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1879.

31. Oct. Examined Standard III in dictation, and found the spelling well done. The writing in several cases was not good.

7. Nov. Standards IV. V. VI. have had examination in arithmetic. Hurst, Wilson, and Brockett got their sums wrong. They will require a good deal of working to bring them up to the Standard.

14. Nov. Standard III. exercised in Dictation. This Standard will require considerable exercise to make the boys sure.

21. Nov. The master absent through illness from Wednesday the 19th.

28. Nov. Master absent through illness this week. School carried on by the Assistant.

Dec^r. 5. Master commenced duty on Monday 1st Dec^r.

Dec^r. 12. The school has been working steadily.

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Dec^r 19. Stand: III examined in notation.
 Guy. Shaw. Drayor failed to do it. Many
 more imperfect. All want practice.

Dec^r 24. Broke up for the holidays. Not many
 boys present this week.

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Jan: 16. Commenced the New Year this week with a
 good number of Scholars.

Jan: 23. Examined the 1st and 2nd Standard
 Writing. Dictation and Arithmetic.
 They do their work well.

Jan: 30. Standards IV. V. have had extra work
 in Arithmetic. Wilson and Hurst in
 Stand. V. are very imperfect.

Feb: 6. Examined Stands IV. V. VI in their Geography.
 Most of the boys answered readily & intelligently.

Feb: 13. Heard the Assistant examine Stands II. III
 in their Geography. All knew it very well.

- Feb: 20. Time Table not adhered to strictly. The subjects in which the boys are most deficient have been taken most.
- Feb: 27. Analysis and parsing in Stands: V. VI. are done slowly. Wilson inaccurate in Arithmetic.
- March 5. Stands: III. IV. have improved in Arithmetic. They appear to understand the problems better.
- March 12. Standard III. has had examinations each day in Arithmetic and dictation. Most of them do the work neatly.
- March 19. Stands: IV. V. VI. have been examined in Geography, Grammar, and Analysis. Most of the boys know these subjects, excepting the irregular ones.
- March 25. To-morrow being Good Friday, the week closes to-day, Thursday. Kuret and Wilson still imperfect in Arithmetic.
- April 2. Many boys in the Upper Standards are away. This is a busy time of year for farmers, and they are assisting in field work.

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- April 9. All the Standards have been preparing for the examination.
- April 16. A holiday was given on Wednesday in consequence of the confirmation. The Schools were required by the Candidates.
- April 20. All Standards preparing for the examination.
- April 29. The Government examination took place to day. A holiday was given on the 30th.
- May 8. A week's holiday given in lieu of the week usually given at Easter.
- May 14. The Standards have been rearranged this week and the work for the ensuing school year commenced in earnest.
- May 21. A good week's work has been done. All the Standards appear to work with intelligence.

May. 28. Bannister a boy from Searisbrick has been absent since the examination, on inquiry it is found he has left and intends going to the Pinfold School Searisbrick.

June. 4. Stand VII can work sums in Long division pretty accurately.

June 11. Standards IV. V. VI. get up and answer questions in the Geography of Europe intelligently.

June. 18. Standard I. will want a great deal of laborious, and continuous work to get it anything like up to the mark.

June. 25. Stand: III. have been exercised in Compound Addition. They are slow in answering in the Tables. Much drilling will be required to make them quick.

July. 1. Broke up to day for the holidays. The week has been a broken one. Monday the boys went to take part in The Centenary, at Ormskirk.

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Aug: 2nd. Commenced the 2nd half Year on the Second
 Owing to the Anniversary Club there were no
 children in Attendance on Monday.

Aug: 8. There has been a fuller Attendance this
 week, but Many boys are absent, employed
 in field work.

Aug: 15. Standard III. must have more attention
 paid to their Spelling and Dictation. Two
 or three are bad. Members in the Lower
 Standards increasing.

Aug: 21. Stand: IV. V. VI. are getting on with their
 Arithmetic.

Aug. 28. Tuesday 24th was the District Examination.
 There was half a holiday. Many of the older
 boys are away helping in the harvest.

Sept: 3. The School treat took place at the Rectory
 on Tuesday last. There was a holiday.
 Standard VII. must have more attention in
 Spelling

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Sept^r: 10. Standard III. have commenced Compound Subtraction. Peter Guy, Peter Wilson, Mary Knight James Ditter. will require a vast amount of application in order to do it correctly.

Sept^r: 17. The week has been rough, and wet, which has injured with the regular progress.

Report of Halsall School 1880. by J. M.
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The master deserves much praise for the very satisfactory condition of this School. Both elementary and Class Subjects have been well taught, and the boys have passed on the whole a good examination. The compositions of the Fifth Standard lacks clearness of expression, and also punctuation, and the Standard is weak in Arithmetic.

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Edward Jones Assistant Teacher.

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24. Sep. Standard V. has attended hitherto irregularly. They are consequently behind with Arithmetic.

1. Oct^{br}. Standard III has been tried to work Lums on paper. Many make bad figures. This Stand. will require a good deal of working.

8. Oct^{br}. Standards I. II. are going on very nicely. There are a few boys careless in spelling. especially John Skelton. Fitzgerald.

15. Oct^{br}. Stands II. V. VI. were examined in spelling. All did well except Shaw. and Holcomb. These Standards are all progressing.

22 Oct^{br}. Many boys are absent this week. The attendance this year is worse than it has been for three years. Many boys are absent who have not passed Stand. III. The attendance officer has been informed but he has not been any good in enforcing attendance.

Oct. 29. This week has been very wet and not more than half the boys have been present. This has interfered with the usual routine of the school.

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- 5 Nov^{br}. Many boys are still absent. Field work is very plentiful still. A good number will fail to qualify by attendances for examination.
- 12 Nov^{br}. The numbers in the lower Standards are still low. Not one half the number in these Standards will be presented as was last year.
- 19 Nov^{br}. The Composition in Stand: V & VI must have more attention. It is done carelessly, and without attention to stops.
- 26 Nov^{br}. Stand: VII was examined in dictation this week. The Spelling was bad and the writing slovenly. John Mayor had a great number of mistakes.
- Dec: 3. Many boys have been away this week. but the average is higher than for some weeks previous.
- Dec: 10. Stand: III. work the problems in Arithmetic intelligently. Most of them read intelligently. Stand: IV & V must have more attention in Geography. Many are lazy and careless.

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Dec^{br} 14. Examined Stand V. in arithmetic. R^d Mawdsley and James Waterhouse are very backward and stupid. Both failed.

Dec^{br} 22. Broke up to day for the Christmas holidays. The numbers in attendance small.

Jan^{ry} 1st 1881. 164
Commenced the New Year with very few boys. Average 69.

Jan^{ry} 2nd. Frosty weather has set in. and the numbers in attendance less. 65.2.

Jan^{ry} 28. Exceedingly severe weather still continues and the numbers are gone down. Average 45.0. The school has been much hindered by this weather.

Feb^{ry} 4. The weather has been a little warmer and there has been a better attendance. Average 74.

Feb^{ry} 11. The numbers higher this week, and there has been more work done. The last time has had an injurious effect on the school.

Feb: 18.

Due to lost time occasioned by the late severe weather the school is behind with work. Those subjects which are ~~imperfectly~~ known have been attended to more particularly. Consequently the Time Table has not been exactly followed.

Feb: 25.

Standard III. has been worked in Arithmetic and Dictation. Standards I. II. do their work creditably.

March 4.

Stand VI. has had special attention in Arithmetic. Henry Kirby has been irregular in attendance so that he is backward in it.

March 11.

All the Standards appear to work more neatly and carefully.

March 18.

Standard III. has had problems set them this week. Many never attempt them.

March 25.

Standards I. II. do their Arithmetic fairly. Composition in these Standards is done thoughtlessly by many.

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- April 1. The land is getting in order for cultivation and many boys are absent helping in the fields, which diminishes their ~~chance~~ of passing at the examination.
- April 8. More boys are absent this week. The numbers in the Upper Standards being few. Six or seven boys have been absent in Stand: III. which ought not to be.
- April 14. Closed School to day until Monday. Friday being Good Friday. Many boys in the Upper Standards are absent, and have been for several weeks.
- April 22. All Standards exercised in examination Subjects.

26. April 1881.

Class Subjects for next yr
Gram & Geo IV. & V. VI. as one class.

C. W. Hitchkins

- 13 May. A good number of boys from the Girls School has been admitted this week. They can all say their letters but cannot do addition.
- 20 May. All the Standards have ~~started~~ commenced their New Subjects. and have worked well at them.
- 27 May. Standards III. & IV. have been learning tables, and exercised in sums bearing on them.
- 3 June. Standards V. & VI. have made good progress in their New Subjects. Many boys absent in these Standards.
- 10 June. Stand: II has been more specially exercised in mental work, and in Tables Money.
- 17 June. Stand II go through their Geography Lesson most answer intelligently.

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- June 24. Numbers considerably reduced in the upper Stand: work being abundant in the fields.
- June: 30. School broke up for Midsummer holidays.
- Augst: 15. Commenced the 2nd half year. on Monday the day of opening there were no boys owing to the anniversary of the Bridge Club. One half the boys absent this week.
- Augst: 22. Stand III. must be pushed on with the Geography. Spelling in this Standard is very bad. John Hestath Peter Wilson, W^m Ayton the worst.
- Aug: 19. Average low this week in consequence of the wet day. Stand: IV. wants more attention in Reading and Arithmetic.
- Aug: 26. Eleven Boys have left in V and VI Standards. Others are away assisting in the fields. The Lower Standards: are going on favourably under the assistant Master.

A. M. Inspector's Report on this School for 1881. 295

Boys' School. The Boys are orderly, and have passed a very fair examination. The work of the younger children is good and the class subjects and also the penmanship generally deserve praise. The examination Schedule shows a few weak points in the instruction. A blank map of England is wanted.

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Edward Jones Assistant Teacher.

T B H Blundell

1881.

Sept^{br}: 2. Attendance has been better this week.

Stand: III has had more attention to spelling which they do more correctly. Edward Jones crossed to be Assistant Master to day.

Sept^{br}: 9. Samuel Chester Bartington commenced his duties as assistant Master on Monday 3rd Sept^{br}. The Annual tea party given to the Scholars took place at the Rectory on Monday.

Sept^{br}: 16. Ten Boys in Stand: VI have left. There are now only two in it. Stands: I-II appear to be going on smoothly under the New Teacher.

Sept^{br}: 23. Stand: III. want special attention paid to dictation and spelling. John Arsketh especially bad.

Sept^{br}: 30. Examined Stand I. There are some boys in this Standard very backward, and it will require great efforts and skill to bring them up to the examination standards.

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- Oct^{br} 6. Measles have commenced to affect the Boys in School. consequently many have been absent. Tomorrow Friday there is a holiday on account of the tea party given to the scholars by the Marquis de Caillaux.
- Oct^{br} 14. More Boys absent this week through Measles. which have assumed quite an epidemic. The progress of the School has thus been much impeded.
- Oct^{br} 19. Very few Boys in attendance through Measles. The classes are so few in number that it has been deemed prudent to close the school until next Monday week.
- Nov: 4. Opened School after being closed through Measles. The numbers are slightly larger, but more than one half are absent.
- Nov: 11. More have attended this week. Many boys are still away. The School not progressing satisfactorily.

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Nov. 18. The School beginning to assume its usual numbers. It will require great effort to recover lost time.

Nov. 25. Standard IV. V. VI. have had Arithmetical test-cards. The irregulars in each showed themselves. Robert Braid and a few others will require vast attention.

Dec. 2nd. Lower Standards were examined in Arithmetic. Nearly the whole failed in writing down numbers. They are very little better than when the late assistant left.

Dec. 9. More attention has been paid to the lower stands: and they can write down numbers better, but still they are bad.

Dec. 16. Stand: II was examined in Spelling all failed except five. These boys have made no progress since the late assistant left.

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Dec: 22. Broke up to day for the Christmas holidays.
1882.

Jan: 19th. Commenced the New Year on Monday. There were many away. Chester Parkington has not returned to his duties, and nothing has been heard of him. His place has been supplied temporarily by two paid Monitors.

Jan: 20. Nothing further has been heard as to the cause of S. C. Parkington's absence. Steps will be taken to procure an assistant in his place. The paid Monitors are working well.

Jan: 27. A fresh assistant to supply S. C. Parkington's place, has been appointed. He commenced to day. His name is Edgar Edwards.

1st March. 1882.

Do visit without notice
An entry should be made every
week in the log book.

W. H. H. H.

1882.

3rd March. The Lower Standards I. II. have much improved in their Subjects under the New Assistant. Stand: V. had sums to work in Arithmetic, and many failed through carelessness.

10th March. Heard Standards I. II. read. These Standards have improved greatly under the teaching of the assistant Master. Standards III. and IV. improved in spelling.

17th March. The boys in Stand: V. do their Arithmetic nicely. Mayor & Shaw in this Standard are dullards. They get every sum wrong.

24th March. Stands III. IV. have been exercised in Grammar this week. They do their Arithmetic fairly.

31st March. Standards III. IV. V. VI. have had examinations in their old lessons. The boys who have been irregular in attendance are easily detected.