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Jan 13.

5 Absentees this week. Two admissions one St. IV. one Infant. Lessons according to Time Table. Needlework well done each day. R^d Ambrose Taylor St. V. leaving to day to attend the Grammar School at Kenham. His mother came to speak with mistress about it on Wednesday evening.

20th

James Conlinton St. VI. & Alice Fowler St. IV are still away from home. Lessons well done. Oral lesson on Friday on "Fishes". Needlework progressing nicely.

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Registers ex^o - correct - J. P. Sykes.

27th

All Standards carefully worked up in "English" this week. Lessons according to Time Table.

Feb. 3rd

Examination on Wednesday in Standard work. Results. St. VI. Reading Fair. Composition Poor. Arithmetic Fair. St. V. Reading, Good. Composition Good. Arith. Good. IV. Fair Arith. Reading & Spelling Good. III Good. II Weak in Arithmetic & Spelling. I Good in Arithmetic and Reading Poor in Spelling. Infants Good.

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Feb 10th

Sent G. Fowler Infant home until cured of an infectious disease of the skin. All the children ^(Girls) except 2 have finished their Garments for Inspection. Gave Mental Arithmetic & Set Lines to all Standards.

17th

Weather very severe. many children sick. Specimens of needlework neatly done but not finished in the allotted time. Half Holiday Thron Tuesday.

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St. V. learnt cutting out pinafore. New Song taught "England": Exam: to all School in Arith. and Grammar. & Repetition of Poetry. Poor attendance all the week owing to the rough weather.

March 2nd

End of 3rd Quarter. Thursday 1st March many children (boys) absent, owing to hiring fair at Long Preston.

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Worked very hard with St. II + IV in back Standard work. These are the 2 most backward Standards. Herbert Moore and Walter Hartley especially so. William Aytou seems to grow more deficient in intellect every week. The poor boy

is hardly able to do St I sums correctly and seems to have forgotten all his tables. He has not the slightest idea of spelling but can read tolerably and write fairly. Some days he is slightly brighter but his health is on the whole poor.

March 16th Wednesday and Thursday very stormy. All children from a distance prevented from coming owing to the snow drifts.

23rd Only one absentee J. Tomlinson. is coming next week. Needlework is improving very much in all Standards.

Spent much time with Infants & Standard I this week. Stand. II still backward especially H. Moore and W. Hartley.

29. Same boy absent. Closed school 3.45 on Wednesday. 19 children present. That day it being such a dreadfully stormy day. Broke up on Thursday until Wednesday giving holiday for Easter. Visitor Miss Lykes. Children met together at school on Monday for Tea Party given on the occasion of

the marriage of Miss Lykes.
April 6th School opened Wednesday morning. E. Sanderson St. V absent all week - very irregular and consequently very backward. Gave examination in needlework to girls, greatly improved both in quality and quantity in the allotted time.

Cutting out Pinacore St. V.
13th E. Sanderson returned. Examined all Standards and Infants. Prep St. V in a little while after school on Thursday evening to do sums on board. They are dull and backward.

20th Many children are suffering from severe colds owing to the sudden changes in the weather. Some on coming to school on Wednesday were caught by a sharp shower of rain and these seem to be the worst. The attendance at school is the consequence irregular.

27 Registers examined & found correct (3.30 P.M.) J. P. Lykes

27 Some absentees on Thursday owing to a Fair at Settle. Gave special examination on Friday throughout the school.

May 4th Very wet day on Thursday. only 17 present.
 J. Hartley St. IV absent all the week.

Gave a special examination on Friday throughout the school.

" 11th Ascension Day on Thursday. gave holiday. Attendance better this week.

" 18th Paid much attention to Infants and St. I + II + TV during this week. Agnes Clark St. III absent helping mother. Needlework well done.

" 25th All Lessons according to Time Table. Poetry well said, and pretty well understood.

Received Notice that the School is to be examined on Thursday June 14th by the Assistant and on Monday June 18th by J. G. Cooper Esq. St. M. J.

June 1st Opened New Registers to-day. School year ended yesterday.

" 8th Gave an examination to whole school on Wednesday in Arithmetic and English on Thursday in Reading and Writing. W. Ayton not well consequently did his lessons badly. Eliza Clark defective in reading and spelling. Both St. I. in St. II. St. Moore & W. Hartley although

greatly improved are still behind the other two in the Standard. Mental Arithmetic on Friday.

Poetry prepared for 1888

St. VI and V. Story of Horatius
 St. IV Death of de Boune
 St. III Bruce and the Spider
 St. II Compassion
 St. I and Infants. Freddie and the Cherries.

Songs for 1888

The Mill Wheel
 Of all the merry little birds
 Casabranca
 Bold Robin Hood
 England
 Joe the blacksmith
 The coach
 The Patten and Ball

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June 15. School examined on Thursday morning by Mr. Sedgwick Assistant Inspector. Commencing by singing 2 songs "The Mill Wheel" and the "Coach". Children went away about one o'clock gave holiday in the afternoon. 11 absentees on Friday.

22. On Monday afternoon at 2. J. G. Cooper Esq. St. M. J. came to finish the examination of the school. There was the needlework (Garments) to examine. (Specimens having been sewn and taken away on Thursday) and selections of Poetry to submit for approval. Mr. Geldard + Rev. J. P. Sykes present on Monday afternoon. Mr. Sykes only, on the Thursday.

James Lambson St VI and E. Sanderson St IV absent since Monday. Duplicate Schedule returned on Wednesday. St. Moore failed in all subjects St. II. Walter Harley St II + R. Hartley St IV failed in 2 subjects. Shall endeavour to work these 2 up for higher standards. Passed 82 p.c. above 7; Eliza Clarke Standard II fell on Tuesday evening and broke her right arm in

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three places. She is suffering great pain. This is most unfortunate for the poor child as she is very backward especially in Spelling. Attendance poor and irregular. 1 admitted.

June 29. Al. Fowler St. IV gone to stay at Long Preston for a time. Lambson left. Three absentees all week, besides the sick child who will not be able to attend for some time. Very poor attendance.

July 6. Attendance very low indeed. Children kept at home for hay time although the weather is very unsettled.

Broke up on Friday morning for

Five Weeks Midsummer

Holidays.

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Rathmell National School -
Summary of the Inspector's Report on
the School and Remarks (if any) to
be made.

"The children passed
a very fair examination, and the school
deserves the good merit grant.
The points that might be improved
are (1), the Reading, which is rather
monotonous and expressionless,
(2) the oral Arithmetic, and
(3) the Handwriting, which should be
bolder, better spaced and less
cramped".

Matilda Louisa Parsons
Certificated Teacher of First Class,
July 10th 1888

John P. Lykes

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- Aug 17th - Poor attendance this week - Day time
not being over yet.
- " 22 Register Exam? J. P. Lykes.
- " 24th More children present this week. H. Frankland
H. Hartley, B. Sanderson + R. Gault still
absent. admitted L. Hall Infant. Lessons
carefully done.
- " 31st Took children to Cappleside on Thursday
afternoon for tea and games at the
invitation of Mr. + Mrs. Giddard.
- Sept. 7th Commencement of 2nd Quarter. Day time
being unprecedentedly late this year. 4 children
have left school in consequence. Their
parents wishing to keep their help. No. on
books this Qr. only 30 as yet.
- " 14th Admitted 1 Infant boy. Lessons according
to Line Table
- " 21st Admitted another Infant boy. Both these
are quite ignorant of lessons.
- " 28th On Monday admitted R. Kirby H. II. The
School was examined in Religious Knowledge
on Wednesday afternoon. Registers not
marked. Game holiday on Thursday
afternoon. Mr. Giddard + friend visited Friday.