 92.2
 Infant " " 39; " 26.8; " 68.7.

Mar. 6th

A fresh scholar admitted to the infant room.

" 7th

A window broken this dinner hour by one of the infants whipping his top.

" 9th

Some satisfactory work have been done by the

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- Mar. 9th Fourth stand in Howardupois weight.
- " " The lesson on the margin of leaves given this week.
- 10th Mixed Room. Reg 80; Aver: 74.4; Percentage 93%
 Infant " 40; " 32.8; " 82%
- 15th The veins of leaves were considered this week.
- 22nd The lesson on the snake and viper finished.
- 24th Mixed Room. Reg. 78; Aver: 70.4; Percentage 90.2
 Infant " 40; " 30.5; " 76.2
- 20th A new scholar admitted to the Infant room
27. Two fresh scholars admitted, one to the Infant room and one in Mixed room. A. + Collett.
- 28th Long Measure dealt with in 4th. Various lengths drawn on school floor for comparison + instruction.
 The lesson on 'Spring' completed.
 Mixed Room. Reg 78; Aver 72.4; Percentage 92.8
 Infant " 41; " 33.1; " 80.7
- April 5th The lesson on Birds given this week. Spelling is making nice progress with the girls in the 4th but the boys are still backward.
 Admitted an infant scholar. Dopsom.
- 12th The lesson on 'Butterfly' given this week.
- 19th The smoke coming from fire-place + chimney pipe was impossible to bear, so broke up for Easter holidays this afternoon till Monday week.
 Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver 73.3; Percentage 97.3.

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- May 1st Re-opened school. Dealt with the Measure of Capacity rule, drawing pictures of various measures on the floor.
- 2nd Received two parcels of school material from Messrs Arnold & Son, Leeds.
Mrs Bush is unable to attend school to-day on account of illness. Children from mixed room were sent in as monitors, under my supervision.
- 3rd Mrs Bush is unable to attend to her school ^{duties} this week by medical order. I shall manage as before. Commenced recapitulation of object lessons.
- 5th Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 72; Percentage 96
Infant " " 43; " 31.7; " 73.7
- 8th Margaret Fox admitted to infant room.
No gardening tools have been received, consequently, am unable to make a start with the work. They have been ordered now some time.
- 12th Mrs Bush resumed her school duties to-day.
Mixed Room. Reg. 75; Aver. 72.7; Percentage 96.9
Infant " " 42; " 34.1; " 81.1
- 15th The gardening tools were delivered to school on Friday evening, and a start with the work was commenced this afternoon from 2.30 to 3.45 p.m.

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16th

A special lesson on gardening was allowed the boys as the plots needed to be dug well and thoroughly cleaned.

Have decided to take boys to gardening on Mondays + Wednesdays from 2.30 to 3.45 p.m. The sewing and drawing will be taken last instead of being the first lessons on those days.

25th

Visit of Inspection. W. H. Dolman.
H. M. J. S. Norris Esq. was also present at this visit of inspection. There were six scholars examined for Labour Certificates.

26th

Mixed Room. Reg 75; Ave: 71.7; Percentage 95.6
Infant " 42; " 34; " 80.9

June 5th

Martha Little a new scholar admitted.
Miss Winchcomb was unable to attend to her school duties as she was not well.

6th

M^{rs} Davis S.A.O. visited school (absentees).

9th

School closed to-day for Whitsun holiday (2 days).

19th

The school was closed for the week, as the work in connection with W.C.'s was unfinished.
Commenced school to-day. There were three new scholars admitted.

Problematic work is being specially dealt with in Stand II.

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Copy of H.M.I report for year 1904-05
Mixed School. "The children are orderly,
but the staff is not sufficiently strong for
really good general progress to be made.
Cottage gardening should not be attempted
until it is possible to provide a stronger
staff for the school."

Infants' class. "The infants are being
carefully taught, and are well advanced
in their work."

Correspondent. W. Winchcomb.

Staff. Herbert Brighton. First Class
Certificated Teacher.

Sarah J. Winchcomb (4168) Mixed Room
E. L. Bush () Infant Room.

My examination of the Fourth Stand in
Spelling shows that the boys G. Loster, & Payne
L. Nordan, ^{J. Smith} W. Norris are exceedingly weak
in that subject. Basing, Reeve & Plumb
shew a great improvement in that subject.

Mixed Room. Reg. 79; aver. 75.1; Percentage 95.0
Infant " " 44; " 35.6; " 80.9

27th Standard III. shows a great improvement in
Reading and writing but the problematic

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work in their Arithmetic is only fair.

July 3rd

Commenced the New School year with 92 scholars in Mixed room and 32 in the Infant room. There were 12 infants transferred to the Mixed room

These numbers show evidence of another teacher being required in the large room. Although the boys are as interested in Gardening as I am, I do not see how that subject and Drawing can be effectively accomplished with the present staff.

July 18th

visited this School attested Registers & found them correct

J. M. Hinder

21st

Mixed Room, Reg. 89; Aver. 66.9; Percentage 75.1
 Infant " 33; " 20.4; " 61.8.

The school closed to-day for the summer holidays.

Holidays

Sep. 4th

School re-opened to-day with an attendance of 107. The absentees were away through sickness. Mrs. Bush is unable to perform her school duties on account of illness. She will unfortunately be away some time. Two of my daughters were sent into the infant room. (Lybil + Ethel)

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Sep. 5th

The attendance was poor to-day in consequence of a number of children being away for a Band of Hope outing.

6th

Visited this school examined Registers and found them correct. Mr. Sturles Boys sent to gardening in half the numbers entirely on their own responsibility as I am unable to accompany them.

No Drawing can be taken while Mrs. Bush is away as sewing is unprovided for.

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Visited the School & examined Registers found them correct with the exception of Mr. Sage who was sent home by the Inspector owing to an accident to his workbench.

The Infants were being taught by Ethel & Eva Brighton owing to the absence of Mrs. Bush through illness.

Mrs. Sturles

22nd Maid Room. Reg. 86; Avoc. 81.3; Percentage 94.5
Infant

25th Mrs. Bush resumed her school duties this morning.

- Oct. 2nd Continued the work of Practice in the Fifth, and Compound Division in the Fourth.
- 3rd The lesson on the Mole finished
- 6th Mixed Room. Reg. 83; Aver. 77.3; Percentage 93.1.
 Infant " 33; " 22.8; " 69.
- 10th In dealing with work in Stand 3. Actual money was used by the children. This method proved interesting and most instructive.
- 20th Fred Large and Sidney Morse were punished for their vulgar behaviour.
- 25th A consignment of 13 dual desks (1 broken) was delivered to school this afternoon.
- 26th More desks delivered to school this afternoon.
- 30th More desks delivered to school to-day.
- 31st No school to-day as arrangements were made for the removal of the old desks, and putting the new ones in their places.
- The County Ed. Authority has been apprised thro' the Correspondent that the new desks supplied for Stands 1, 2 + 3, are only infant desks. They may probably be for the infant room if it is the intention of Local Ed. A. to do away with the gallery.
- Nov. 1st The lesson on 'Beaks of birds' finished this week.
- 7th Received three parcels of stationery from Messrs Arnold & Son, Leeds.

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Nov. 7th Commenced the G. B. M and L. C. M rules in the 5th.
In teaching the principles which underlie these rules, shells were used and very satisfactory work attained.

Mixed Room, Reg 80; Aver. 73.3; Percentage 91.6
Infant . . . 32, . . . 25.3; " . . . 79.

Nov. 17 I attended the School this afternoon and checked the Registers, found them correct. A moderate attendance in the Infant Room

J. Hinton

" 16th Lessons on Fractions commenced in the 5th

21. New scholar admitted to infant room. (A. J. Hicks)
Lessons on Frog completed this afternoon

24th Mixed room, Reg 80, Aver. 75.2; Percentage 94%
Infants " . . . 33, . . . 24.5; " . . . 74.2

During the dark afternoons the school opens half an hour earlier to enable scholars living a long distance from school to reach home before dark.

Dec. 7th A new desk delivered in place of broken one.
The matter of a broken desk, returned to Horns Lake & Deas

- Dec. 11th Edgar Hunter admitted to infant room.
 13 The lesson on the squirrel completed this afternoon.
 15 Progress is being made with the Arith. in Stand VI.
 and IV. Spelling is weak in Stand 3.
 The lesson on the owl finished this week.
 The school broke up for the Xmas Holidays
 to-day, & to reopen on Jan. 8th.

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- Jan. 8th School re-opened to-day with a good attendance.
 Four new scholars were admitted, one to the
 Mixed Room, and three to the Infant room.
 10th 17. Seventeen deal desks (out of 22 to be delivered)
 (5 broken) brought to school to-day. These are
 to replace infant desks sent by mistake.
 12th Chas. Barham admitted to infant room.
 Mixed Room - Reg. 80. Aver. 74.4; Percentage 98%
 Infants . . . 38 . . . 30.1; . . . 79.2
 18th Very poor attendance on account of the heavy gale.
 23rd Shewed Stand III the different ways of making up
 making up 6^d. 4. and a florin, using real money.
 31 Commenced Trov Dupois weight with the 4th Stand.
 Making up the table themselves by my questioning &
 represented weights by dots and other figures.
 Feb. 2nd Organised running games for boys, girls & infants
 when playground is in a suitable state.

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- Feb. 1st Five dual desks delivered in place of broken ones during transit from Messrs Wake & Dean (Yatton).
- Infant's desks removed
7th Twenty-two desks removed by man sent from Messrs Wake & Dean (Contractors).
Commenced & closed school half an hour earlier to arrange for concert in the evening.
- 8th One at least of ^{the} seats ^{of the desks} were badly scratched last night during the proceedings.
- 9th Mixed Room. Reg 79. Aver. 72.1; Percentage 91.2
Infant " 39. " 29. " 74.3
- 13th In dealing with measures of length children ^{were} allowed to take actual measurements, as far as school-room permitted.
- 14th Bills & Parcels commenced with the Fifth Standard. Seven boys came to school in a very dirty and untidy state after playing foot-ball (sent home to tidy themselves).
- 16th Found glass panel in door broken this morning.
- 23rd Very satisfactory work done in Fourth Stand. in Long Measure.
- 26th J. Morse sent home on account of uncleanness in body & clothes.
- March 3rd Visited the School.

Wuland. F. Curry

L. M. J. S. Norris Esq., was also present at this visit of inspection.

- Mar. 9th Mixed Room. Req. 82, Aver. 76.9; Percentage 93.7.
 Infant 39; .. 31.8; .. 81.5.
- " 7th The lesson on the 'Potato' finished this week.
- " 15 W. Pulling Esq. Director of Education L. H. C. C. met some of the Managers for a Conference this morning.
- " 16th James Pearce Esq. visited school on behalf of the Royal Commission on the Care & Control of the Feeble-minded.
- " 26th Two children, John & Winifred Heman admitted to Infant room.
- 27th Miss Winchcombe unable to attend school this afternoon on account of sickness.
- Mixed Room. Req. 81, Aver 72.4; Percentage 89.3
 Infant 41; .. 32.2; .. 78.5.
- April 4th The lesson on the 'Daffodil' completed.
- " 11th The school closed for the Easter-holiday to re-open on the 23rd.
- " 23rd Ivy Ford-Dixon admitted to infant room.
- " 25th A lesson on the 'Frog' finished.
- May 4th The work in Arith. (Scheme B.) in place of Scheme A. is progressing satisfactorily. The entire change

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May 4th will not be completed before the end of the school year.

May 8th Three children admitted to Mixed Room and three to Infant Room.

9th "Spring vegetation" + observation of buds from small branches considered this afternoon.

11th Mixed Room: Reg. 81. Aver. 73.9. Percentage 91.3
Infant: " 45 " 36.7; " 81.5.

14 Linda Manners admitted to infant room.

15 Several parents were asked to meet the managers with regard to the irregularity of their children.

21st Children bringing notes, were allowed to leave school a little earlier, to attend their Sunday Sch. Tea.

" 24th Visit of Inspection. J. Norris 2
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15th Directed the Managers attention to non-supply of water in cistern to supply the Teachers W.C.

28th Willie and May Jenkins visitors from Southall admitted to school for a short period.

30. The lesson on the farmer's crops completed to-day.

June 1st Mixed Room: Reg. 81; Aver. 73.3; Percentage 90.5
Infant " 47; " 37.9; " 80.6

- June 4th School closed Whitthunday & Tuesday.
 - 6 Attendance was poor this afternoon in
 consequence of a childrens tea in connection
 with the Sunday School.
 13th Lesson on Insects completed this afternoon.

Copy of H. M. Inspector's Report for year
 ending June 30th (1905-06)

Mixed Room. The scholars are, on the whole,
 in good order. They read accurately, but
 without much intelligence. Handwriting is
 fairly good. In the remainder of their work
 they are backward. The staff is insufficient
 for the proper working of the school, and
 matters will not improve until an addition-
 -al teacher is appointed.

Infant Room.

The Infants' teacher is solely responsible
 for the instruction of nearly fifty infants,
 as well as for the Needlework of the Mixed
 Room. Under the circumstances the progress
 made by the infants may be considered
 satisfactory."

W. Winchcomb

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~~will not be completed before the end of school year.~~

20th

A new clock delivered and fixed by man from Kays of Worcester this morning.

23rd

A lesson on the sense of flowers completed

25th

Maud Titcombe sent home for the third time on account of the filthy state of her head.

July 2nd

New school year commenced. Eleven pupils transferred from Infant room to Mixed room. The average for year in Mixed Depart. is 74 and for Infant Depart. is 29. making a total of 103.

The children were to day promoted to their new classes.

4th

A lesson on Insects and flowers completed.

13th

School broke up for the Summer Holidays this afternoon.

August 27th

School re-opened this morning after the Summer holidays.

William Gill admitted to Infant room.

Mixed Room Reg. 81. Ave. 71.4; Percentage 88.1

Infant " "

Sep. 4th

Robert Basing admitted to Infant room.

- Sep. 12th Twenty children were absent this afternoon (unnecessarily) attending a bazaar held in the village.
- 24th Maud Ditombe warned again quietly about her verminous head. In consequence of her sister's abuse I shall in future report the case to the inspector of the Society of P. G. G.
26. The water supply, for flushing the W.C.'s, according to the caretaker, appears to be exhausted.
- Oct. 2. Edmund Tucker admitted to infant room.
12. The lesson on the 'Cat' completed this week.
- 15 Mr. Bush an officer of the W.C.C. visited school with a view of fitting up lavatories for school.
- 17th Mrs. Gunter punished (2 strokes) for talking indecently to girls in the dinner hour.
- 22nd Winifred and Iris Williams admitted to Mixed room.
- 24th Edgar + Edward Kember admitted to Mixed room.
31. Man from Swindon white washed & disused sanitary block.
- Nov. 1st Very dark afternoon unable to see to do work.
- 8th Afternoon sessions of school commence half an hour earlier to allow pupils living a long way from school to reach home before dark.

Nov. 5th Annie Ponting and William Grey admitted to U.R.
 1st very wet day and very poor attendance.
 4th Another wet day and attendance poor.

14th The lesson on the 'Roots of Plants' finished.

15th When the Caretaker's attention was called to the uncouth behaviour of her son George, as I was engaged with the clerical work after school, her eldest son became insulting and threatened to put his hands into my face:

28th Things that are porous considered this week.

29th Willie & Frank Norris sent home, being 45 min late. Form. SA 2 sent back by V. Turner with disgusting message.

Dec. 7th In the work of the classes progress is being made, Reading and Spelling are, however, the weak subjects.

Insects and Flowers considered this week.

17th Mr. G. H. Corbett visited the school this afternoon made some recommendations for school material & furniture, and asked to see the laboratories. The latter I was not able to ^{show him} do as I did not know where they were.

21st Broke up this afternoon for Xmas Holiday
 (Our weeks)

Jan 7th Re-opened school. A new scholar, Fred
 1907 Chambers admitted to Mixed Room

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Jan 7th A master's desk, cupboard and a globe received from Messrs Wake + Dean (Yarrow). The cupboard was damaged at the top.

" 10 Visited this School examined Registers and found same correct
W^m Kinder

" 18. Visit of Inspection:
W W Dolman.
S. Norris Esq. was also present at this visit of inspection.

15. The Managers visited school after meeting. Two very kindly removed cupboard to its proper place.

15th. The school attendance officer visited school in respect of absentees.

21st. Having to see correspondent (W. Winchcomb) re-circular 1. Needlework, he informed me that M^{rs} Looker (caretaker) had made a complaint to him that the boys + girls were running about the girls' playground and intermingling in the girls' closets during the dinner hour, + further he understood I was aware of it. This complaint is a most serious charge + my sense of honour + justice would not allow a matter of this dreadful description to go

to go unchallenged. When Mrs. Looker was questioned about it she totally denied having told Mr. Winchcomb anything of the kind, & saying he came up to her and said now, if you have any complaints to make mend you make them to the managers.

Whatever is the object of this charge I cannot imagine. My frequent visits round the building during the dinner hour would prevent anything of the nature referred to occurring. My close questioning of children I could neither discover boys being in the playground or any girls being run after. This matter is so serious that I contend the managers should give an expression of opinion as to the charge is involved in insinuation of the laxity of moral duty; and, also, that the matter should be brought to the notice of the County Authority. Whenever possible, school hours & out of school hours, outside arrangements with respect to the children have always received careful attention.

Jan 28th

Mr. D. Kimber visited school this morning for the purpose of religious inspection
Sidney Eaton admitted to Infant Room

Feb. 12/07 Attended the School, checked Reports and found them correct. A poor attendance owing to the very wet morning

W. H. Hinton

Feb. 11th Window broken between Friday ^{Managers} night and Monday morning.

Feb. 15th Copy of Report made by H.M. Inspectors after visit of Jan. 18th '07.

Mixed School. There is still much talking and prompting amongst the scholars.

The teachers work hard, but they are overwhelmed by the numbers, both of children and classes they have to teach.

The progress is in many respects unsatisfactory. An additional assistant is needed, as has been pointed out repeatedly. Unless a decided improvement is found at the next visit, the school will be reported as inefficient, and as not fulfilling Art. 10 of the Code for 1906.

Infant Class. The infants must not be compelled to stand on the benches.

W. Wenchcomb, Correspondent

- Feb. 25th Two scholars admitted to infant room.
Winifred and Ernest Giles.
- 27th Warned children about playing with school property when engaged with their practices.
- Mar 6th Sent an order to correspondent ^{Annie Parsons (broke pointer)} requisitioning school material.
- 8th Noticed several times this week the floor was anything but clean.
- 14th Mrs + Geo. Handlen's re-admitted (visitors).
Miss Winchcomb is unable to attend to her school duties owing to sickness.
15. The attendance this week has been very poor indeed. Coughs and colds seem to be quite an epidemic among the children.
- 18th Miss Winchcomb will be unable to attend school duties this week as she is suffering from an attack of Influenza.
- 27th School broke up for the Easter Holidays.
Parcels of Stationery delivered to school from friends Leeds.
- April 15th School re-opened. It was found necessary to prolong the holiday on account of the repairs not being completed.
Miss Hill commenced her duties to-day.
Three pupils admitted to Infant room.

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April 17th Mr. Bush the surveyor and acting architect to
G. L. C. visited school during the dinner hour
to inspect the work carried out by Mr. R. Payne.

19th The request of the Managers advising the infants
to play in the girls playground is very un-
satisfactory. The little ones frequently get knocked
down by accident during play, & sometimes
hurt. I would suggest that the managers
revert to the old arrangement.

26th The removal of stove for the convenience of a
concert before the weather becomes more settled
has obliged children and teachers to carry
on their work very often in a cold room.

Three infants left, and four admitted.
The lesson on the 'Primrose' completed.

28th Mr. Bush visited school again to inspect work
that was not finished at his previous visit.

May 17th I regret to report that no effective assistance
is received from Miss Hill's services. She is
unable to control even a few children put
under her charge.

School closed for Whitsun Holiday. Monday &
Tuesday.

May 31st The children by the name of Watts recently admitted are absent from school on account of an attack of Diphtheria.

June 7th The attendance of children has not been so good this week.

" 13th Visited the School.

Richard T. Curry.

Mr. Dolman was also present at this visit of inspection.

20th Visited this School examined Register & found same correct.

Wm. Hinder

The lesson on the arrangement of leaves completed.

24th Mr. Davis, S.A. officer visited school to take note of the attendance of several children.

25th The average attendance for year is 73.3 in Mixed room and 30.3 in Infant room.

July 1st The new school year commenced with 119 scholars on Register.

Parcel of Stationery received from Messrs Arnold & Son, Leeds.

" 8th The attendance very poor to-day owing to many children attending their Sunday School today.

Copy of H. M. J.'s Report for year ending
June 30th 1906-07.

Mixed School. Order and discipline
are fairly good, but many of the scholars
are listless and inattentive, and it should
be possible for the Master to be able
to leave the highest class occasionally,
and to feel sure that the children will
work honestly and strenuously even
though he is not standing over them.
The scholars show more intelligence
than in former years. They read well
and are receiving good instruction in
Arithmetic. Drawing is well taught
and Needlework is good.

Infant class. The infants are being
carefully taught and are making good
progress."

W. W. Winchcomb
Correspondent-

The attendance is very poor this week
owing to the inclement weather:

June 21st J. Basing punished for throwing stones up at
the ventilators.

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July 19th. The school broke up this afternoon for the summer holidays.

Sep. 2nd. Re-opened school after the harvest holidays. Two boys and four girls admitted to infant room.

5th. Lesson on the 'Mole' completed this week.

9th. Daisy, Mary Harding admitted to infant room.

Visited the school & examined the Register & found all correct.
H. Powell. 12.9.07.

Visited the school & found all correct.

H. Powell. 24.9.07.

Visited the school & found all correct H. Powell. 8.10.07.

Sep 30th. Three new scholars admitted to Mid. room.

Miss Hills services terminated to-day.

Oct 1st. Miss Annie L. Long the newly appointed certificated teacher commenced her duties to-day.

" 4th. Many children have complained of feeling sick and much of the absence of children from school is due to sickness and diarrhoea.

8th. Sent William Grey home as he was feeling so ill with sickness and pain.

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Oct.

Visited the school & examined the Register. Mr. Powell 18.10.07
which was correct.

14th Emma & Fred Bath admitted to Mixed Room

15th Two more admission to Mixed room (Hemmings)

17th Two more admissions to Mixed room (Williams)

21st M^{rs} King (Kear) + Capt. Powell desired to see me
in the playground privately. M^{rs} Bush called.

24th Capt Powell saw me in playground for a
consultation. Declined to have a discussion.
Asked Miss Winchcomb a second time about
working with M^{rs} Bush in infant room + met
with a second refusal.

Reported to Managers by letter that Miss
Winchcomb refuses to work with M^{rs} Bush
in the Infant room as she is a bad woman.

25th M^{rs} Bush absent from school with
leave to day to visit a dying relative.

29th Advised Miss Winchcomb to go home as
it was no use for her to remain at school if she
refused to perform the duties required of her.

Attended meeting of Four Managers. My letter not
considered. My authority for sending Miss W. home
discussed. Miss Winchcomb's behaviour ignored.

Nov 1st

Attendance poor on account of wet weather.

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- Nov. 6th Mr Pullinger, Director of Education visited school this morning & attended Managers' meeting in the Swelling-house.
- " 12 Willie Gibbs sent home again as he is not free from ringworm.
- " 18th Commenced afternoon meetings of school earlier to allow children living a long way off to reach home before dark.
- " 22nd Mr Corbett visited school after dismissal with reference to furnishing infant room with suitable desks, etc.
- " 25th Lionel Farmiloe admitted to infant room
- " 26th The attendance very poor to-day in consequence of very bad weather.
- " 27th I was unable to get to school ^{this morning} on account of the flooded roads near my residence, but able to attend this afternoon.

27th

I visited the school on this day: the attendance was very poor about 30 below the average but this was due to bad weather & floods: it is an exceptional case & I do not think the school sh^d. lose any ground in consequence of this.

M. Powell.

1907

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3rd Dec.

Visited the school.

H. Powell.

5th Dec.

Visited the school - only 71 children in the school - the average attendance being about 100. with 120 on the books.

but there are bad floods which prevent many children coming -

H. Powell

10th Dec.

Visit of Inspection.

S. Norris. }
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Mr. Dolman was also present at this visit of inspection.

18th

Received a supply of stationery. Best Rdms. etc. from Arnold & Low. Leeds.

17th

Mr. Davis. S.A.O. visited school with regard to irregular children.

20th

School broke up for the Christmas holidays

1908

Jan 6th

Reopened school with an attendance of 89 only out of a possible 120 on books.

" 7th

Mr. Davis S.A. officer visited school in respect of irregular children.

" 17th

A great improvement in attendance this week.

" 20th

Miss Long was unable to attend to her

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- Jan 16th school duties owing to a very swollen heel.
- " 21st Miss Long resumed her duties.
- " 23 Miss Long absent from school from cause previously mentioned:
- " 24th The attendance is not quite so good this week.
- " 27th Miss Long is unable to resume her school duties to day, she hopes to be able to come to-morrow.
- " 28th W. Davis S. A. O. visited school.
Miss Long resumed her duties this morning.
- Feb. 7th A considerable improvement has ^{been} made in spelling throughout the school.
Doris L. Giles admitted to Infant room.
- Feb 12th Visited the school, & was present during the Scripture Lesson, tested the Registers. Found all in good order
Henry J. King -
- " 17th Mr. O. Kimber visited school this morning for the purpose of Scripture inspection.
- " 18th W. Davis S. A. O. visited school.
- " 24th Edgar Kent broke a window in the dinner room and thirteen children made themselves late. Their names are recorded in the punishment book.
- " 25th I regret to report that the Master was absent from school, as he was suffering from a

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very severe cold, and was unable to resume his duties until the following Monday. Mar. 2nd

26th

Mr. Davis, S. T. Officer visited school.

Mar. 4th

Only 30 children present this morning out of a possible 120, owing to the very bad weather (^{deep snow}).

The children who came had wet feet. Allowed them to dry themselves before starting work. No registers were marked.

5th

Very poor attendance again to day.

6th

The Master unable to get to school owing to floods. Only 26 children were present. No registers marked.

9th

Mrs. Bush absent from school owing to a very bad influenza cold.

13th

The bad attendance of the children is due to so many suffering from cold & sore throats etc.

16th

Mrs. Bush resumed her school duties to-day.

23rd

Pane of glass blown out during gale on Sunday in S. E. window.

25th

very bad weather. No registers marked in Infant room only twelve present out of a possible 43. & only 47 out of a possible 78 in Mixed room.

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April 3rd There were two ^{pupils} admitted to Infant Room and one scholar left.

" 10th A very creditable improvement is made in Reading, writing and Spelling, but the Arith: is rather backward.

" 15th The school broke up for the Easter Holiday to re-open on next Monday week. April 27th

April 27th A supply of Bibles and Testaments, + a Map of the World shewing Brit Poss^{ns} in Red were introduced into the school today. Only a poor attendance at re-opening, on account of inclement weather.

Dictated
George B. Godson, S.M.
Nov 22nd 1908.

May 1st A supply of stationery and apparatus received from Messrs E. J. Arnold + Son, Leeds.

" 12th Miss Winchcomb absent from school through sickness.

" 25th The Plasticine introduced into the Infant room for the purpose of teaching modelling proves to be pleasing and instructive to the children.

29th The attendance this month has been the

best during the whole year. From last October to end of April it has been most discouraging, mostly owing to very bad weather and sickness. The progress of the children has in consequence suffered.

We visited the school - Took the registers & found them correct -

We ascertained the numbers in the different standards, & are astonished at the the different no^s of children the various teachers are instructing, and we strongly recommend that if possible, this should be altered at the end of the ^{school} year.

Mr. Brighton reported that Annie Ponting had a bad influence on the other scholars, & he would be glad to see her out of the school.

We recommended the immediate removal of the stores for the summer months.

We found a door from playground to lobby broken, but the school master stated he could not find out how it had occurred.

H. D. South

L. Hinton

Jan 4th

- June 8th The school was closed for Whit-Monday.
 " 9th Attended the Managers' Meeting.
 " 12th Am pleased to report that the attendance is much improved lately.
 " 17th Mr Davis school attendance officer visited school.
 " 25th Visit of Inspection.

W A Dolman.

- " 27th Mr S. Norris was also present at this visit of inspection.
 " 30 The end of school year. The average attendance for year in Mixed Room is 70, + in infant room is 35. making a total of 105.

- July 1st New school year commenced. Thirteen infants were transferred to large room.
 " 2 The needlework Demonstration Frame was broken during the dinner hour.
 " 13th Requisitioned the prizes for the ten children entitled to them according to the Regulations.
 " 15th Mr Davis. S.A. officer visited school with regard to irregular children.
 " 17th A very wet day and only a very poor attendance the average for the week is only 78.6.
 " 24th The school broke up for the summer holidays.
 vacation
 Aug 31st School re-opened after the holidays.

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Sept. 2nd

Miss Winchcomb away from school, ^{for the remainder of the week} owing to the death of her aunt.

4th

The weather has been very inclement this week and the attendance has suffered in consequence. No Register was marked when attendance was bad.

8th

Mr. Davis visited school. Mrs. Brook was absent this afternoon with leave.

15th

S.A. officer attended Managers' Meeting called in respect of bad attendance of Charlotte Keen.

18th

Was a little late at my duties the last three days.

22nd

Harry George admitted to Infant room.

28th

Dennis Timms admitted to " "

Oct 9th

The school is closed to day ^{for a week} for repairs, ~~and~~ cleaning, colouring + painting.

19th

Re-opened school to-day.

23rd

Admitted two children this week.

27th

Very wet morning - only eleven infants present. No register marked in consequence of poor attendance in the infant room.

28th

Commenced afternoon meeting at 1 o'clock to allow the room to be prepared for a cinematograph entertainment.

Nov 3rd

Dr. Shelton visited school, ^{at 10.15 am} and examined 23 children in accordance with the Act for the Medical Inspection of Children.

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- Nov. 9th A cupboard 6' long + 4 ft broad delivered (on Sat. 7th) from Messrs Wake + Dean of Yatton near Bristol.
- " 17th Commenced afternoon meetings of school at 1 o'clock to enable children living a long way off to get home before dark.
- " 24th Mr. Davis, S. A. O. visited school with reference to absentees.
- 30th Chas. Ball admitted to Infant Room.
- Dec. 4th Four parcels of stationery received from Messrs. Arnold & Son, Leeds. ~~and~~ A new Reading Bk. (Rural Rdr) for use in upper division introduced.
- " 7th Mr. Davis S. A. officer visited school (attendance).
- 8 Miss Long absent from school owing to a sore throat; some slight modifications in lessons will be made in consequence.
- 10th 14th Only eleven present ^{in school} today ^(Wet) No registers marked in Inf Room.
- 14th Miss Long resumed her school duties.
- 23rd The school broke up for the Xmas holidays to re-open next Monday week.
- Jan 4th School re-opened with only a moderate attendance.
- " 7th The children in both rooms appear to be ^{free} from sore places on their faces and arms.

Jan. 13th '04. I visited the Schools today.
 Heard the Reports, called & found
 some correct. Scriptures learn in progress.
 All good. 70 Children present in mixed school
 33 Infants present.

Mr. Hurst

Jan. 29th Sickness has been very prevalent this
 month, the attendance has consequently been poor.

Feb. 5th In my review of the work I am pleased
 to report that on the whole fairly good
 progress is being made. Spelling
 and Arithmetic are the weakest subjects.

Feb. 9th Attended a Managers' Meeting this
 morning. Four Managers were present.