

1844.

Month of September.

21st The Master received a letter this morning of which the following is a 'Copy': -

Rural Sanitary Authority,
Crediton.

19th September 1844.

Sir / I am directed by this Sanitary Authority to inform you, that in consequence of the prevalence of Scarlet fever, at Norton, and other adjacent places in Newton Saint Cyres, the Medical Officer of Health recommends that no children from the north side of the line of Railway should, for the present, be allowed to attend your Elementary Schools, and the Board therefore trust the necessary steps will be taken for giving immediate effect to the above recommendation.

Sep 27
1878

The Following is the Weekly
Table ending the 27th Sept. 143

Total Attendances	378
No. of the last Year	183
Total No. of times School has been open 10	
Average attendance	37.8
No. on the Register	46
Total Fees received	6.8
<u>Increase of Attendances for</u> week compared with last Year	195

Sep 30

Mr Butt attended the School
and examined the Books and
Accounts this morning.

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William and John Burnett
were withdrawn from the School
on Friday last the 27th Inst.
They have left the Parish.

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A fair attendance this morning:-
32 boys in good time.

1878

Dec^r 2nd

of broken chilblains on their feet. Registers checked }
 Morning 64 Afternoon 66 by W. B. A. }

" 3rd

" 66 " 66

" 4th

" 66 " 66

" 5th

" 60 " 60

" 6th" 65 " 65 Average 64.4

Transferred one Boy to the Boy's School. The attention of the girls taken from their lessons for full a quarter of an hour, by the boys throwing a ball at the Girl's School windows. One pane of glass is cracked in consequence.

Dec^r 9th

Morning 50 Afternoon 51

" 10th

" 52 " 52

" 11th

" 52 " 52

" 12th

" 50 " 51

" 13th" 52 " 52 Average 54.4

Transferred one Boy to the Boy's School. The attendance lower this week owing to the severity of the weather. The School work going on as usual during the week.

Dec^r 16th

Morning 15 Afternoon 15 The roads very slippery

" 17th

" 25 " 26

" 18th

" 26 " 26

" 19th" 27 " 27 Average 23.3

Closed School for the Christmas Vacation 18th 19th
 A very poor School during the week owing to the
 severity of the weather. As it is my last week
 in the Newton St. Cyres Girls Board School,
 I have taken an Inventory of Books, Slates, &
 the other School Apparatus & entered it fully in
 the Stock & Stores account Book. The towels,
 dusters, Chalk, Slate Pencils & Registers are
 safely placed in the Desk. This has been done
 preparatory to giving up the Keys to Mr. J. Butt
 as my engagements terminate December 25th /78
 with the Newton St. Cyres School Board.

Jan. 6th

1879 Sarah Ann Rowe entered on
 her duties as Mistress of the Girls
 and Infant Bd. School of Newton St.
 Cyres.

	<u>Morning</u>		<u>Afternoon</u>	
	44		43	
7 th	22			11 A week days
8 th	26			25
9 th	30			29
10 th	25			24 Average 29.7

Owing to the inclemency of the weather
 the attendance during the week has been

Closed School for the Christmas Vacation 18th 19th

Copy of a resolution passed at a meeting of the
School Board held December the 15th 1878

On the motion of Mr. Rew seconded by Mr. Ellis
it was unanimously resolved that Religious
Instruction be given to the children on opening the
Schools in the morning by reading and explaining
the scriptures the time devoted to this subject to
be left to the discretion of the Teachers

On no occasion must
it interfere with the time required by the Code for
Secular Education

It was also resolved that the
Schools be kept open until 12-30 P.M. to give time
for this Instruction

J. W. Butt

Clerk to the Board

The attendance during the week has been

26 Aug. 7th
" 8th
1879

Morning 62 Afternoon 60.

" 59 " 58 Average 59.6

Honor Williams has left school, being over 13 years of age. Readmitted Ann Adams. Special lessons in Dictation to Standards III & IV

Copy of

Summary of the Inspector's Report

Received July 16th 1879.

"This school has given evidence of very careful work during the past year. Many of the children have been presented in standards below those usually answering to their age; but the whole of their work has been well done. Singing is very fair. Under Article 19(c) Grammar was taken by 30 Girls with 29 passes; and Needlework by 42 Girls with 38 passes."

J. W. Butt

Clerk

Miss Sarah Ann Rowe

2nd year 3rd Division Schoolmistress

1879

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Aug. 11th Morning 67 Afternoon 65

" 12th " 67 " 66

" 13th " 62 " 59

" 14th " 63 " 62

" 15th " 56 " 52 Average 61.9

Readmitted Bessie & Ellen Harding. Number on the registers 81. School work as usual...

Aug. 18th Morning 55 Afternoon 51

" 19th " 54 " 55

" 20th " 63 " 62

" 21st " 61 " 59

" 22nd " 56 " 47 Average 56.3

Several children are absent; many are kept at home to take care of younger children. The infants attend very fairly. Gave an especial lesson in arithmetic to standard II. School work as usual.

Aug 25th Morning 58 Afternoon 55

" 26th " 59 " 63

" 27th " 56 " 57

" 28th " 48 " 51

" 29th " 50 " 48 Average 54.5

Admitted William Greenlade. School work as usual. Closed the school for the Harvest Holidays

1884

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July 25th Morning 53 Afternoon 63

Average 56.3

No. registered

63

No. on Registers

85

Absent

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29th Copy of:- Summary of the Inspector's Report received today

Girls' School. "This school has done well in the Elementary Subjects, and in English and Needlework. Singing is good. Discipline and Order are good."

Infants' Class. Reading, Writing and Numbers are very fairly taught. Needlework is fairly good. Lessons on Form, Colour, and Objects are fairly well given."

Maria Champion, certificated teacher of the 2nd Class.

Mary Jane Lawton, qualified Assistant T. H. Pratt. (List Articles 50 and 52).

28th Many children still absent; work somewhat difficult as the children are not yet used to their new standards.

Admitted Emily Lawton and Clara Westlake.

1884

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July 25 th	Morning	54	Afternoon	58
" 29 th	"	62	"	59
" 30 th	"	60	"	60
" 31 st	"	58	"	58
Aug: 1 st	"	57	"	54

Average 58.

No. on Registers.	No. Registered	Absent
<u>86</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>18</u>

Aug: 4th The Attendance is still very irregular probably owing to the harvest.

School work has gone on as usual during the week. Admitted Lucy Parker.

4 th	Morning	55	Afternoon	55
" 5 th	"	50	"	52
" 6 th	"	52	"	49
" 7 th	"	59	"	59
" 8 th	"	55	"	57

Average 54.3

No. on Registers	No. Registered	Absent
<u>87</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>26</u>

" 11th Admitted Kate Duncan and Alfred Williams. Attendance much the same

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1888

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week
127	122	5

Average attendance = 110.8

June 4th Effie Radford's name removed from the books as she is dead.

June 8th The weekly return is as follows.

	Mornings	Afternoons
4 th	111	109
5 th	111	112
6 th	117	117
7 th	118	116
8 th	100	107
	557	561

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week
126	124	2

Average attendance = 111.8

June 11th School examined by Rev. W. W. Howard D. D. and his Assistant Mr. Turner.

The Rev. J. A. Gould and the clerk to the Board visited the school during the Examination.

The following entry was made on the Master's certificate. - "Mr. Frederick Bellman is doing good work in his school."

1888

More Kindergarten material was ordered to be supplied for the Infants

The following pieces of poetry were selected for the various Standards for 1889.

- Standard I. The Spring
- " II. The wood mouse
- " III. The Incheape rock.
- " IV. and he never ^{again} smiled
- " V. VI. & VII. Horatius.

Maps were set to be drawn from memory by the V and VI Standards for the first time, and the whole of the written work of St. III and upwards was done on paper.

June 12th The usual day's holiday after the Examination granted to-day.

June 13th Re-arranged scholars in their new Standards.

June 14th Agnes Mears and George Tomi were reported as having left. Both having passed the required Standard. Ella Abraham being unwell is detained at the Hospital.

Many children of the Upper Standards are absent.

June 15th The attendance again poor especially with the 5th Standard.

Commenced the Geography of America with the Upper standards.

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Sep 10 The following Table shows results
1890 for week ending Sep 10.
Total Attendance this week 380
Co. corresponding week last year (holidays)
Average Attendance 38.
No. on the Register 49
Total Fees received 6/4
— of Attendance as compared
with corresponding week last y^r.

13 Only a moderate attendance
this morning.

15 The Master prohibited the
children playing in the
Boys' yard with "Bows
and Arrows". It is a
dangerous practice.

1894
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June 5th

Drew attention of the Attendance Officer to the fact that Jessie Crump was at Exeter, employed in minding a baby, and not attending school; and that her name is on our Schedules for Examination. She is only 8 years of age.

The Grubbles returned to school to-day.

Infants' Time Table altered to introduce recreation interval as per Code requirement.

June 8th

Bertie Blatworthy illegally employed in farm work. The weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
4 ^h	108	108
5 ^h	111	118
6 ^h	110	114
7 ^h	111	112
8 ^h	113	108
	<u>553</u>	<u>560</u>

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week.
123	120	3

Average attendance = 111.3

June 11th

Very good attendance to-day.
Jessie Crump returned to school from Exeter.
The following are selected for repetition and as Gallery lessons for 1894-5:-

Poetry selected for repetition on 1894-5. -

- Standard I. The spring.
 " II. The two crossing sweepers
 " III. Bruce and the spider
 " IV. " " " and the burial of Moore
 " V. VI. VII. The Lady of the Lake.

List of Object and collective lessons for Infants. -

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Cow | 11. Coffee | 21. A ham car. |
| 2. Horse | 12. Soap | 22. Wool |
| 3. Bee | 13. Bread | 23. Iron |
| 4. Camel | 14. Water | 24. Needles |
| 5. Swan | 15. A blacklead pencil. | 25. Money |
| 6. Seal | 16. A pen knife | 26. Railway train |
| 7. Beaver | 17. A candle | 27. Truth |
| 8. Whale | 18. A letter | 28. Kindness |
| 9. A tree and its parts. | 19. A work basket. | 29. Obedience |
| 10. An apple | 20. The sea-side | 30. Cleanliness |

(approved) E. H. Brodie, Wms
 June 12. 1894.

June 12th School examined to-day by E. H. Brodie Esq. and Mr. W. Bright. The Rev. J. A. Collins and Mr. Butt visited the school during the examination. Unseen readers were used for the first time in the school for Standard IV.

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1896.

Newton St. Lyrres

Dec. 2nd The clerk to the Board visited the school.
Attendance very poor.

Dec. 3rd Took the Lower Standards for Drawing
this afternoon. St. II work good and St. I.
Very fair.

Dec. 4th Exceedingly wet day. Roads impassable in some
parts. Impossible to carry on school duties.
The usual weekly return is as follows. -

	Mornings	Afternoons.
Nov. 30 th	111	106
Dec. 1 st	112	108
2 nd	87	96
3 rd	107	107
	<u>417</u>	<u>417</u>

Average attendance = 104.2

Dec. 7th Removed the names of Kate Baker, Samuel,
Beatrice, and Ivy Crump from the school
registers as they have left the neighbourhood.

Dec. 8th The clerk to the Board visited the school
and brought the Diocesan Report; the
following being a copy of the same. -

1896.

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School inspected 23rd Nov. 1896.

Discipline, Tone &c. Excellent.

Scholars present at inspection: 118.

The School is classed as Excellent.

"The discipline and tone of this School are highly satisfactory and the teaching has been conscientious and able."

The Repetition, both oral and written, was particularly accurate, and on the whole an "excellent" examination has been passed.

Honourable mention - Margaret Bonner,

Christina Halbe, Leslie Bellman, George Hancock, Elsie Bellman, Kate Billing,

Charles Halbe, Sarah Chudley, Kate Baker,

Amy Chudley, Susan Hutchings and William Hancock.

J. F. Powning

Diocesan Inspector

Dec. 9th

Attendance very unsatisfactory: 25 absent in the morning.

Examined St. III in Geography. Found satisfactory progress generally except in the cases of three who are far from regular in attendance.

1896
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Sep. 25th The attendance during the week has been exceptionally bad, the percentage only reaching 73. The return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
21 st	116	111
22 nd	62	71
23 rd	110	109
24 th	108	111
25 th	84	89
	<hr/> 480	<hr/> 491

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week
132	125	7

Average attendance = 97.1

Sep. 30th Sent a long list of absentees to the School Board for consideration as the attendance is very unsatisfactory. Application made to the School Board for the use of room for Evening Classes in coming winter. The weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
Sep. 28 th	102	106
" 29 th	99	103
" 30 th	106	108
Oct. 1 st	112	111
" 2 nd	106	107
	<hr/> 525	<hr/> 535

Average attendance = 106.

1896.

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Oct. 8th Notice of examination for Labour Certificates received.
Oct. 9th The usual weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons.
5 th	110	105
6 th	99	104
7 th	113	113
8 th	110	112
9 th	108	102
	<hr/> 540	<hr/> 536

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week.
129	122	7

Average attendance = 107.6

Oct. 12th Entered Sydney, Herbert, and Alfred Lang and William Cornish.

Notice of Diocesan Examination on Nov. 23rd received.
Commenced Evening classes under the Education Department and Devon County Council. Subjects of instruction - Book-keeping, Geography, Drawing, Wood-carving; and Needlework, (Females).

Received the approved Time Table for Evening class from H. M. I.

Oct. 16th Mary E. Harris prevented from attending school in the afternoon through illness.

Very unsatisfactory attendance to-day.

1892.

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April 25th Re-opened school after the Easter vacation. 83 present.
 Entered Clara Vendole, Alice Luxton, and William Burrows.
 "This is to certify that Florence Frankjett is not
 in a fit state of health to attend school."

Percy J. Lunn

L.R. b. P. M.R. b. S.

Creditor
 April 23rd 1892.

April 27th Mr. T. Ellis visited the school in order to become
 acquainted with the working of a Public Elementary School.

April 28th The Assistant Mistress gave an object lesson on
 "Rice" to the Infant class.

April 29th The weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
25 th	82	84
26 th	86	87
27 th	89	86
28 th	87	88
29 th	80	79
	<u>424</u>	<u>424</u>

Average attendance = 84.8

May 2nd Admitted Harriet Scott and Maud Parish.

May 4th Annie Gribble returned to school and brought a
 younger sister with her.

May 5th Requested E. Lendon to teach quieter and avoid shouting.

May 6th The weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
2 nd	89	87
3 rd	88	89
4 th	92	92
5 th	95	95
6 th	85	83
	<u>449</u>	<u>446</u>

Number on Books	Number present	Absent all the week
98	97	1
Average attendance = 89.5		

May 10th Received notice of the examination, which is fixed for Monday June 27th at 10 a.m.

May 11th Elizabeth London's "Economy" badly prepared. Examined St. III. IV. V. - Result good, except in the cases of Beatrice Steer, Edith Greenslade, and Ellen Williams.

The two former are very irregular.

May 13th The weekly return is as follows:-

	Mornings	Afternoons
9 th	92	93
10 th	93	91
11 th	91	92
12 th	93	92
13 th	87	87
	<u>456</u>	<u>455</u>

Average attendance = 91.1

51 1898.

May 19th

Evening School Report. -

"The class is taught with great vigour and intelligence, and is most orderly and regular in attendance.

Needlework is thoroughly well taught by Miss Cottell."

The item of £3.0.8 for "Fees returned" has been disallowed.

J. W. Williams, Clerk.

May 20th

The usual weekly return is as follows. -

	Mornings	Afternoons
16 th	135	135
17 th	136	138
18 th	130	130
19 th	135	132
20 th	128	125
	<u>664</u>	<u>660</u>

Number on books	Number present	Absent all the week
153	143	10

Average attendance = 132.4

May 24th

29 away this morning and 26 this afternoon. No apparent cause for this irregularity.

May 25th

The clerk to the Board visited the school this morning.

Jan. 27th Examined all Upper Standards. Results recorded in "Record" book.

The weekly return is as follows. -

	Mornings	Afternoons
23 rd	131	133
24 th	124	127
25 th	133	132
26 th	128	126
27 th	128	124
	<u>644</u>	<u>642</u>

Average attendance = 128.6

List of Object Lessons for Infants. -

Cow	Silkworms	Elephant
Milk	Silk	Horse
Butter	Cotton	Dog
Cheese	Wool	Birds
Hides	Coal	Soap
Leather	Slate	Pepper
Tannery	Silver	Policeman
Grocers' shop	Corns	Looking-glass
Tea table	Masons	Cleanliness
Rice	Bricks	Kindness

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June 13th

June 14th

Two scholars have left the district.
Average for week 45.1. D^r Leicester &
M^r Robbins called on Dad.

In the evening a number of boys
attended voluntarily for work "in
the field". The 150 ft contour
was sketched in on the 25"
Ordnance map from Hayne Farm
to Barton Cottages.

June 20th

Registers were checked & signed by
M^r Chudley.

June 22nd

The 150 ft contour was sketched
in between Barton Cottages & Lilly
Farm. Time taken 1 hr in afternoon.

June 24th

Average for wk 44.3. No. on lists 82.

June 25th (Sat)

A number of the older scholars
visited Crediton Church Library under
the supervision of the Headmaster.
Time did not permit of any
attention being given to architecture
but it is hoped to make this
omission good by a school
journey to Exeter Cathedral &

1929

Nov 15th

Weekly average 85.4

Nov 21st

Owing to the breaking of an "S" hook a large oil lamp suspended from the ceiling fell to the floor. The burning oil charred several desks and a considerable portion of the floor. A serious fire was narrowly averted.

Nov 22nd

The average attendance for the week is 85.4.

Nov 25th

Owing to inclement weather and floods the school was closed today. Only 30 children attended in the morning.

Nov 28th

Owing to floods it was deemed expedient to send home this afternoon all children living the other side of the river. They were taken through the floods in a waggon.

Nov 29th

The average attendance for the week was 73.4. The Dentist Visit was made today.

Dec 5th

Owing to floods & rain the attendance was so poor (Class I $\frac{14}{38}$ II $\frac{7}{34}$ III $\frac{9}{31}$) that the meeting was abandoned.

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gardening. Attendance cancelled
 Thursday 25th Feb. In the afternoon the open
 day ^{programme} postponed through whooping cough
 was carried out.

The following managers were present.
 The Reverend J. E. Blakeman Ball, Mrs
 Beedell, J. Hewett, W. S. Loyatt & G.
 Chudley Esqs. A much larger number ^{than usual}
 of parents, old scholars & friends of the school
 attended & enjoyed an entertainment
 after sale & exhibition of work.

The staff wish to organise an
 entertainment possibly at Autumn
 Half Term. The consent of managers
 will be sought at an early date.

Friday 26th Feb. The flooding of station road
 which held up the parents returning
 from yesterday's open day prevented
 the younger children from attending
 today. Four who were keen enough
 to attend managed to wade through
 flooded road to return home.

Attendance for week = 79.3 or 88.1%

1939

- 16 March. The registers were checked & signed by Mrs. E. Beedell.
- 17 March. Miss Lloyd visited the school & brought 15 day old chicks (light Sussex) the property of the School Society Club.
Average for week is 89.5 or 94.2%
- Mon 20 March. In Senior class time table was varied to allow examination to take place.
- Thurs. 23rd March. W. A. Robbin Esq., visited the school & discussed the question of beekeeping.
- Fri 24 March. School closed for 2 teachers to attend Refresher course at Exeter.
Senior boys worked at beehive in afternoon.
Average for week = 90 or 94.7%.
- Fri 31 March. " " " " 91.5 or 97.3%.
- Mon 3 April. Mr. W. A. Robbin visited the school with reference to time table for Woodwork. He also discussed beekeeping.
- Tue 4. Miss Davis called with reference to backward children in school and discussed the problem. It is understood that she will

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all the managers generously subscribed & work prizes were presented to each of the three classes.

Balance sheet to be circulated to managers shows receipts £26-3-3

prizes & presents £20 expenses & tea £2-8-0

gift to church gift tree £1-0-0

leaving balance £2-15-3

Fri 19 Dec. The Head Teacher & 2 boys were absent for 1 hour in the afternoon 2.10-3.10. to assist with urgent distribution of seed potatoes, unexpectedly ~~arriving~~ ^{by rail} arriving from Scotland. Both boys were eligible for employment on agricultural work. nearly a ton of Highland grown seed potatoes were brought to the village by cart from the station.

The school closed at 3.45 p.m. until Mon 12 Jan 1948.

The new afternoon times have proved popular & allow the children to get home before dark.

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Urgent building repairs, roof, doors & fence have not been attended to in spite of every effort from this end.

The dentist is expected the first week of next term & in view of fuel difficulties and need for inspection & treatment premises the usual arrangements at the school are contemplated.

The new meals assistant Mrs. Burrough has relieved the teachers of much of the burden of meals being served in classrooms.

Attendance has been good this term & there have been no visits by any inspectors. The canteen meals have been on the whole excellent & unnecessary waste can be further cut out of smaller quantities are sent.

No wood has been received for woodwork. Consequently Mr. Snow has taken cardboard work.

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Mon 12 Jan.

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May 29

Next week will be a special holiday in commemoration of the Coronation of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

Sixteen little girls will be dancing a Maypole Dance at the Coronation Celebrations in this Village.

June 8th

School re-opened.

Mrs Rook is deputising for Mrs Dullieu (meals assistant) this week, and next - Mrs Dullieu is in London.

June 22nd

Mrs Dullieu returned to duty.

June 26th

Mrs. Quicke visited the school to check registers.

Mr Milton, Clerk of Works visited the school to in answer to my phone message to the County Architect regarding the desirability of altering the ventilation of roof at the ^{east} end, where work is in progress.