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up to the present time, have left today to fill similar posts in Lancaster. Up to the present time not a single application to fill their places has been made. There is every probability of a repetition of last year's dilemma.

Report of H. M. J. for the year ended 31st March 1900.

Mixed School. "During last year the School has been entirely reorganised. The new arrangements have not been in existence long enough for their full effects to show themselves at the final visit to the School, but the girls were evidently benefiting by the change".

Infants' Class. The Class has made decided improvement under its new Teacher, both in discipline and instruction. The children are in very fair order, and making good progress. The singing by note is not yet successfully taught.

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2nd Nov:
Xth: ~~Oct~~:

The School commenced work after the Autumn holidays last Monday.

Owing to failure in obtaining assistants the holidays were extended two weeks beyond the proper time. Miss Manson

The New assistant commenced her duties on Thursday.

9th Nov:
~~Oct~~ ^{Nov}:

The Assistant Mr W: Myles was compelled to go home through illness. He appears to have taken a severe cold, and was suffering from pains in the face. He returned to work on Friday, after an absence of one day.

16th Nov:

Miss Manson, the New Assistant, is working Stands I. II. well. By Christmas there will be a considerable improvement in their attainments. The former assistant must have relaxed in her efforts to get them forward.

23. Nov.

The Infants are in need of an experienced Teacher. The provisional Teacher is unable keep order. The mistress engaged for this department cannot commence work for another week.

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30. Nov:

Stand II wants much practice in writing spelling and dictation. Writing and Spelling in many instances are very badly done. The New Infant Mistress commenced work on Monday 26th: From present experience she seems earnest in work, and is getting the Infants in better order.

7. Dec:

Standes III. II. answer well in Geography. They have also improved in Reading and Writing since they were examined. Mr. Myles is working well with them.

14. Dec:

Stand: I. This Standard is improving in Reading rapidly. This and Stand: II. are showing good results from Miss Manson's care and attention. Miss Hill is also working indefatigably with the Infants.

21 Dec

Examined Registers W. H. Milner, Adate.

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School broke up for Christmas Holidays, and commence work on 7th January 7th 1901.

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11 Jan:

School opened on Monday 7th: Many Infants absent, owing to cold weather. Attendance of the rest good Av 103.

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- 18 Jan: Stand II. has improved in Arithmetic but many are uncertain in their Rotation. Spelling also needs much attention. They have had more 'Word Building' than Spelling from the late Teacher.
- 25 . This Stand (I). is being worked up nicely by Miss Hanson. The children Read, and do Arithmetic much better.
- 1 Feb: The Arithmetic, and Writing in Stands: III. IV are much improved. These Stands also know their Geography well.
- 8 Feb: The attendance of the Infants is very bad, accounted for through sickness long distances, and bad weather. The care, patience, and energy of Miss Hill will not show to the best advantage under such conditions.
- 15 Feb: Examined Stand II: Rotation was shaky. An improvement in the figures and accuracy of the Sums. Spelling was bad. Reading is fair, and most of the children passed. Still this Stand, wants a vast amount of work to get it up

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to the Mark. This Hand: must have been neglected by the late Teacher.

22: Feb. Attendance in lower Standards is bad. Many are absent through sickness.

1. March The attendance throughout the School has been bad this week. Much sickness exists in the neighbourhood. Lessons have not been given according to Time Table.

8. March The Average is very low owing to sickness - colds, sore throats.

11 March Examined registers W. H. Milner. Curate.

15 March. Average has improved this week. This is owing to improvement in weather. Two or three portions of glass out of the skylight fell on the floor of the Glass Room. No one was hurt.

22nd Mar. Visit under Act 84 (6) F. Whitely Sub Inspector

The above named came into School at 9. A.M. and had not finished his exam: at 5 P.M. He has to come again to examine the Infants. It has been the most inquisitorial exam: during my 47 years of experience of H.M. Inspectors.

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- 4 April: Commenced the Easter Holiday this afternoon.
Reopen on 15th April.
- 19 " Attendance very irregular in Upper Stands.
This militates against rapid progress.
- 26 " Reading improving in Stands: III - II.
Boys read better than girls, who should be made to read in a louder and more lively tone of voice.
- 3 May. Attendance in upper Stands: still bad.
Infants under the Infant Mistress are very happy and are working nicely.
10. May. Girls in Stand: V. read badly. They speak in whispers, and very indistinct. Up to the present they have not got out of their bad habit.
- 17 " Attendance better in Stands: VI - VII. Teachers are working energetically.
- 24 " Scripture exam: on Wednesday. Holiday.
Stand I. read fairly well - much better than this time last year.
- 9 June. The Infant Mistress is working well with the Infants. Watched them going through their exercises.

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7 June

Girls in Stand V. read badly. They speak very indistinctly and in quite a whisper. It will be a difficult matter to cure them of the bad habit.

14 June

Attendance in I. V. irregular. Boys, not legally entitled to be absent, are staying at home to assist parents in the field, and shop.

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Examined different Standards: on their three months work.

Report of Inspector on Halsall mixed School for the School year, ended 31 March 1901.

Mixed. "The order is satisfactory and good progress has been made in the Upper Standards, but the children in the lower Standards should be trained to take greater interest in their work, and so make the teaching more effective".

Infant Class. "At the first visit the efficiency was very fair; at the second visit the New Mistress had not had time to effect any material change".

Remarks. The teachers, E. R. C. Manson and A. Hill do not appear to be engaged under written agreements. I am to

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refer you to Article 71. of the Code.
The Infant department should be
sufficiently equipped with desks and
apparatus.

28 June. Examined Stand: I. all the other Stands
and Infants have been working steadily.

2 July. The School "Broke up" for the midsummer
holidays. It will reopen on 6th July.

Aug. 9 Reopened on Tuesday. Attendance for the
first week very fair.

" 16 The School generally is in a more satis-
factory state than this time last year.

23. The girls in Stands V. V. VI want great attention.
They speak indistinctly, and are scarcely fluent.

Aug 23 Examined Registers & found correct W. H. Mulvaney.

21. June. 1901. Present Staff of Teachers.

W^m Jones: Certif: 1st Class.

W^m Myers: Assistant: Art: 50 - 57.

E. R. C. Mansion " " 68.

A. Hill " " 68.

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- Aug 30. Stand V. girls are very dull in Arithmetic. They hesitate too long in their mental work. They have not pulled through their training in the lowest standards.
- Sep 5: 6th Hand: Stand: II read. This stand: is improving nicely in this subject.
- Sep: 13. Stand: I. writes down numbers correctly as far as hundreds. The Reading is also improving.
- Sep: 20. Stand: V. girls are very faulty in Arithmetic. Although a vast amount of time has been spent on them, the majority is very dull and stupid. Holiday. Choir treat.
- Sep: 27. Infants are working steadily. The first class are making progress with their reading (phonetic).
- Oct: 3. School dissolved for a fortnight to enable the older boys to assist in getting in the potato harvest. Reopen on the 21st.
Oct 20.

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1 Nov^{br}

My connection with this School in my official capacity as Head Teacher ended this afternoon, after a service of nearly forty seven years.

4th Nov.

J. Thomas Arthur Brook, commenced duty as Head Master of this school.

8th Nov.

Worked has progressed fairly well during the week but naturally I have had to some what neglect my own class whilst looking round at the general working of the School. It is impossible to strictly adhere to the Time Table with only one teacher of needlework.

School will commence at 1. p.m. and close at 3.30 p.m. during the winter.

12th Nov.

Stormy morning. Only 50 children present.

Registers not marked. Registers marked in afternoon with only 80 present.

14 Nov

Received one load of coal.

15 Nov.

Have commenced to examine the Standards. I so have not kept to Time Table.

Today I sent a return to the attendance officer.

- Nov 18th Received parcel of goods from Philip's. Invoice £4.10.5
- Nov 19th Stormy morning. Half children away but must mark registers to help to complete Nov for the year.
- Nov 25th Received two loads of coal.
- 26th Examined Infants in Arithmetic & Writing.
- 29th Completed examination of the Infants.
- Then has been a good attendance this week, the average being the highest since last June.
- Dec: 3rd Mr. Myles, the assistant master was absent all day through indisposition. St III + IV were taken along with the First Class and the Time Table was not strictly adhered to.
- Dec: 5th About 15 boys are absent today having accompanied the keepers with the Hall shooting party.
- Dec 6th Adverts^{rs} have appeared in the scholastic papers for an assistant mistress for this school, but as yet there have been few if any suitable applicants.
- Dec: 13th I have this week submitted to S.M.S. new Time Tables for the Upper & Infant Depart.
- Mr. H. S.M.S. sent a circular letter to the Infant Teacher asking for certain statistics relative to Infant Schools.

Dec 16th The Rector called at School this morning and authorized me to interview Miss Agnes MacCallum of Greenock who has applied for the post of Asst in this school.

Today the ground is covered with snow and the attendance has suffered much over 60 children being absent.

Dec 17th I have tested the Registers & found them correct - J. W. Dunn

Dec: 20th Miss Agnes MacCallum of 40 Bristane St. Greenock an applicant for the vacant assistantship in this school has to-day been to look at the place and to be interviewed.

Dec 24th The school closed today for the Christmas Holidays which will be curtailed on account of the length of the Autumn Holiday. Mr Myles ceased duty as Asst Art St. Received one load of coal + $\frac{1}{2}$ a load last Friday.

Christmas Holiday.

- Jan 2nd Opened school this morning with about 80 children absent. The newly appointed teacher cannot commence duty until Monday the 6th inst and Miss Hill is absent this morning with permission.
- Received $\frac{1}{2}$ in stamps from E. W. Lyons the relieving officer as a fee for making out the report on the two boarded out children - W^m & Mary Pitter - Both the former spent half a day in school loosening the small dividing shutter. (1 labourer).
- Jan 6th Miss MacCallum certificated untrained assistant, commenced duty in the school today.
- Jan 7th The Rector called at school today and examined the original testimonials of Miss MacCallum. Rec^d one load coal.
- Jan 10th The percentage of attendance this week is the best for the year and would have been much better but for today's wretched weather. (92 per cent)
- Jan. 15th Received load of coal. For second time load put in road instead of being taken Mrs' park.

Jan. 17th The average attendance has still further improved in the upper room being 94 p.c. The lower Standard boys have done especially well e.g. St I No absent mark. St II one boy absent poorly 2 days. St III one boy absent half a day. St IV No absent mark.

Standard 5 today all failed to get a proportion sum right, the mistake arising with only one exception from being unable to reduce £67-10 to pence.

Jan. 27th A thick snow. Only 70 per cent present. Rec^d a load of coal.

Jan. 28th Another bad morning 80% present.
Jan. 31st Have been obliged to put Jwackers & Jan Abram into St IV for Arithmetic as they failed to do correctly St V sums through not understanding St IV work. There are several more in St V nearly as bad.

Feb. 3rd There is much sickness amongst the children - chiefly bad colds. Rec^d One load of coal, the housing of which has to be done by the boys.

Feb. 4th The Diocesan Organising Inspector visited School this morning. I had not received notice of his visit. He devoted his attention chiefly to the Infant Room. He went away at noon saying he was coming again next day.

Feb 5th The Organiser again paid a visit arriving 8:45 and staying till noon. He examined St. I to IV in oral work and also looked over the exercise & copy books. He promised to send me his criticisms in writing.

Feb 7th There are several children away ill. The Infants have attended well & average 62 for the week (90%)

Feb. 10th A deep snow covers the ground. Only 58 per cent. of the children present. Registers marked as usual.

Feb. 11th Shrove Tuesday afternoon Holiday.

12th Ash Wednesday - Registers in Upper Room marked at 9 a.m. Scripture Lesson & play time omitted. Children who wished to do so went to Church at 11 a.m.

W. O.

Feb. 12th Rec^d Load of Coal.

Ask the joiner, with man, spent the afternoon in fixing door in the partition.

Feb. 21 Rec^d Load of Coal. Miss Reads St. I. & Sewing Material from Phila.

There are many children ill. otherwise attendance good. Upper Room 92 per cent. Inf^{ts} only 77 %
St. V girls do arithmetic very badly.

Feb. 28th Received "Map of Australia." "Chq for Salaries" Col.

March 7th Many children away with severe cold.
Received Form IX &c. from the Rector.

March: 11th Visit without Notice of
J. B. Les Ezy M.M.D & Mr. Berry (Lab).

March: 17 Examined St. IV

" 18 Examined St. II

Infant Room overcrowded. Had to bring out some of the newest scholars & put them with a St. VI girl in my room.

March 21 Examined the Registers & found correct

W. H. Milner Curate.

March 27 (Closed for Easter (Mar. 27 to Apr. 8th).

Form 9 completed, tested & posted.

April 8th Commenced New Year. Children moved into new Classes. Infants admitted - many much over age.

Ap. 14th About ten of the Standard I children brought out of the Infant Room last week ^{are} in a very backward state.

Received the scheme of work for 1902-3 from Mr. Isles - approved. (Copy on next page)

Ap. 18th Three boys have been staying away & set potatoes. Have sent names to attendance officer.

Ap. 23rd Mr. Fundleffe, Attendance Officer, called today.

Ap. 30th Application by Alice Threlfall for Certificate of attendance for last 5 years. Could not find registers of girls for earlier than 1898.

May 1st Two children of George Charles of Barton were noticed by teachers to have ringworms on the head. I sent them home with a note telling the mother to take them to a doctor.

May 2nd Received Goods from Phillips
 Lou & Stephen

Apr. 14th
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Scheme of Work for Standards

Approved by
J.C. Sch. Ex. 11/11/01

	Class 3. St: I + II	Class 2. St: III + IV	Class 1. St: V + upwards
Eng Reading	Blackies No 2 Geog Reader Nelson's Royal No 1 Chamber's Fluent Reader (1 + 2)	Nelson's Geog Read of England The Graphic Obj Reader (III) Longmans New Reader (IV)	Chamber's Expressive Reader Nelson's Royal Atlas Reader
History	Stories as per Blackies No 1. Reader	Longmans Stories from General English History	The Tudor Period as per Chamber's N.S. Reader.
Recitation	One short poem each term.	Edinburgh after Hadden (Aylton) with full historical story	To Read Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" + commit to memory the "Trial Scene"
Grammar	Subjects + Predicate, Formation + Analysis from simple Sentences.	Subjects, Preds + Objects with simple enlargements Simple Parsing.	Analysis of complex Sentences Parsing
Writing	Composition throughout the school. Dictation + Copy Books		Transcription
Geog.	Geog terms + general knowledge by means of Object Lessons.	England + Wales.	Scotland, Ireland India British Africa
Lesson	Simple lessons on Plants + Animals. A short course on the simple forms of Matter	Lessons on minerals + manufactures of England; on local plant and animal life. Some lessons on the general properties of matter.	Lessons on chief processes in Agriculture Solid Liquid + Gases Effect of Heat. Thermometer Barometer &c.
Arith	In Seven Standards as per Scheme "A"		
Singing	In Two Groups — Tonic Sol fa.		
Needle work.	For Girls as per Appendix III		
Drawing	Freehand + Ruler Drawing on slates + paper, and free arm drawing on boards of simple forms + easy objects	Freehand + free arm drawing of common forms + objects Ruler work St: III Scale Drawing St: IV	Freehand + free arm drawing of designs, objects + models. Memory Drawing Geometrical Drawing
Physical Training	As per "Model Course"		