Poulshot School Log Book - school year 1900-01

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Feb. 8th Received Form 9 and other Forms from the Education Department.

" 14th Another load of coke got for the School. Attendance very low. heavy fall of Snow.

" 15th Attendance again very low. heavy Storms of wind and rain.

" 16th Florence Dunford present, marked absent in error. William Haines
Manager Pro Tem.

" Checked Registers and found Item Correct
William Haines
Manager Pro Tem.

Mar. 1st School closed this afternoon to give the children a half holiday in honour of the relief of Ladysmith in South Africa.

" 7th School closed this afternoon to allow the Master and the other teachers to attend the funeral of a relative.

Mar. 2nd. Mr. Haine visited the School this morning and distributed the prizes to the children who had made the best attendance throughout the past year.

" 16th " Attendance much improved this week. A few children are absent sick.

" 19th " Amy Annie, John, Arthur, and Edgar Noyes have left this school owing to removal from the Parish.

" 20th " Admitted a fresh scholar to the Infant Class.

" 26th " Admitted two fresh scholars to the Infant Class.

" 29th " Inspector's Report received (See page 496)

April 6th " The attendance has fallen off this week a little. Some of the children especially in the Infant Class are absent sick.

" 9th " Notice sent to H. M. Inspector that this School will not meet on Friday the ~~11th~~ 13th inst., and that it will re-assemble on Monday the 23rd. inst.

" 12th " School closed for Easter Holidays.

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Summary of the Inspector's Report and remarks.

Mixed School. "The children are orderly and attentive. They have improved in Reading since last year, and are making satisfactory progress in Handwriting and Spelling; Arithmetic is fairly good: Geography is, on the whole, well known, and a fair knowledge is shown of Elementary Science. Needlework is good and Drawing fairly good."

Infants' Class. "The Infants are orderly and are making fairly good progress."

M. E. Leslie is continued under Article 68 of the Code.

Staff

Mixed School. Hugh Leslie – Head Teacher.
Janet Leslie – Candidate.
Infants' Class. Mary E. Leslie – Article 68.
Indulf Leslie – Monitor.

William Hamb
Manager

April 23rd Reopened School today. 64 children present in the morning and 64 in the afternoon.

May 1st A Map of the British Empire, Wall Maps of Asia, Canada, New Zealand, Cape Colony India, and Geographical Terms have been got for the School.

" 2nd. Admitted a fresh Scholar.

" 8th Notice sent to H.M. Inspector that this School will not assemble on Tuesday the 15th inst. but that it will re-assemble on Wednesday the 16th inst.

" 9th A supply of Material for Needle-work & Kinder-garten, some exercises, arithmetics, Objects for lessons in Elementary Science, Wall Charts & three Infants' Desks have been got for the School.

" 18th Notice sent to H. M. Inspector that this School will not assemble on Thursday the 24th inst. Ascension Day.

" 21st. Allowed the Children to choose their lessons today after the Arithmetic lesson in honour of the relief of Mafeking. All with the exception of

five, who chose reading, requested singing. Those who desired reading were supplied with books. Patriotic songs were sung by the rest. Extra Musical Drill was also given and longer play time which the children were allowed to have on the Green instead of in the Playground.

May 28th Notice sent to H.M. Inspector that this school will be closed during Whitsuntide week.

" 31st Checked Registers and found them correct. Attendance rather low on account of sickness

William Hains
Manager - Pro Tem -

June 1st Closed for Whitsuntide Holidays.

" 11th Re-opened School. 67 children present in the morning and 59 in the afternoon.

" 12th Only 44 children present in the morning, and 37 in the afternoon. A number are away with the Band of Hope Outing.

June 18th Haymaking is begun and many of the children are wanted in the hayfields. Notice has been sent to H.M. Inspector that school will be closed from the 22nd day of the present month until Tuesday the 7th day of August.

" 20th Examined Standards I & II in Reading Writing and Arithmetic.

" 21st Examined Standards III to V in Reading Writing and Arithmetic.

" 22nd Closed for Midsummer Holidays.

Aug. 7th Reopened School. Indulf Leslie has resigned the Monitorship in this school. The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Ethel E. Leslie.

Aug. 13th Visited School at 11.10. Called Registers & found them correct.

T. B. Buchanan

" 14th Notice sent to H.M. Inspector that the school will be closed on Monday and Tuesday the 20th & 21st inst. the school room being required for parochial festivities.

1900

Aug. 22nd. School reassembled, having been closed on the 20th & 21st for festivities connected with Poulshot Feast.

" 31st Average for the week 65.1

Sept. 4th Received a Medical Certificate on behalf of Janet Leslie stating that she is suffering from nervous exhaustion and debility, and unequal, in the medical opinion to the double strain of teaching and preparing for an examination in October next. Her lessons will therefore be discontinued for the present.

" 11th Information sent to H.M. Inspector that Janet Leslie would not be able to attend the Collective Examination of Pupils Teachers ~~[illegible]~~ on the 13th of next month.

Sept. 16th. Visited School at 2.40 - Registers correctly entered.

J.B. Buchanan

" 20th Examined Upper Division of Infants in Reading & Mental Arithmetic. Gave a lesson on Glass to Stage I.
Last entry in this Log Book. H. Leslie.

1900.

Poulshot Church E. School.

Oct. 21st A new Log Book has been got for the school, the old one being full.
Henry, Lilian and Edith Gray have left this school having removed from the parish. Their names have been removed from the Registers.

" 28th The attendance has been rather lower than usual this week.

Oct. 1st Edith Godwin, Louisa Godwin, and Elizabeth Godwin have removed from this parish. Their names have been removed from the Register.
John Noyes, Arthur Noyes and Edgar Noyes have returned to this Parish and have been readmitted to this school.

" 8th Janet Leslie is absent being too ill to attend to her duties as Monitress.

" " Visit of Inspection (Arm & L)
W Bond

1900

15th Janet Leslie has resigned the post of Monitress owing to the present state of her health.

22nd. Notice read out and put up in school that this school will be inspected by the Diocesan Inspector on Wednesday the 14th November 1900 at 2 o'clock p.m.

26th. Two loads of coke have been got for the school. Fires are burnt in the Infant Room.

29th A supply of wood has been got for the school.

Dec. 2nd Have given Black-Board lessons in Decimal Fractions to the Upper classes this week.

9th Notice sent to H.M. Inspector that the school will be closed for Diocesan Inspection on Wednesday the 14th inst.

14th Diocesan Inspection.

15th Lesson to Stages I & II on the "Hedgehog".

21st Called names of those present, & found the entries correct.

J. B. Buchanan

1900

Nov. 22nd. School visited by Mr. A Mitchell. Attendance Officer.

" 28th. Attendance of Infants very low today owing to the heavy rain. 8 present in the morning and 16 in the afternoon

Dec. 7th. Heard the Upper Division of Infants read.

* Ethel Eddie Leslie is appointed to serve in this School under Art. 33 of the Code.

" 13th. Revised Geography of Stage II.

" 17th. Notice has been sent to H.M. Inspector that this School will be closed from Dec. 21st. 1900 to Jan. 7th 1901.

Examined Standards I & II in the elementary subjects.

" 18th. Examined Standards III — V. in elementary subjects.

" 20th. Gave Object lesson on the Onion to Stage I. Revised Geography of Stage I.

" 21st. Closed School for two weeks.

1901 Jan. 7th. Reopened School. 55 present in the morning. 60 in the afternoon.

" 18th. Frances Swanborough has been sent away for a change. A Medical Certificate stating that this is needed has been received.

* age 13 yrs.

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25th Taught the children a new song. The attendance for the week has been very fair.

29th Received information that H.M. Inspector will visit the School on Wednesday afternoon the 30th inst.

29th Received notice of aid Grant from the Department. amount, £13.0.0. Purposes for which it is made, (as specified on Form). Maintenance of increase of salaries made since passing of Vol. Schools Act viz.
Head Teachers 5.0.0; Assistants £5.0.0;
Extra monitors £3.0.0.

signed T. B. Buchanan
Correspondent.

30th Visited the School this afternoon.
Rutland. to [illegible]

Feb. 1st Efforts are being made to secure the services of a Monitress to take charge of the babies in the Infant Class. Since the resignation of Janet Leslie, temporary use has been made of Margaret Helen Leslie, and Grace Norma Leslie, two scholars in the 1st Class to fill the vacancy.
H. M. Inspector recommends that some definite appointment should be made as soon as possible

" 8th The Managers have not as yet been able to secure a Monitress.

" 13th Ellen Newman has been appointed Monitress for the present.

" 22nd New Maps of The British Isles, The Eastern Hemisphere & Palestine, Wall Sheets & Prints and a supply of Exercises & Stationery have been got.

28 Visited the School - called entries of those present - All answered.

J. B. Buchanan