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July: 1: 1903.

Wednesday - Library books changed to day seventeen scholars had a fresh book. Hay time having started in the neighbourhood the holidays will commence this week.

July: 2: 1903.

Rathmell National School (Yorks N.R.)
Inspector's Report 1902 to 1903.

"This school continues to make very satisfactory progress. The teaching is intelligent and the general management very creditable.

Frederick William Fitz-Newton,

Certificated Teacher of First Class,

Henrietta Fitz-Newton,

Certificated Teacher of Second Class.

July 3rd, 1903.

J. P. Sykes.

July: 3: 1903.

closed school for Midsummer Holidays, five weeks. Attendance during past week has been very good. Average being 44.2. The number on the books is 51, number present at all 50. The absentee was Thirston Harrison who will be thirteen years old this month: parents sent word he has left.

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Aug: 10:

Re-opened school after midsummer holidays; Monday morning; 34 present.

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The classroom so much needed will soon ~~be~~ it is hoped be provided, the old fashioned desks should as soon as possible be replaced by modern ones.

F. Worley W.M.S.

Aug: 14: 1903.

The school has had a good start after vacation, Taylors from Black Leach not returned, through not finishing hay time owing to stormy weather. Maggie Frankland and William Hodgesson away from home.

Aug: 18: 1903.

William Hodgesson returned from Slaidburn, good school.

" 21: 1903.

The Bank receipts this week are 3/6. The library books were changed on Wednesday afternoon; the average attendance for the past week has been 44.4. Admitted William Harrison from Owlshaw.

" 24: 1903.

William Robinson - John Hodgesson away through sickness, Maggie Frankland still away from home.

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Registres verified (10.30) J. P. Sykes.
 Thirston Harrison, George Harrison and
 Maggie Hodgson absented themselves
 since the holidays, they have sent word
 "left the school": their ages are 13, 12, 11, and
 are taking advantage of a new Bye-law
 for agricultural purpose.

Sep: 2: 1903 Wednesday Morning: very wet: only 33
 present. William Robinson and Lizzie
 Hall away from school with sore throats.
 Present P.M. 33

Sep: 4: 1903 The School Attendance Officer, Mr Parker
 visited Rathmell on this date: reported
 George Harrison from Owlshaw and Maggie
 Hodgson, Black Hill, for absenting themselves
 without permission

Sep: 9: 1903 William Robinson and Lizzie Hall returned
 to school this week: the average lower
 through bereavement, Harrisons from
 Owlshaw having lost their grandfather.

Sep: 11: 1903 Registers verified - J. P. Sykes.

Sep: 11: 1903 The average for the wk: is 40.5: Four
 children have been absent all the week.

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Sep: 14: 1903 Bank receipts $3\frac{1}{2}$; James Shuttleworth 1/- Maggie
 & Thirston Frankland 6 each; May, Annie, Dora and
 Robert Mitton 3 each:

Sep: 16: 1903 Wednesday Afternoon; the girls conducted by
 Mrs Fitznewton went for a country ramble at
 3 o'clock, while the boys played a cricket match
 in the field opposite the school. Library books
 given out, this date, numbered fourteen.

Sep: 18: 1903 The attendance this week has been a
 record one: No: on registers being 53. No:
 present at all 49: the absentees have been
 Susan Meansergh, Thirston Harrison, George
 Harrison and Maggie Hodgson. Av: 47.2

Sep: 21: 1903 Monday, whole day holiday on this date
 occasioned by the visit of clerks from Wakefield
 who came to take all particulars re
 Rathmell Day School on behalf of
 the County Council. The managers
 who visited on this occasion were
 Rev: J. P. Sykes. Rev: Geo Style M.A. and
 Mrs Geldard.

Sep: 25: 1903 Mary Preston absent all the week, she
 being 13 yrs old last week. Av: 43.8

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- Sep: 28: 1903 Cookery class commenced this date for Rathmell & Wigglesworth conjointly; five girls present from Rathmell - Class held at the Laundry in the village.
- Oct 2: 1903 Average for week 41.2. Girls attending cookery classes made 9 attendances. Scholars went to Cappleside on Thursday afternoon to a treat given by Mrs Geldard. Sunday scholars receiving prizes for good attendance.
- Oct: 6: 1903 Some sickness reported this week, Hodgsons. Walkers & W^m Robinson away. Object Lessons for the week have been coal & air.
- Oct: 9: 1903 Received notice of Scripture Examination which is fixed for October 15th A.M. Average lower through sickness and rough weather.
- Oct. 15- 1903 Have inspected the Religious work of the School; the children have answered thoughtfully & well on a full syllabus; the teaching is thoroughly practical & devotional; & everything is of the best, 47 in all were in attendance for the Inspection, & there are no withdrawals throughout the School.
- Thos. C. Watson M.A. - D.I. Ripon
- Oct: 16: 1903 Average for the week has been 46.

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- Oct: 19: 1903 Wet Monday; consequently attendance lower. several cases of colds; six children attending cookery class.
- 20th Registers verified. J. P. Sykes.
- Oct: 23: 1903 The attendance has been very good during the past week; the average teaching 43.5; without the attendances made by girls attending cookery class. The school was closed for a week to day "refixing new heating apparatus and ventilator."
- Nov: 2: 03 Holiday also on the Monday to allow of cleaning up after workmen had finally finished.
- Nov: 5: 1903 Number present 49 A.M. + 47 P.M.
- .. 6: 1903 The new heating apparatus and ventilating arrangement has worked admirably during the past week.
- .. 9th Registers verified (10.30) J. P. Sykes.
- Nov: 9: 1903 Opened school at 1 o'clock P.M. and closed at 3.30. The above course will be adopted during winter months; to allow children living a long distance from school to get home in day light.

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Nov: 13: 1903

Average for week 42.8. Girls attended cookery class. Anne Walker away since Tues: ill; George Harrison & Maggie Hodgson still away sick.

Nov: 20: 1903

Mr. Parker ^{Attendance Officer} visited Rathmell this week; commenced school on ^{Nov: 24:} Wednesday at 2 o'clock: on account of the funeral of Mr. Stephen Robinson one of the School Managers: on other days the time of opening is 1 o'clock: closing at 3.30.

Nov: 23: 1903

Two cases of sickness this morning at opening school: Monday: Evelyn Nelson looked so bad that she was sent home again. Mark Harrison; who comes 3 mls: recovered after being in the yard about an hr; and thoroughly warmed afterwards on pipes. Received Christmas cards & Toys from Messrs Lever Bros: "Sunlight Soap".

30th Nov. 1903

Registers examined 3 P.M. found correct. L & Geldard

Dec: 2: 1903

Several cases of absence through bad colds. Four of Milton's children absent all day this date; on account of the Annual Ball at their house; the Cross Keys.

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Dec: 4: 1903

Average lower owing to stormy weather. No drill in school yard on that account.

10th Dec. Inspection (1).

G. Thorpe, Sub-Inspector.

Dec: 14: 1903

Attendance improved along with the weather.

" 18: 1903

Number on registers 49; number present at all for the past week has been 48: the only absentee being Marion Walker who is a delicate child. Maggie Hodgson's & George Harrison's names have been crossed off the register: they were absent through sickness, and each sent the requisite doctor's certificate.

Dec: 23: 1903

Christmas week attendance good: The children assisted by the Church choir give a Xmas Concert at Cappleside at 7 o'clock: proceeds in aid of the School Building Fund. School closed this date for Christmas Holidays.

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Jan: 6: 1904

School re-opens this date after Xmas Holidays.

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Registers Verified (11.45) J.P. Sykes.

Jan: 8: 1904

The school has had a good start after Christmas Holidays, the average for 1st week (three days) being 44.6. May Milton absent: away from home: three Walker's children absent from school: received a Doctor's certificate for Henry Walker suffering from "ulcer abscess". Marion Walker absent through general weakness. Isabel has also absented herself 13 yr old: supposes she can leave although she has no standard V certificate.

Jan: 13: 1904

Wet weather; school attendance good Henry away ill, John, William + Fred Hodgson leaving school this week: removing to Slaidburn.

Jan: 15: 1904

Very winterly weather; only 30 present at school morning + afternoon opening school.

Jan: 20: 1904

Isobel Walker commenced attendance at school again. May Milton also comes occasionally; these girls are both over thirteen.

Jan: 22: 1904

Average for the week 44.7.

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Jan: 28.

Thursday morning 11 o'clock, Number present 42.

" 29

Average for week ending this date is 41. Alice Bilborough + Henry Walker absent the whole through sickness.

Feb: 3: 1904

Harry M. Fitznewton away from school sick.

" " "

Registers Verified 2.30 P. Weythambrwaite

Feb: 5: 1904

Friday morning - rather damp, but cleared up by 11 o'clock, consequently several scholars absented themselves all day; distance from school to their home only 14 ml.

Object Lessons for past week have been Suction Pump and travelling - Number on Registers 47. Present at all 45. No: - 40-3.

Feb: 10: 1904

Changed thirty-six of our Library Books for thirty-three of Wigglesworth for a few months.

Feb: 12: 1904

Rev. J. P. Sykes visited school this afternoon, Friday, No present 41. Average for the week has been 41.6. Henry Walker + Mra J. Hodgson still absent.

Feb: 16: 1904

Shrove Tuesday: Half-day holiday.

- 17: 1904

Ash - Wednesday - Scholars attended Divine Service at Rathmell Church: 11 o'clock.

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- The average for the week is 42.3.
- Feb: 19: Edward Taylor, from Cappleside, absent through breaking his collar-bone. Henry Walker still absent through sickness.
- " 22: Edward Taylor, from Cappleside, absent through breaking his collar-bone. Henry Walker still absent through sickness.
- " 26: No meeting of School on this date, on account of great fall of snow; children weather bound at home. Mr Mansergh came to repair school floor at 3 o'clock.
- Mar: 4: 1904 Some irregularity caused through sickness average for week has been: 39.9.
- " 9: 1904 No drill on account of dirty state of play-ground, after rough weather.
- " 11: 1904 May, Mary Jane, & Frank Taylor farmer's children from Black Leach absent themselves all day on Friday - this date - because their father was killing a pig. Weather beautiful Average for week 40.9. Object Lessons for week the Pump & Climate.
- " 15: 1904 Registers verified (1.1.50) J. P. Sykes.
- " 18: 1904 During the past week the boys have commenced a Cricket Club in connection with the Day School. Collecting 14/1 from

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- parents and friends in neighbourhood.
- Mar: 21: 1904 Took drill in School yard. Mr. Haythornthwaite brought another load of coals.
- " 22: 1904 Sewing and drawing taken on Tuesday instead of Wednesday on account of alterations to School House: new fire range in kitchen &c.
- " 25: 1904 Maggie Hodgeson & Henry still absent through sickness. Average for past week 41.9.
- " 31: 1904 Received Forms from the Accountant of West Riding Education Committee re Payment of Teachers' Salary, which will be paid monthly under the new Authority, beginning Ap: 1904.
- Apr: 1: 1904 Good Friday 1904.
- " 4: " Easter Monday - holiday all day.
- Apr: 6: 1904 Rathmell was swept by a great gale of wind, which loosened and smashed a window during the night. I sent for James Mansergh to repair it. Drill as usual. Number present all day was 41. Several children from long distances absent through storm. Wednes