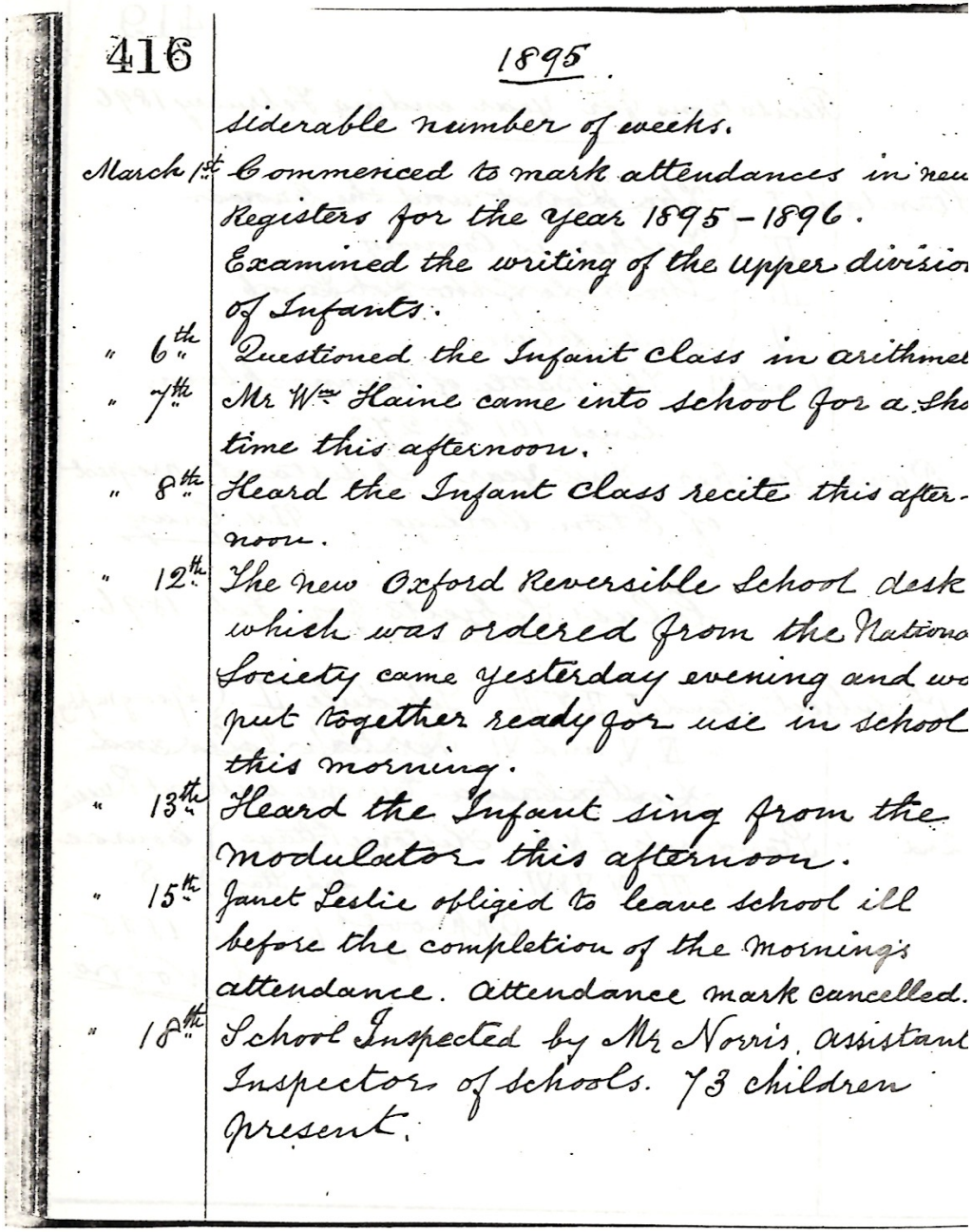
Poulshot School Log Book - school year 1895-96

Volume 1, pages 416-433 (18 pages)

Log book of Poulshot School kept by the headmaster, Hugh Leslie (1880-1915). Given to the Poulshot Village Trust by his granddaughter, with full rights to use and publish. Transcription: AWS Textract OCR corrected by Claude (AI) against the page image; it may contain errors - the page image is the authoritative record.

Produced 22 November 2026.


416

1895.

siderable number of weeks.

March 1st Commenced to mark attendances in new Registers for the year 1895 – 1896. Examined the writing of the upper division of Infants.

" 6th Questioned the Infant class in arithmet

" 7th Mr Wm Haine came into school for a Sho time this afternoon.

" 8th Heard the Infant class recite this afternoon.

" 12th The new Oxford Reversible School desk which was ordered from the National Society came yesterday evening and wa put together ready for use in school this morning.

" 13th Heard the Infant sing from the Modulator this afternoon.

" 15th Janet Leslie obliged to leave school ill before the completion of the morning's attendance. attendance mark cancelled.

" 18th School Inspected by Mr Norris. assistant Inspector of schools. 73 children present.

Page 416

(continued from previous page)
siderable number of weeks.

March 1st Commenced to mark attendances in new Registers for the year 1895 - 1896. Examined the writing of the upper division of Infants.

" 6th Questioned the Infant class in arithmetic

" 7th Mr Wm Haine came into school for a Short time this afternoon.

" 8th Heard the Infant class recite this afternoon.

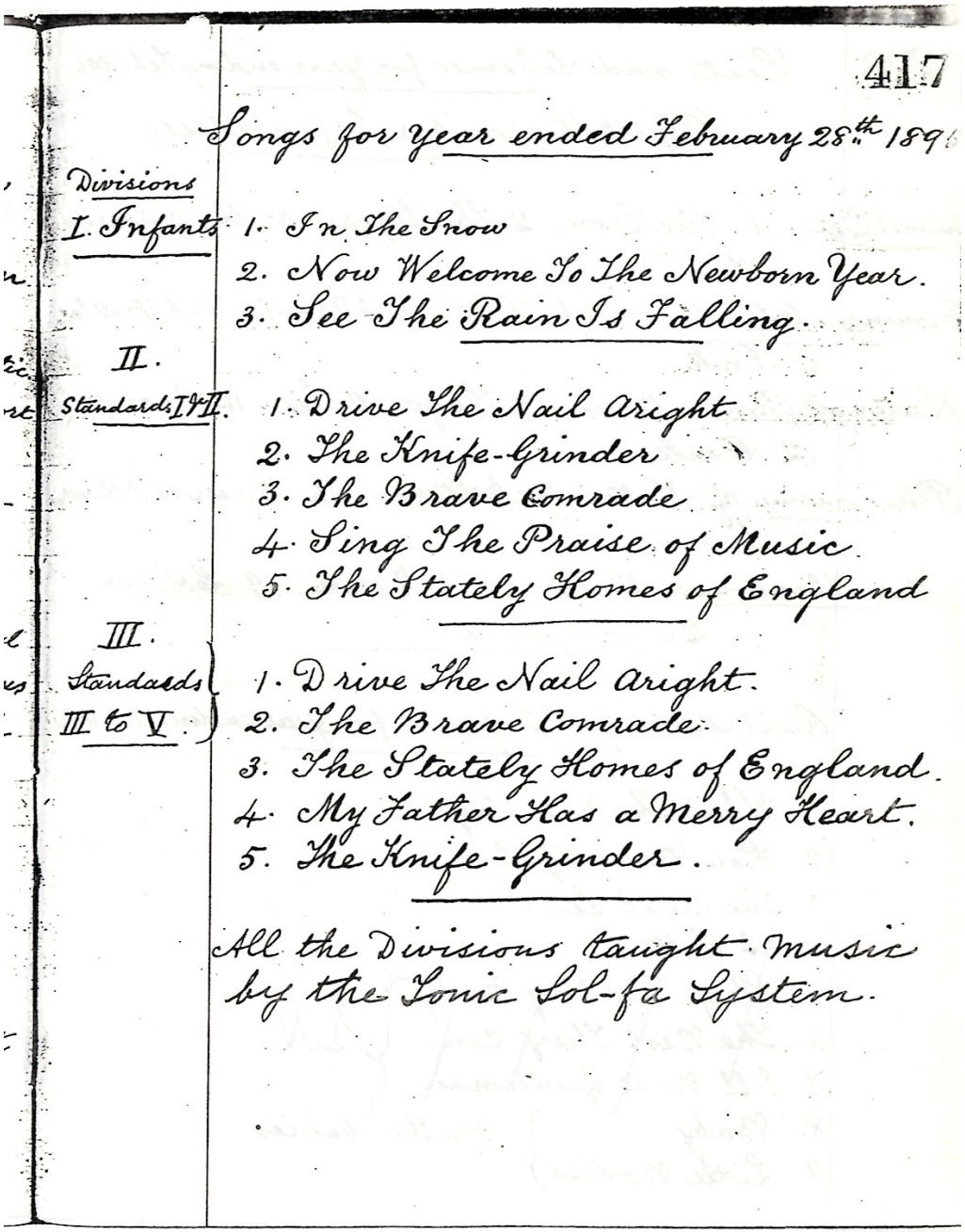
" 12th The new Oxford Reversible School desk which was ordered from the National Society came yesterday evening and was put together ready for use in school this morning.

" 13th Heard the Infant sing from the modulator this afternoon.

" 15th Janet Leslie obliged to leave school ill before the completion of the morning's attendance. attendance mark cancelled.

" 18th School Inspected by Mr Norris. assistant Inspector of schools. 73 children present.

Uncertain readings: Right edge of page is cropped: 'new', 'division', 'arithmetic', 'Short', 'National', 'was' are partly cut off and completed from context; 'Mr Wm Haine' – surname could be 'Haines' if a final letter is lost



417

Songs for year ended February 28th 189[illegible]

Divisions

I. Infants
1. In The Snow
2. Now Welcome To The Newborn Year.
3. See The Rain Is Falling.

II. Standards I & II.
1. Drive The Nail Aright
2. The Knife-Grinder
3. The Brave Comrade
4. Sing The Praise of Music
5. The Stately Homes of England

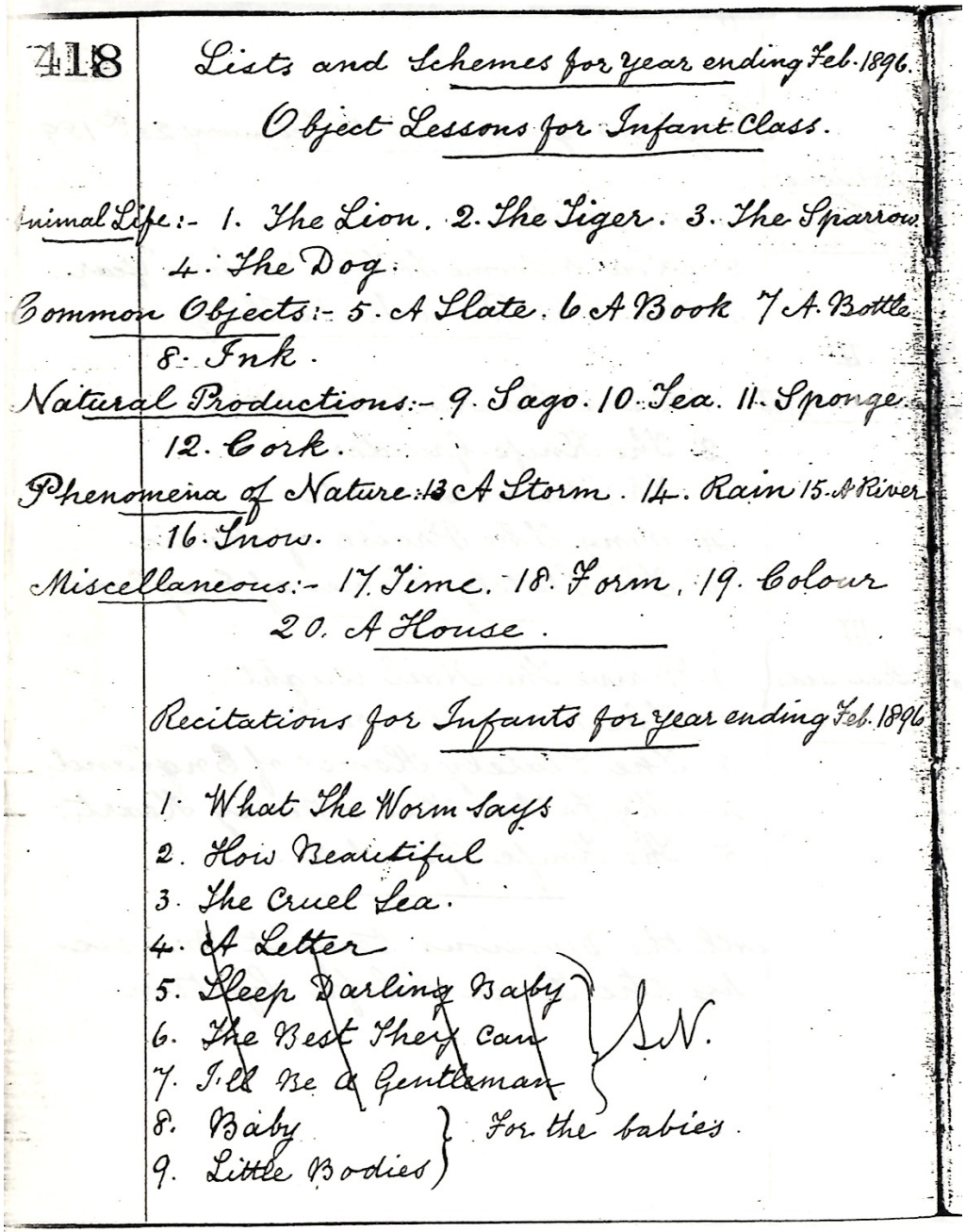
III. Standards III to V.
1. Drive The Nail Aright.
2. The Brave Comrade.
3. The Stately Homes of England.
4. My Father Has a Merry Heart.
5. The Knife-Grinder.

All the Divisions taught music by the Tonic Sol-fa System.

Page 417

Songs for year ended February 28th 189[illegible]. Divisions. I. Infants: 1. In The Snow 2. Now Welcome To The Newborn Year. 3. See The Rain Is Falling. II. Standards I & II.: 1. Drive The Nail aright 2. The Knife-Grinder 3. The Brave Comrade 4. Sing The Praise of Music 5. The Stately Homes of England. III. Standards III to V: 1. Drive The Nail aright. 2. The Brave Comrade. 3. The Stately Homes of England. 4. My Father Has a Merry Heart. 5. The Knife-Grinder. All the Divisions taught music by the Tonic Sol-fa System.

Uncertain readings: Final digit of year in heading '189_' is cut off at the page edge, so the exact year is unknown and header_year is set to 0; 'Standards I & II' is written as 'Standards I&II' with an ampersand-like mark; 'Standards' beside III to V could be misread as 'Standadds'; the pen strokes are unclear


418

Lists and Schemes for year ending Feb. 1896.

Object Lessons for Infant Class.

Animal Life:- 1. The Lion. 2. The Tiger. 3. The Sparrow. 4. The Dog.

Common Objects:- 5. A Slate. 6 A Book 7 A. Bottle 8. Ink.

Natural Productions:- 9. Sago. 10. Tea. 11. Sponge. 12. Cork.

Phenomena of Nature:- 13 A Storm. 14. Rain 15. A River 16. Snow.

Miscellaneous:- 17. Time. 18. Form. 19. Colour 20. A House.

Recitations for Infants for year ending Feb. 1896

1. What The Worm says
2. How Beautiful
3. The Cruel Sea.
4. A Letter
5. Sleep Darling Baby
6. The Best They can
7. I'll Be A Gentleman

} S.N.

8. Baby
9. Little Bodies

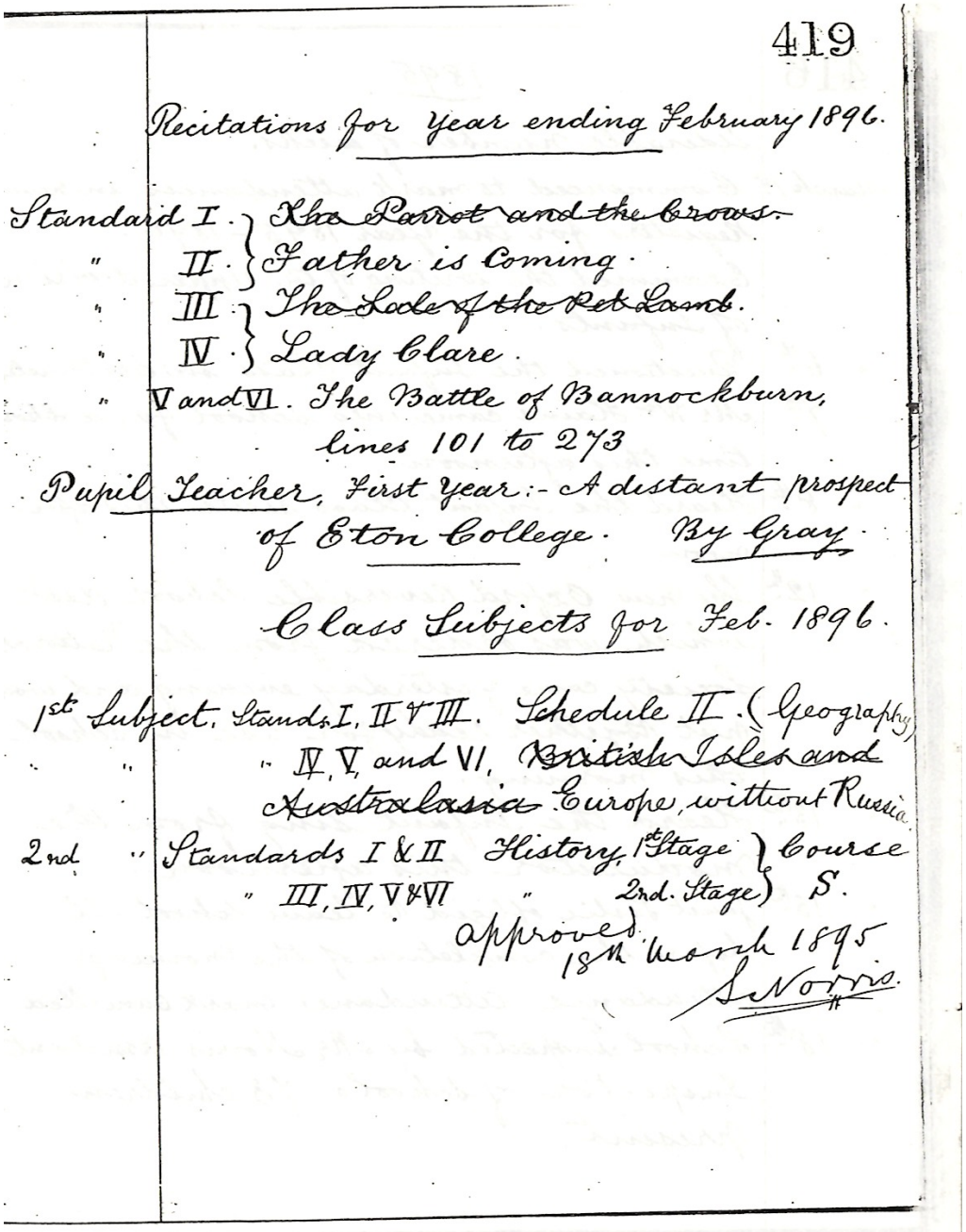
} For the babies.

Page 418

Lists and Schemes for year ending Feb. 1896. Object Lessons for Infant Class. Animal Life:- 1. The Lion. 2. The Tiger. 3. The Sparrow. 4. The Dog. Common Objects:- 5. A Slate. 6 A Book 7 A. Bottle. 8. Ink. Natural Productions:- 9. Sago. 10. Tea. 11. Sponge. 12. Cork. Phenomena of Nature:- 13 A Storm. 14. Rain 15. A River 16. Snow. Miscellaneous:- 17. Time. 18. Form. 19. Colour 20. A House.

Recitations for Infants for year ending Feb. 1896. 1. What The Worm says 2. How Beautiful 3. The Cruel Sea. 4. A Letter 5. Sleep Darling Baby 6. The Best They can 7. I'll Be A Gentleman (S.N.) 8. Baby 9. Little Bodies (For the babies.)

Uncertain readings: Page number reads 418 but the final digit may be written over another figure; First letter of 'Animal Life' is cut off at the page edge; Items 4–7 of the recitations are struck through with diagonal lines; 'S.N.' bracketed beside 5–7 is in a different hand, possibly an inspector's or another teacher's initials; '6. The Best They can': the word 'They' is crossed by a stroke, so the reading is uncertain



419

Recitations for Year ending February 1896.

Standard I. } Kha Parrot and the Crows.
" II. } Father is Coming.
" III. } Tha Lode of the Pet Lamb.
" IV. } Lady Clare.
" V and VI. The Battle of Bannockburn, lines 101 to 273

Pupil Teacher, First year:- A distant prospect of Eton College. By Gray.

Class Subjects for Feb. 1896.

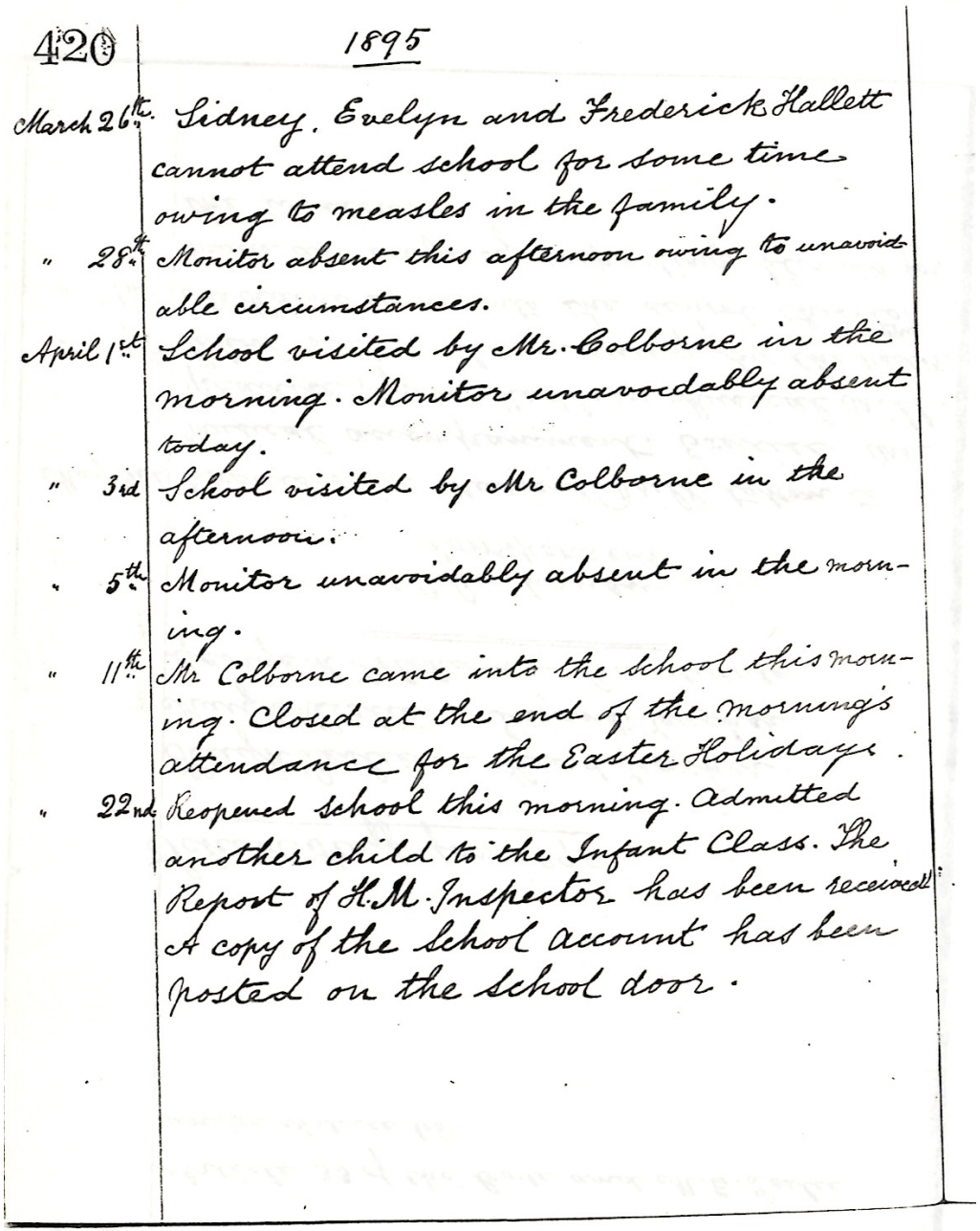
1st Subject. Stands I, II & III. Schedule II. (Geography)
" " IV, V, and VI, ~~British Isles and Australasia~~ Europe, without Russia.
2nd " Standards I & II History, 1st Stage } Course
" III, IV, V & VI " 2nd. Stage } S.

Approved.
18th March 1895
S. Norris.

Page 419

18th March 1895 Recitations for year ending February 1896. Standard I. & II. ~~The Parrot and the Crows.~~ Father is Coming. Standards III & IV ~~The [Tale?] of the Pet Lamb.~~ Lady Clare. Standards V and VI. The Battle of Bannockburn, lines 101 to 273. Pupil Teacher, First year:- A distant prospect of Eton College. By Gray. Class Subjects for Feb. 1896. 1st Subject. Stands. I, II & III. Schedule II. (Geography) Stands. IV, V, and VI. ~~British Isles and Australasia~~ Europe, without Russia. 2nd Subject. Standards I & II History, 1st Stage; Standards III, IV, V & VI History, 2nd. Stage. Course S. approved 18th March 1895 S. Norris

Uncertain readings: Struck-through Standard III/IV piece read as 'The [Tale?] of the Pet Lamb' (probably Wordsworth's 'The Pet-Lamb'); first word of the deleted text is unclear; Struck-through Standard I/II piece read as 'The Parrot and the Crows' (OCR 'Kh Parrot and the brows'); No standalone year written at the top. The heading reads 'February 1896', but the approval is dated 18th March 1895, so header_year is set to 0; Strikethroughs are shown as ~~text~~; Signature read as 'S. Norris'; that this is the HM Inspector is inferred from the approval of the syllabus; 'Course S.' after the history stages: the letter S is probable


420 1895

March 26th. Sidney. Evelyn and Frederick Hallett cannot attend school for some time owing to measles in the family.

" 28th. Monitor absent this afternoon owing to unavoidable circumstances.

April 1st. School visited by Mr. Colborne in the morning. Monitor unavoidably absent today.

" 3rd. School visited by Mr Colborne in the afternoon.

" 5th. Monitor unavoidably absent in the morning.

" 11th. Mr Colborne came into the school this morning. Closed at the end of the morning's attendance for the Easter Holidays.

" 22nd. Reopened school this morning. Admitted another child to the Infant Class. The Report of H.M. Inspector has been received A copy of the School account has been posted on the school door.

Page 420

March 26th Sidney. Evelyn and Frederick Hallett cannot attend school for some time owing to measles in the family.

" 28th Monitor absent this afternoon owing to unavoidable circumstances.

April 1st School visited by Mr. Colborne in the morning. Monitor unavoidably absent today.

" 3rd School visited by Mr Colborne in the afternoon.

" 5th Monitor unavoidably absent in the morning.

" 11th Mr Colborne came into the school this morning. Closed at the end of the morning's attendance for the Easter Holidays.

" 22nd Reopened school this morning. admitted another child to the Infant Class. The Report of H.M. Inspector has been received A copy of the School account has been posted on the school door.

Uncertain readings: Punctuation after 'Sidney' reads as a full stop but may be a comma; Mr Colborne's role is not stated on the page; 'manager' is a guess based on his repeated visits; There is a faint mark after 'received' at the right edge, possibly a stray stop or colon

Summary of the Inspector's Report.

Mixed School. "The children are orderly. They read fairly well, but do not appear to understand much of what they read. Writing is fairly good, Composition and Arithmetic are fair, Spelling is weak. On the whole, a fair knowledge is shown of Geography: Needlework and Singing are fairly good. Blinds must be procured for the windows, and more of the windows must be made to open."

Infants' Class. The infants are orderly and are making fair progress in the elementary subjects. Object Lessons are fair and Kindergarten exercises have been taught. Singing is fairly good."

The defects in the premises referred to by H.M. Inspector in the concluding sentence of his report upon the Mixed Department should be at once remedied (Article 85(a) of the Code).

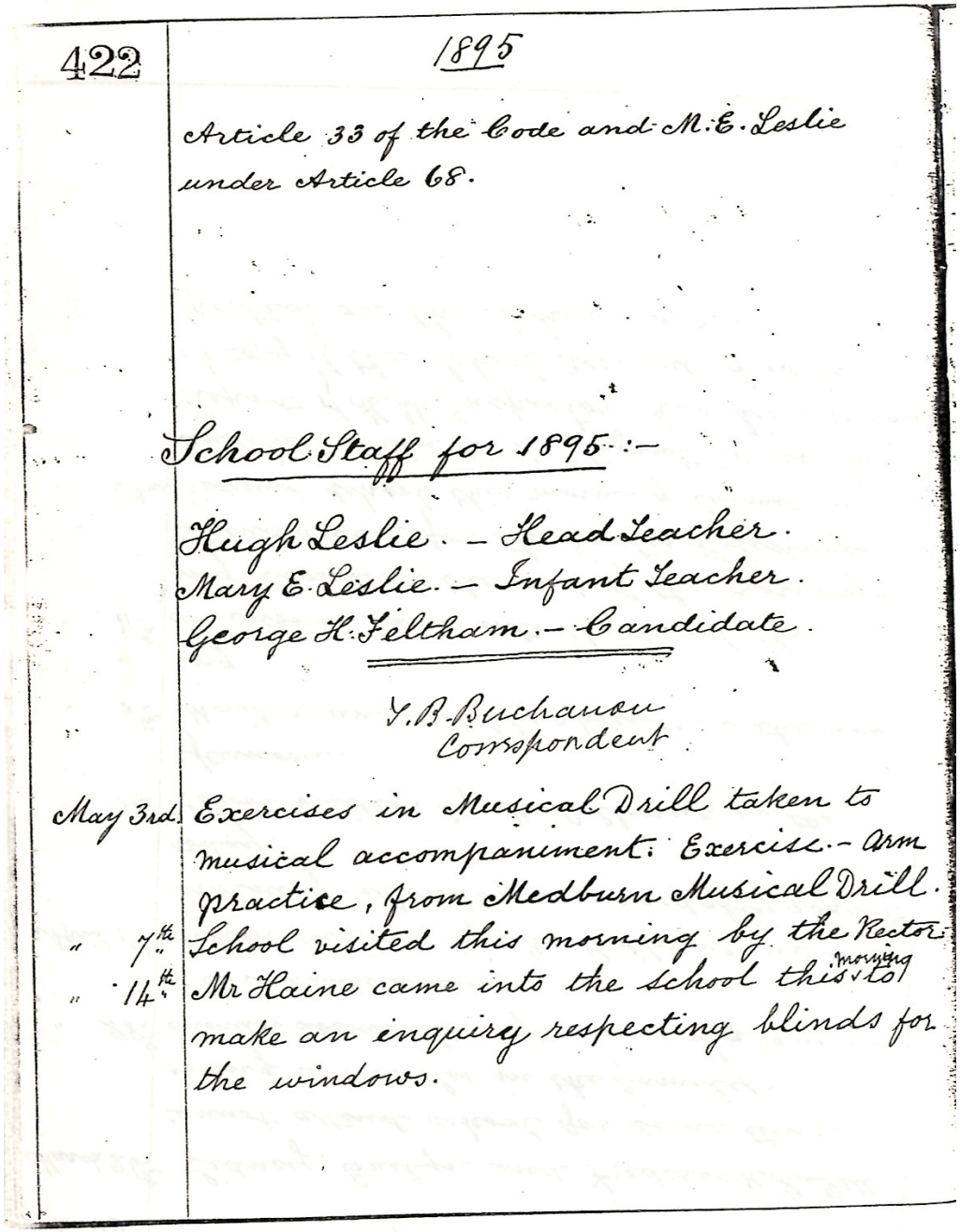
G. H. Feltham is recognised under

(Over.

Page 421

Summary of the Inspector's Report. Mixed School. "The children are orderly. They read fairly well, but do not appear to understand much of what they read. Writing is fairly good, Composition and Arithmetic are fair, Spelling is weak. On the whole, a fair knowledge is shown of Geography: Needlework and Singing are fairly good. Blinds must be procured for the windows, and more of the windows must be made to open." Infants' Class. The infants are orderly and are making fair progress in the elementary subjects. Object Lessons are fair and Kindergarten exercises have been taught. Singing is fairly good." The defects in the premises referred to by H.M. Inspector in the concluding sentence of his report upon the Mixed Department should be at once remedied (Article 85(a) of the Code). G. H. Feltham is recognised under (Over.

Uncertain readings: The page has no year at the top, so header_year is 0 and the entry is undated.; The Infants' Class quotation has a closing quote mark but no opening one; I've left it as written.; The sentence about G. H. Feltham carries on overleaf, so the Article Feltham is recognised under, and Feltham's role, aren't known from this page.



422

1895

Article 33 of the Code and M.E. Leslie under Article 68.

School Staff for 1895 :-

Hugh Leslie. - Head Teacher.
Mary E. Leslie. - Infant Teacher.
George H. Feltham. - Candidate.

T.B. Buchanan
Correspondent

May 3rd. Exercises in Musical Drill taken to musical accompaniment. Exercise. - Arm practice, from Medburn Musical Drill.

" 7th. School visited this morning by the Rector.

" 14th. Mr Haine came into the school this morning to make an enquiry respecting blinds for the windows.

Page 422

(continued from previous page)

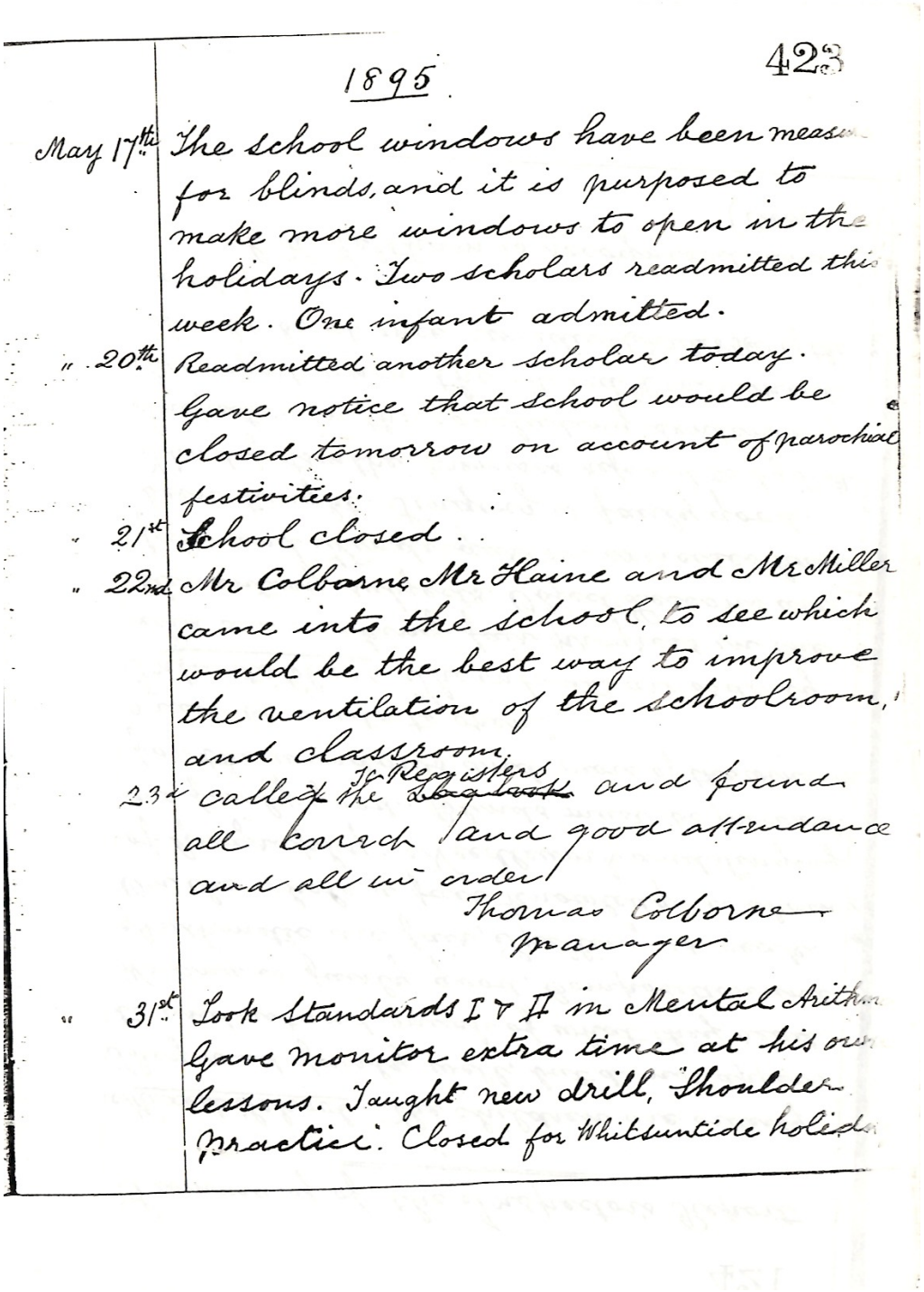
Article 33 of the Code and M. E. Leslie under Article 68. School Staff for 1895 :- Hugh Leslie. - Head Teacher. Mary E. Leslie. - Infant Teacher. George H. Feltham. - Candidate. T. B. Buchanan Correspondent.

May 3rd. Exercises in Musical Drill taken to musical accompaniment. Exercise. - Arm practice, from Medburn Musical Drill.

" 7th " School visited this morning by the Rector.

" 14th " Mr Haine came into the school this morning to make an inquiry respecting blinds for the windows.

Uncertain readings: 'Medburn' Musical Drill: the name of the drill manual is clear in form but not identified; Correspondent's signature read as 'T. B. Buchanan'; the final letter looks like 'u' but is probably 'n'; 'Head Teacher' / 'Infant Teacher': the capital T looks like an L in the script



1895 423

May 17th The school windows have been measu[red] for blinds, and it is purposed to make more windows to open in the holidays. Two scholars readmitted this week. One infant admitted.

" 20th Readmitted another scholar today. Gave notice that school would be closed tomorrow on account of parochial festivities.

" 21st School closed.

" 22nd Mr Colborne, Mr Haine and Mr Miller came into the school, to see which would be the best way to improve the ventilation of the schoolroom, and classroom.

23rd called the Registers and found all corrch and good attendance and all in order

Thomas Colborne
Manager

" 31st Took Standards I & II in Mental Arithm[etic] Gave monitor extra time at his own lessons. Taught new drill, "Shoulder practice". Closed for Whitsuntide holida[ys]

Page 423

May 17th The school windows have been measured for blinds, and it is purposed to make more windows to open in the holidays. Two scholars readmitted this week. One infant admitted.

" 20th Readmitted another scholar today. Gave notice that school would be closed tomorrow on account of parochial festivities.

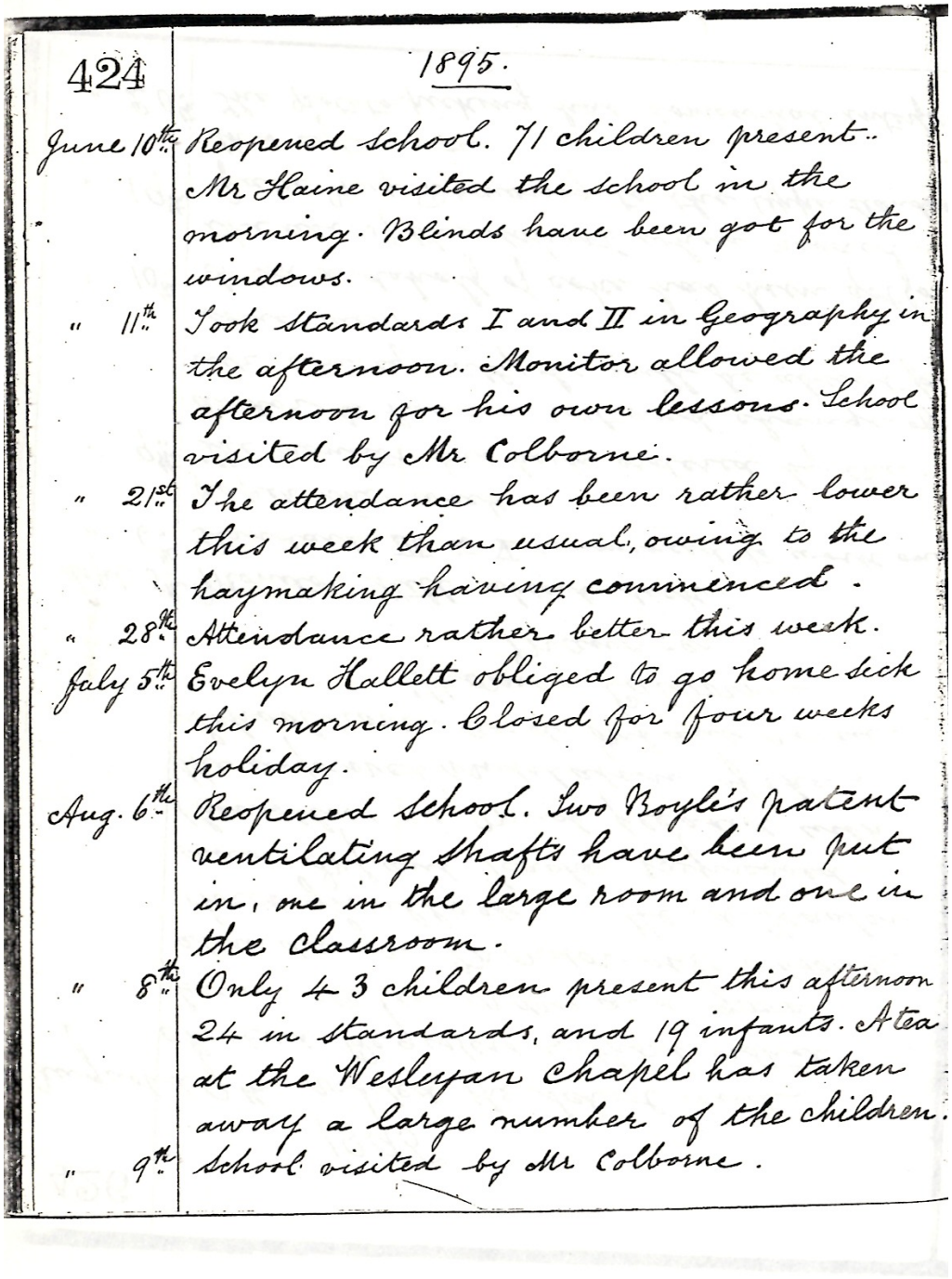
" 21st School closed.

" 22nd Mr Colborne, Mr Haine and Mr Miller came into the school, to see which would be the best way to improve the ventilation of the schoolroom, and classroom.

23rd called the Registers and found all correct and good attendance and all in order Thomas Colborne Manager

" 31st Took Standards I & II in Mental Arithmetic Gave monitor extra time at his own lessons. Taught new drill, "Shoulder practice". Closed for Whitsuntide holidays

Uncertain readings: Page number: third digit partly cut off; read as 423; 23rd entry, first word read as 'called' (written 'calle' plus a flourish); might be another verb; 23rd entry: 'Logbook' struck through, with 'Registers' written above; there is a small mark before it, possibly a stray 'Th'; 23rd entry: 'correct' is written roughly (looks like 'corrch'); 'Mr Haine': surname spelling uncertain; Right-margin words cut off: 'measu[red]', 'Arithm[etic]', 'holida[ys]'; 'Took' / 'Two' / 'Taught': the capital T in this hand looks like L or I



424 1895.

June 10th Reopened school. 71 children present.. Mr Haine visited the school in the morning. Blinds have been got for the windows.

" 11th Took standards I and II in Geography in the afternoon. Monitor allowed the afternoon for his own lessons. School visited by Mr Colborne.

" 21st The attendance has been rather lower this week than usual, owing to the haymaking having commenced.

" 28th Attendance rather better this week.

July 5th Evelyn Hallett obliged to go home sick this morning. Closed for four weeks holiday.

Aug. 6th Reopened school. Two Boyle's patent ventilating shafts have been put in, one in the large room and one in the classroom.

" 8th Only 4 3 children present this afternoon 24 in standards, and 19 infants. A tea at the Wesleyan chapel has taken away a large number of the children.

" 9th School visited by Mr Colborne.

Page 424

June 10th Reopened school. 71 children present.. Mr Haine visited the school in the morning. Blinds have been got for the windows.

" 11th Took Standards I and II in Geography in the afternoon. Monitor allowed the afternoon for his own lessons. School visited by Mr Colborne.

" 21st The attendance has been rather lower this week than usual, owing to the haymaking having commenced.

" 28th Attendance rather better this week.

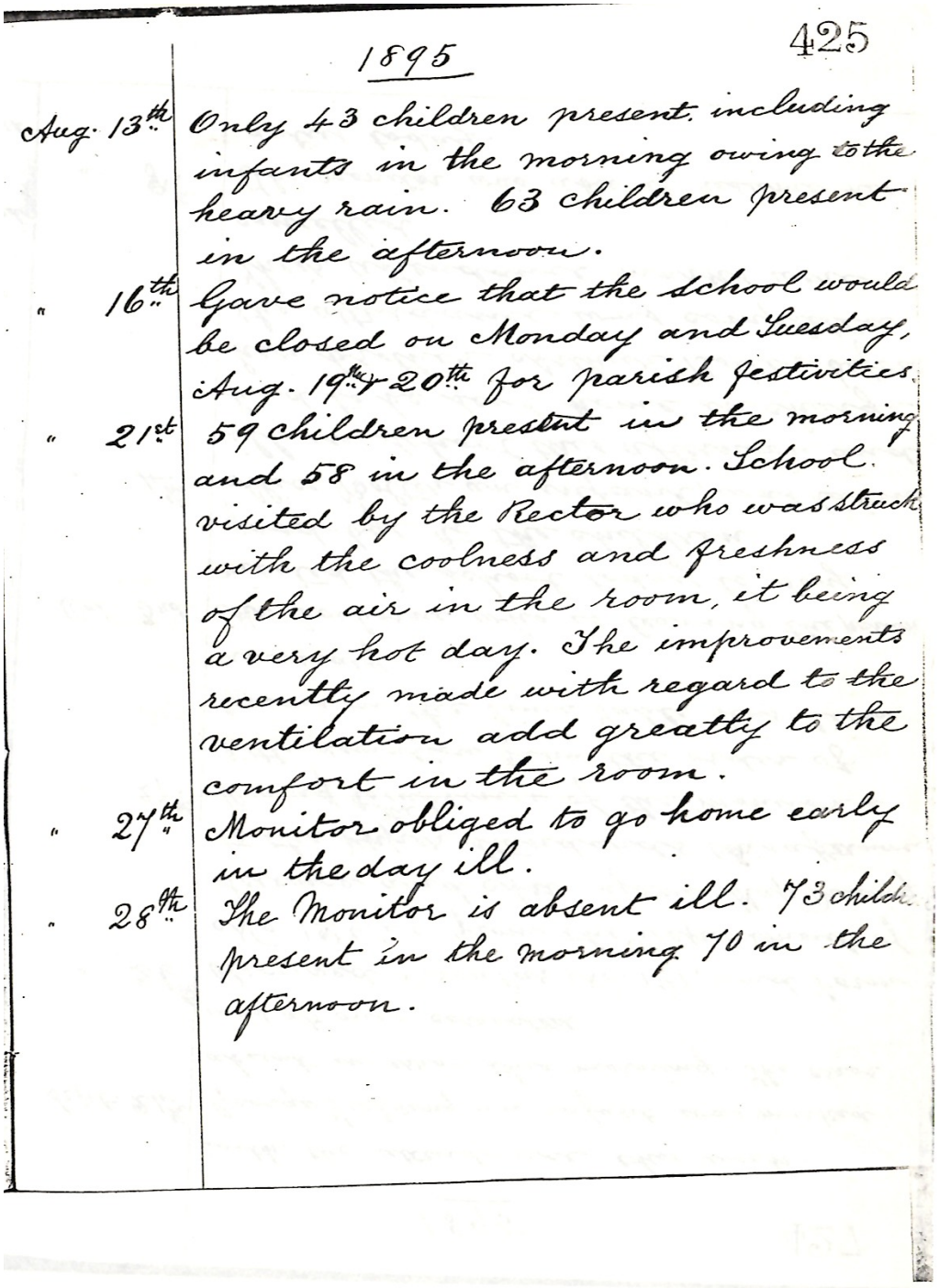
July 5th Evelyn Hallett obliged to go home sick this morning. Closed for four weeks holiday.

Aug. 6th Reopened School. Two Boyle's patent ventilating shafts have been put in, one in the large room and one in the classroom.

" 8th Only 4 3 children present this afternoon 24 in Standards, and 19 infants. A tea at the Wesleyan chapel has taken away a large number of the children.

" 9th School visited by Mr Colborne.

Uncertain readings: 'Mr Haine' — possibly 'Mr Hame'; reading follows the clearest letter forms; 'Only 4 3 children' — written with a gap between the digits, i.e. 43 (24 + 19); Mr Colborne's role as manager is assumed, based on his repeated visits



1895 425

Aug. 13th Only 43 children present. including infants in the morning owing to the heavy rain. 63 children present in the afternoon.

" 16th Gave notice that the school would be closed on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19th & 20th for parish festivities.

" 21st 59 children present in the morning and 58 in the afternoon. School visited by the Rector who was struck with the coolness and freshness of the air in the room, it being a very hot day. The improvements recently made with regard to the ventilation add greatly to the comfort in the room.

" 27th Monitor obliged to go home early in the day ill.

" 28th The Monitor is absent ill. 73 childr[illegible] present in the morning 70 in the afternoon.

Page 425

Aug. 13th Only 43 children present. including infants in the morning owing to the heavy rain. 63 children present in the afternoon.

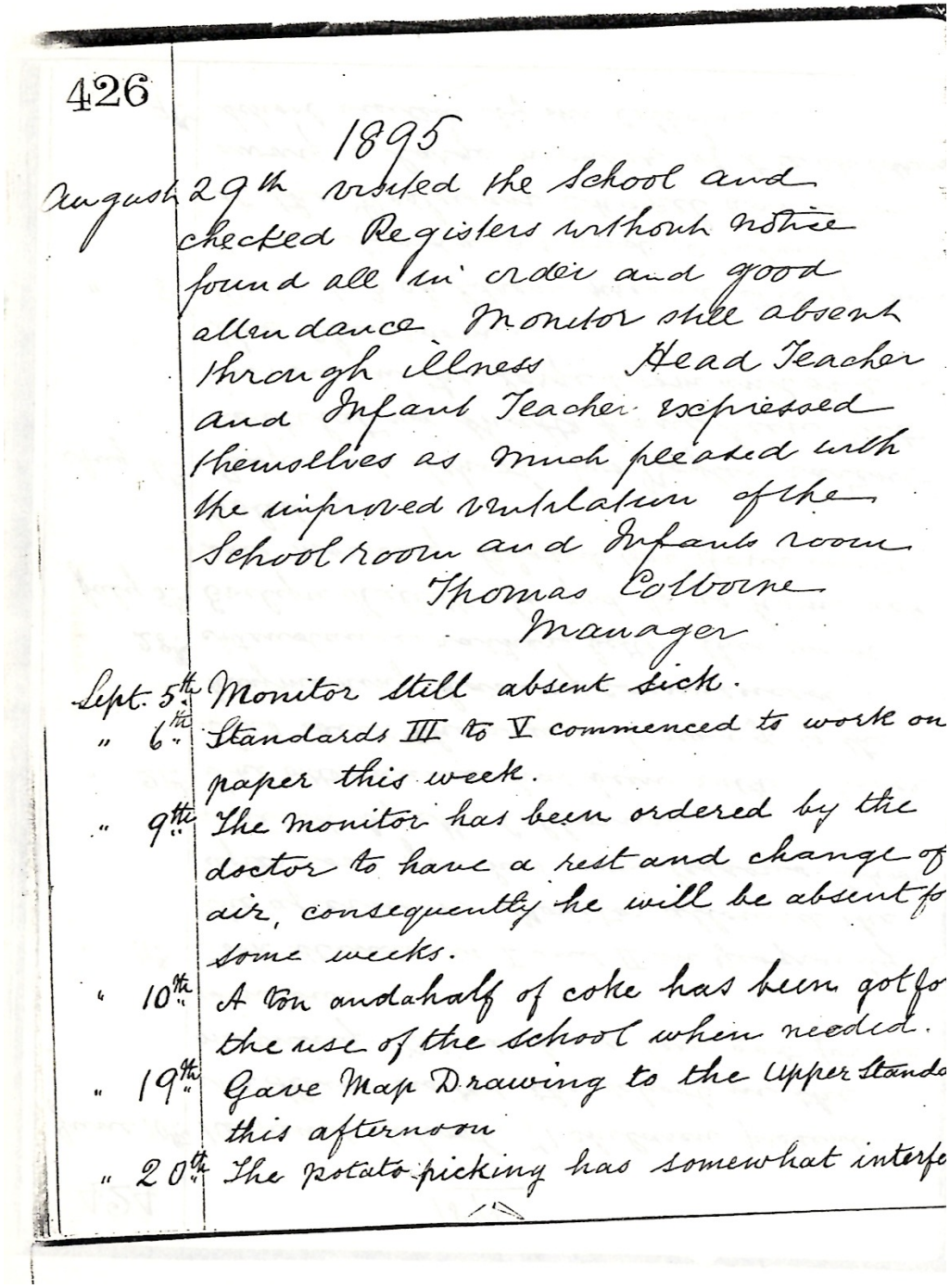
" 16th Gave notice that the school would be closed on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19th & 20th for parish festivities.

" 21st 59 children present in the morning and 58 in the afternoon. School visited by the Rector who was struck with the coolness and freshness of the air in the room, it being a very hot day. The improvements recently made with regard to the ventilation add greatly to the comfort in the room.

" 27th Monitor obliged to go home early in the day ill.

" 28th The Monitor is absent ill. 73 children present in the morning 70 in the afternoon.

Uncertain readings: 'present. including' - mark after 'present' may be a comma or a stray dot; '19th & 20th' - joining symbol read as ampersand; '73 childr[en?]' - word cut off at right edge of page


426

1895

August 29th visited the School and checked Registers without notice found all in order and good attendance Monitor still absent through illness Head Teacher and Infant Teacher expressed themselves as much pleased with the improved ventilation of the School room and Infants room

Thomas Colborne
Manager

Sept. 5th Monitor still absent sick.
" 6th Standards III to V commenced to work on paper this week.
" 9th The monitor has been ordered by the doctor to have a rest and change of air, consequently he will be absent fo some weeks.
" 10th A ton andahalf of coke has been got fo the use of the school when needed.
" 19th Gave Map Drawing to the Upper Stands this afternoon
" 20th The potato picking has somewhat interfe

Page 426

August 29th visited the School and checked Registers without notice found all in order and good attendance Monitor still absent through illness Head Teacher and Infant Teacher expressed themselves as much pleased with the improved ventilation of the School room and Infants room Thomas Colborne Manager

Sept. 5th Monitor still absent sick.

" 6th Standards III to V commenced to work on paper this week.

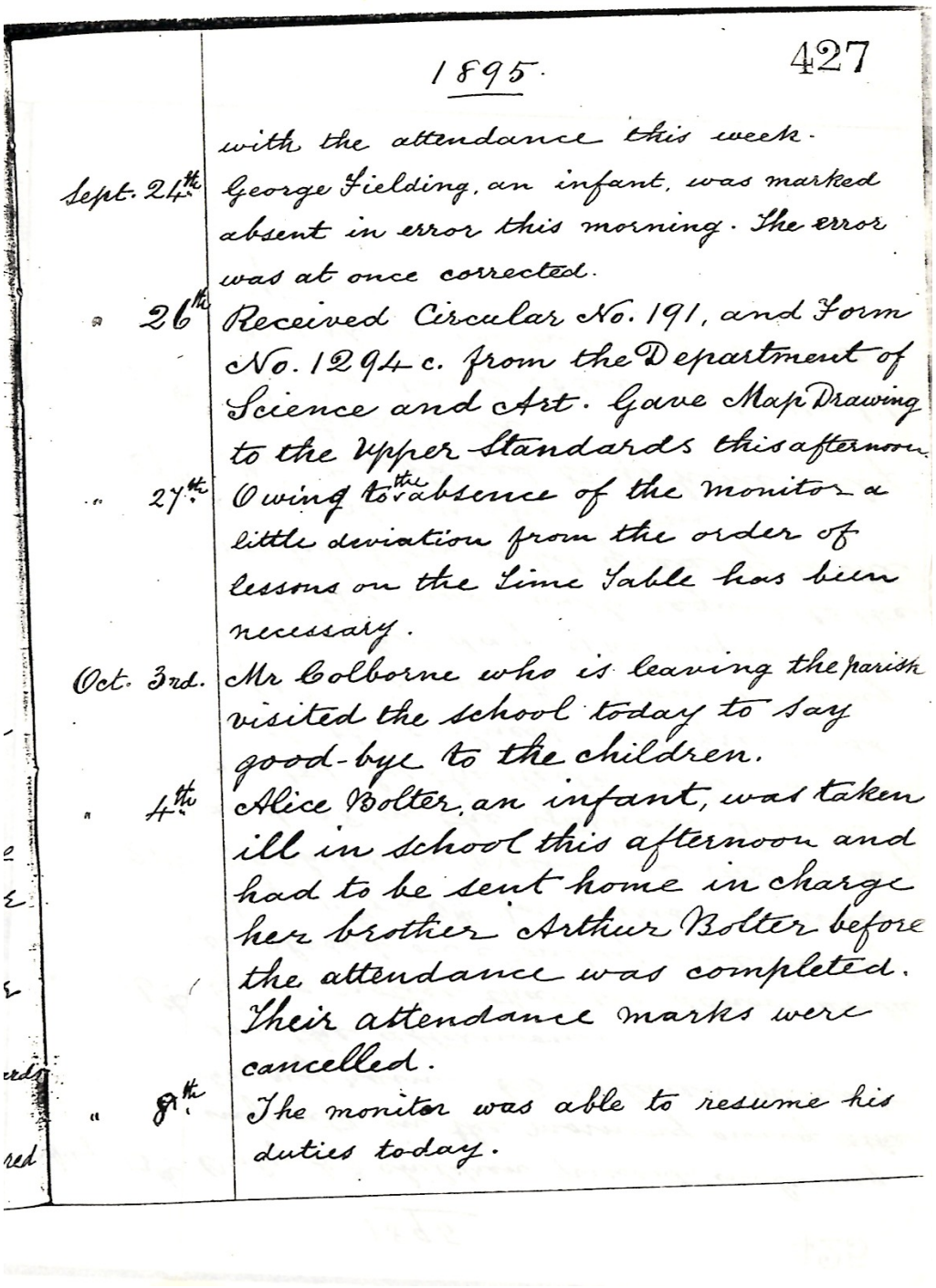
" 9th The monitor has been ordered by the doctor to have a rest and change of air, consequently he will be absent for some weeks.

" 10th A ton andahalf of coke has been got for the use of the school when needed.

" 19th Gave Map Drawing to the Upper Standards this afternoon

" 20th The potato picking has somewhat interfered [continues on next page]

Uncertain readings: Right-hand edge cut off in scan: 'fo[r]' (twice), 'Upper Standa[rds]', 'interfe[red]' are completed by inference; 'ventilation' could be written 'ventilatin' (the hand is cramped); 'Colborne': the OCR read 'Collorne', but the signature looks like 'Colborne'; 'andahalf' is written as one word



1895. 427

with the attendance this week.

Sept. 24th George Fielding, an infant, was marked absent in error this morning. The error was at once corrected.

" 26th Received Circular No. 191, and Form No. 1294c. from the Department of Science and Art. Gave Map Drawing to the Upper Standards this afternoon

" 27th Owing to the absence of the monitor a little deviation from the order of lessons on the Time Table has been necessary.

Oct. 3rd. Mr Colborne who is leaving the parish visited the school today to say good-bye to the children.

" 4th Alice Bolter, an infant, was taken ill in school this afternoon and had to be sent home in charge her brother Arthur Bolter before the attendance was completed. Their attendance marks were cancelled.

" 8th The monitor was able to resume his duties today.

Page 427

(continued from previous page)
with the attendance this week.

Sept. 24th George Fielding, an infant, was marked absent in error this morning. The error was at once corrected.

" 26th Received Circular No. 191, and Form No. 1294c. from the Department of Science and Art. Gave Map Drawing to the Upper Standards this afternoon

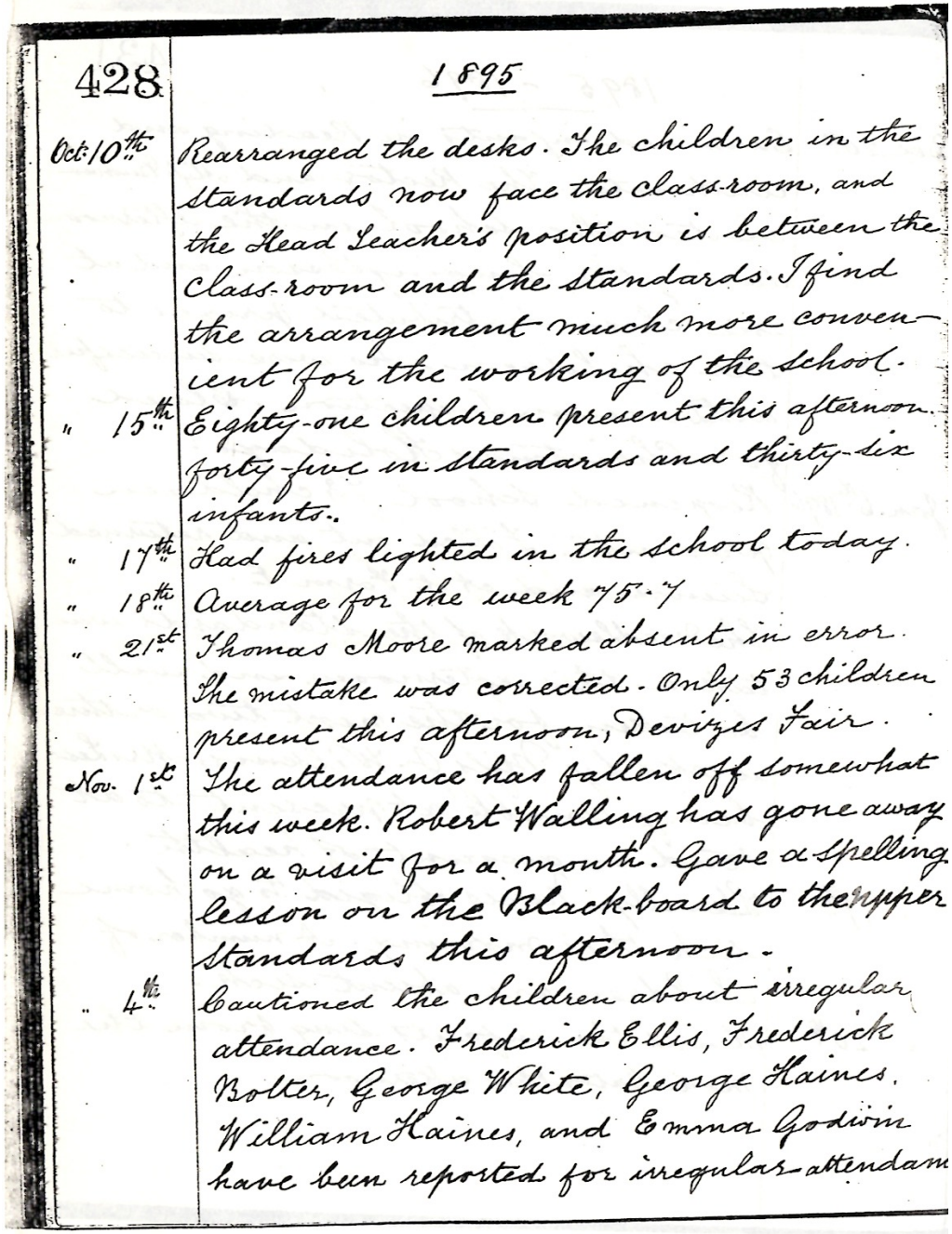
" 27th Owing to the absence of the monitor a little deviation from the order of lessons on the Time Table has been necessary.

Oct. 3rd. Mr Colborne who is leaving the parish visited the school today to say good-bye to the children.

" 4th Alice Bolter, an infant, was taken ill in school this afternoon and had to be sent home in charge her brother Arthur Bolter before the attendance was completed. Their attendance marks were cancelled.

" 8th The monitor was able to resume his duties today.

Uncertain readings: 'the' is inserted above the line between 'to' and 'absence' in the 27th Sept entry; transcribed inline; 'in charge her brother': 'of' omitted by the writer; Margin date '8th' may be written over another digit (possibly 9th); 'Time Table': the writer's T resembles L/S, which led the OCR to read 'Lime Sable'



428 1895

Oct: 10th Rearranged the desks. The children in the standards now face the class-room, and the Head Teacher's position is between the class-room and the standards. I find the arrangement much more convenient for the working of the school.

" 15th Eighty-one children present this afternoon. forty-five in standards and thirty-six infants..

" 17th Had fires lighted in the school today.

" 18th Average for the week 75.7

" 21st Thomas Moore marked absent in error. The mistake was corrected. Only 53 children present this afternoon, Devizes Fair.

Nov. 1st The attendance has fallen off somewhat this week. Robert Walling has gone away on a visit for a month. Gave a spelling lesson on the Black-board to the upper standards this afternoon.

" 4th Cautioned the children about irregular attendance. Frederick Ellis, Frederick Bolter, George White, George Haines. William Haines, and Emma Godwin have been reported for irregular attendam

Page 428

Oct:10th Rearranged the desks. The children in the standards now face the class-room, and the Head Teacher's position is between the class-room and the standards. I find the arrangement much more convenient for the working of the school.

" 15th Eighty-one children present this afternoon. forty-five in standards and thirty-six infants..

" 17th Had fires lighted in the school today.

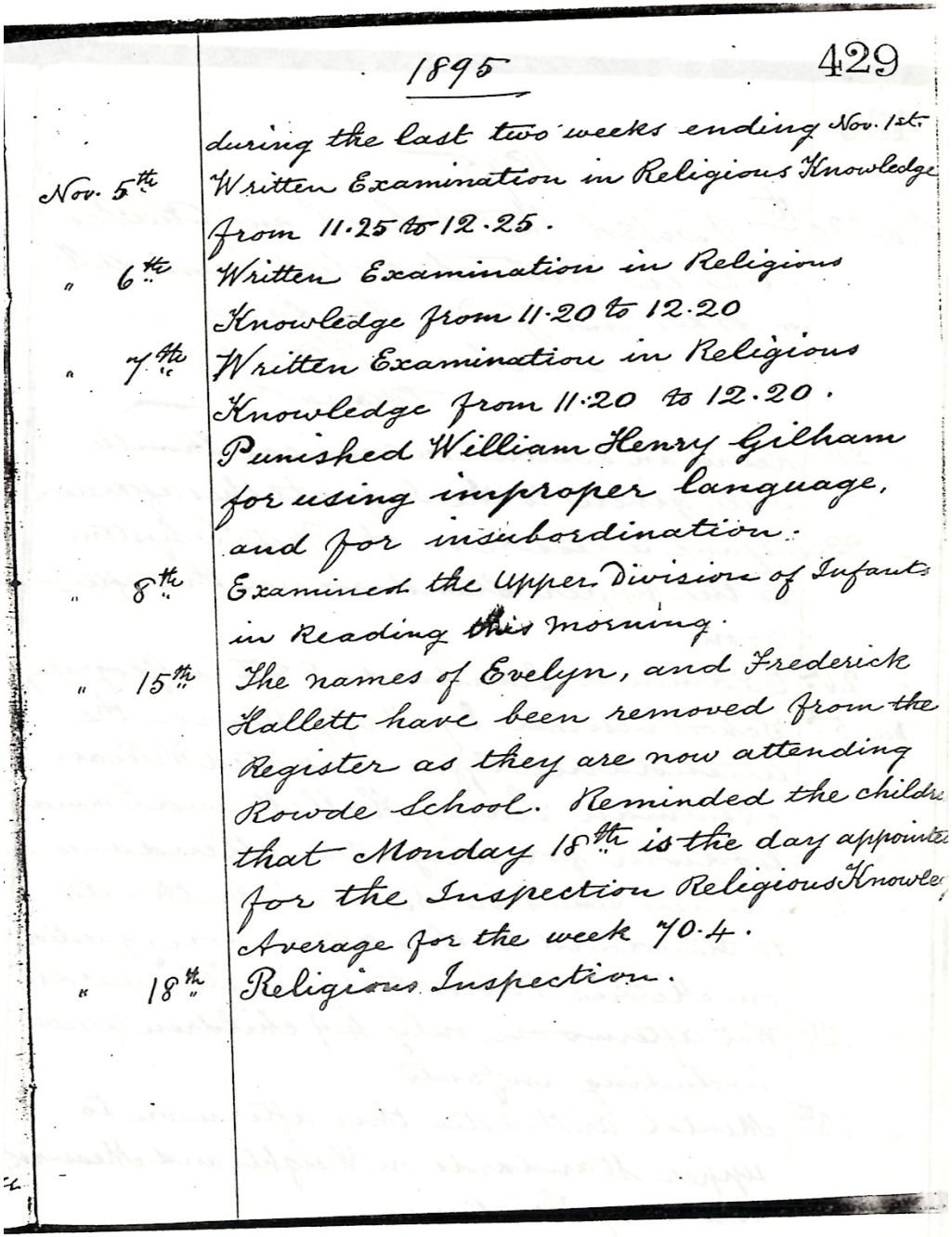
" 18th Average for the week 75.7

" 21st Thomas Moore marked absent in error. The mistake was corrected. Only 53 children present this afternoon, Devizes Fair.

Nov. 1st The attendance has fallen off somewhat this week. Robert Walling has gone away on a visit for a month. Gave a spelling lesson on the Black-board to the upper standards this afternoon.

" 4th Cautioned the children about irregular attendance. Frederick Ellis, Frederick Bolter, George White, George Haines. William Haines, and Emma Godwin have been reported for irregular attendan[ce?]

Uncertain readings: Last word runs off the page edge: 'attendan[ce?]'; 'the upper' is written run together as 'theupper'



1895 429

during the last two weeks ending Nov. 1st.

Nov. 5th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.25 to 12.25.

" 6th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.20 to 12.20

" 7th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.20 to 12.20. Punished William Henry Gilham for using improper language, and for insubordination.

" 8th Examined the Upper Division of Infants in Reading this morning.

" 15th The names of Evelyn, and Frederick Hallett have been removed from the Register as they are now attending Rowde School. Reminded the childr that Monday 18th is the day appointe for the Inspection Religious Knowle Average for the week 70.4.

" 18th Religious Inspection.

Page 429

(continued from previous page)
during the last two weeks ending Nov. 1st.

Nov. 5th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.25 to 12.25.

" 6th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.20 to 12.20

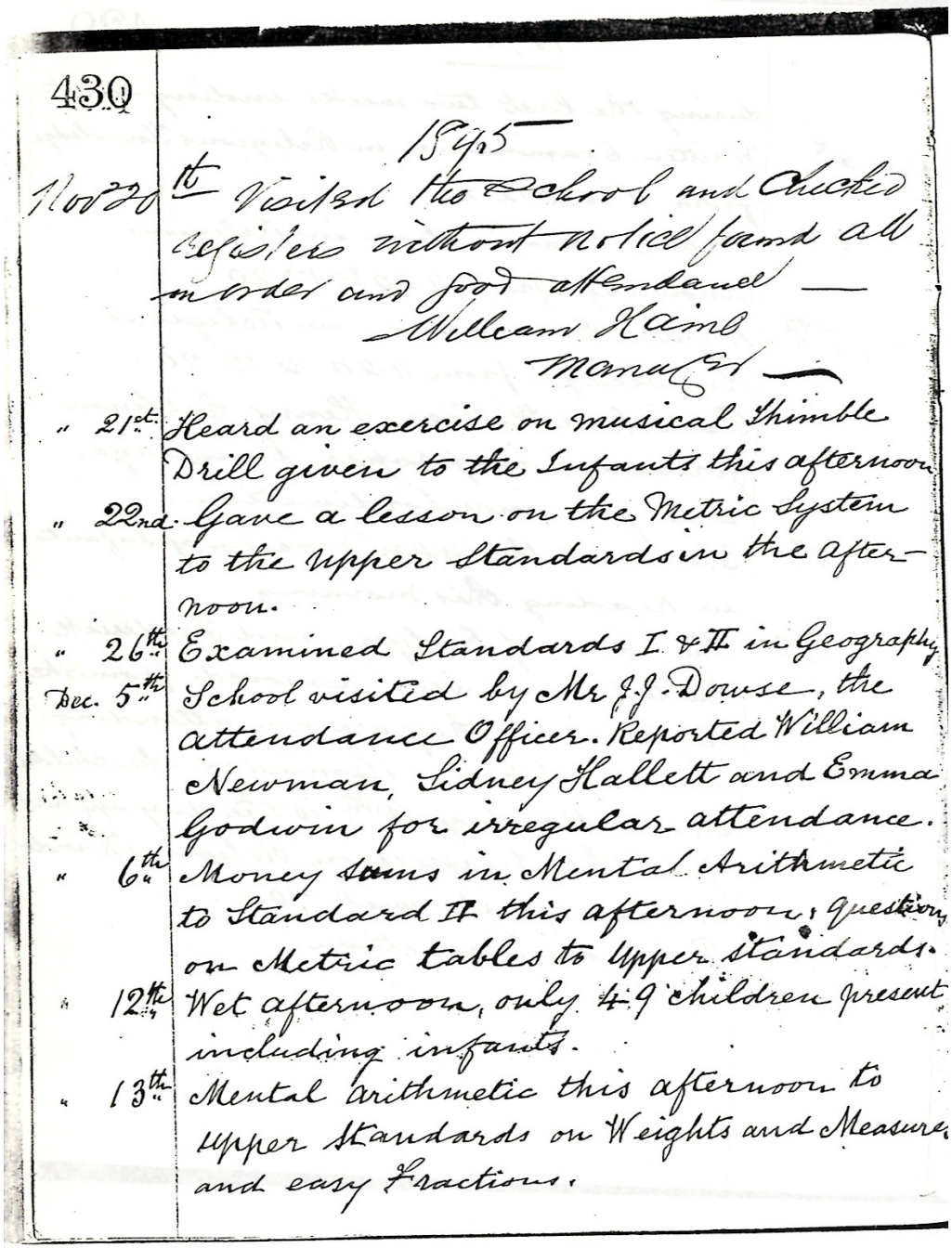
" 7th Written Examination in Religious Knowledge from 11.20 to 12.20. Punished William Henry Gilham for using improper language, and for insubordination.

" 8th Examined the Upper Division of Infants in Reading this morning.

" 15th The names of Evelyn, and Frederick Hallett have been removed from the Register as they are now attending Rowde School. Reminded the children that Monday 18th is the day appointed for the Inspection Religious Knowledge Average for the week 70.4.

" 18th Religious Inspection.

Uncertain readings: 'this' in 'this morning' (8th) appears overwritten or struck through; 'children', 'appointed' and 'Knowledge' are partly cut off at the right edge of the scan; no word 'of' between 'Inspection' and 'Religious Knowledge' on the page; also no full stop after 'Knowledge'


430

1895

Nov 20th Visited the School and Checked registers without notice found all in order and good attendance — William Haine Manager —

" 21st. Heard an exercise on musical Thimble Drill given to the Infants this afternoon

" 22nd. Gave a lesson on the Metric System to the upper standards in the afternoon.

" 26th. Examined Standards I. & II. in Geography

Dec. 5th. School visited by Mr J.J. Dowse, the attendance Officer. Reported William Newman, Sidney Hallett and Emma Godwin for irregular attendance.

" 6th. Money sums in Mental Arithmetic to Standard II this afternoon; Questions on Metric tables to Upper standards.

" 12th. Wet afternoon, only 49 children present including infants.

" 13th. Mental arithmetic this afternoon to Upper Standards on Weights and Measures and easy Fractions.

Page 430

Nov 20th Visited the School and Checked registers without notice found all in order and good attendance — William Haine [?] Manager —

" 21st. Heard an exercise on musical Thimble Drill given to the Infants this afternoon

" 22nd. Gave a lesson on the Metric System to the upper Standards in the afternoon.

" 26th. Examined Standards I. & II in Geography

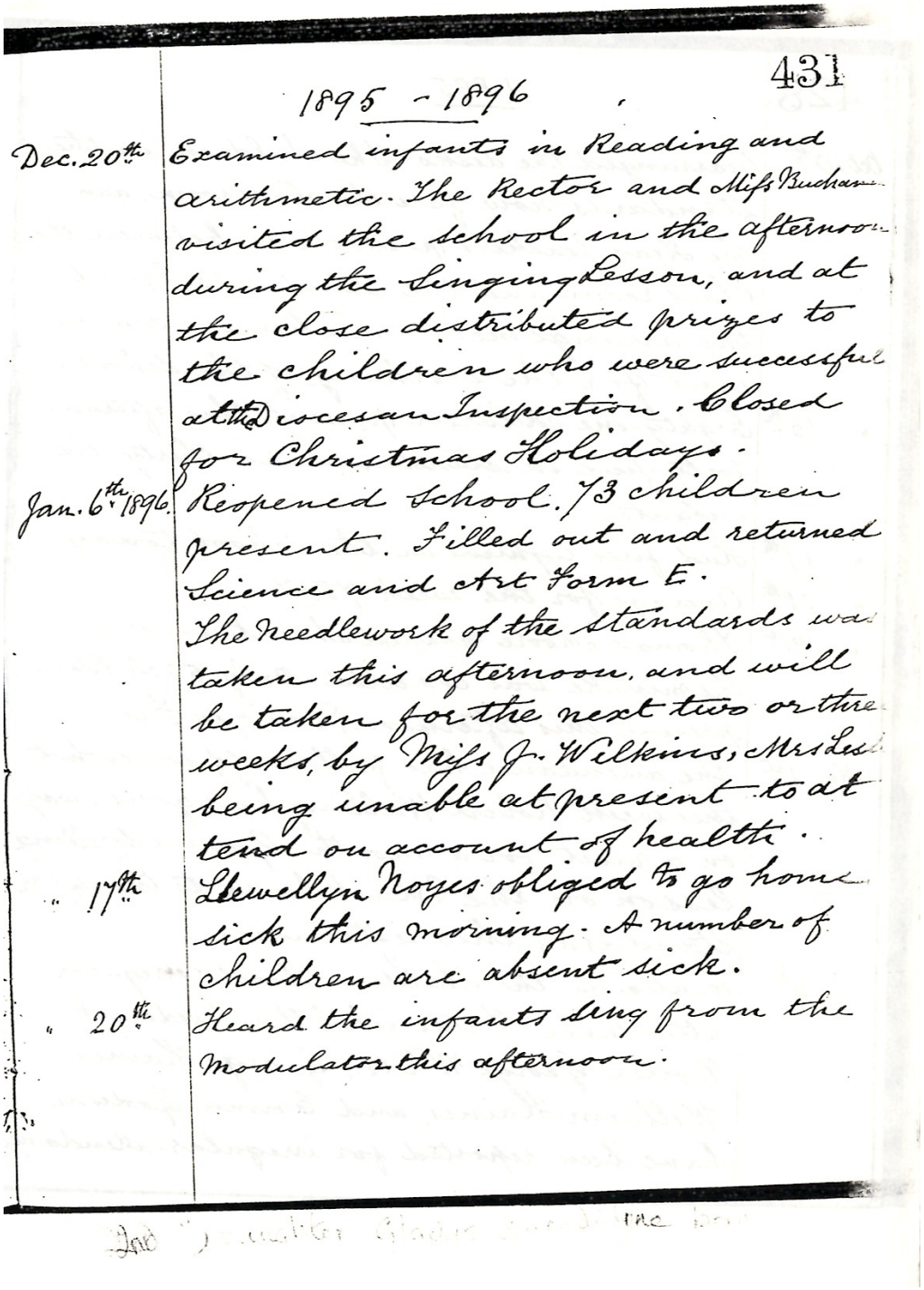
Dec. 5th. School visited by Mr J.J. Dowse, the attendance Officer. Reported William Newman, Sidney Hallett and Emma Godwin for irregular attendance.

" 6th. Money sums in Mental Arithmetic to Standard II this afternoon; questions on Metric tables to upper standards.

" 12th. Wet afternoon, only 49 children present including infants.

" 13th. Mental arithmetic this afternoon to upper Standards on Weights and Measures and easy Fractions.

Uncertain readings: Manager's signature read as 'William Haine'; OCR gives 'Naime'. The first letter looks like H, but the writing is a rough scrawl; 'notice' in 'without notice' is poorly formed in the manager's hand; 'sums' in the Dec 6th entry appears overwritten; Margin date 'Nov 20th' is partly obscured



431

1895 - 1896

Dec. 20th Examined infants in Reading and arithmetic. The Rector and Mifs Buchan visited the school in the afternoon during the Singing Lesson, and at the close distributed prizes to the children who were successful at the Diocesan Inspection. Closed for Christmas Holidays.

Jan. 6th 1896. Reopened School. 73 children present. Filled out and returned Science and Art Form E. The Needlework of the Standards was taken this afternoon, and will be taken for the next two or three weeks, by Mifs J. Wilkins, Mrs Leslie being unable at present to attend on account of health.

" 17th Llewellyn Noyes obliged to go home sick this morning. A number of children are absent sick.

" 20th Heard the infants sing from the Modulator this afternoon.

Page 431

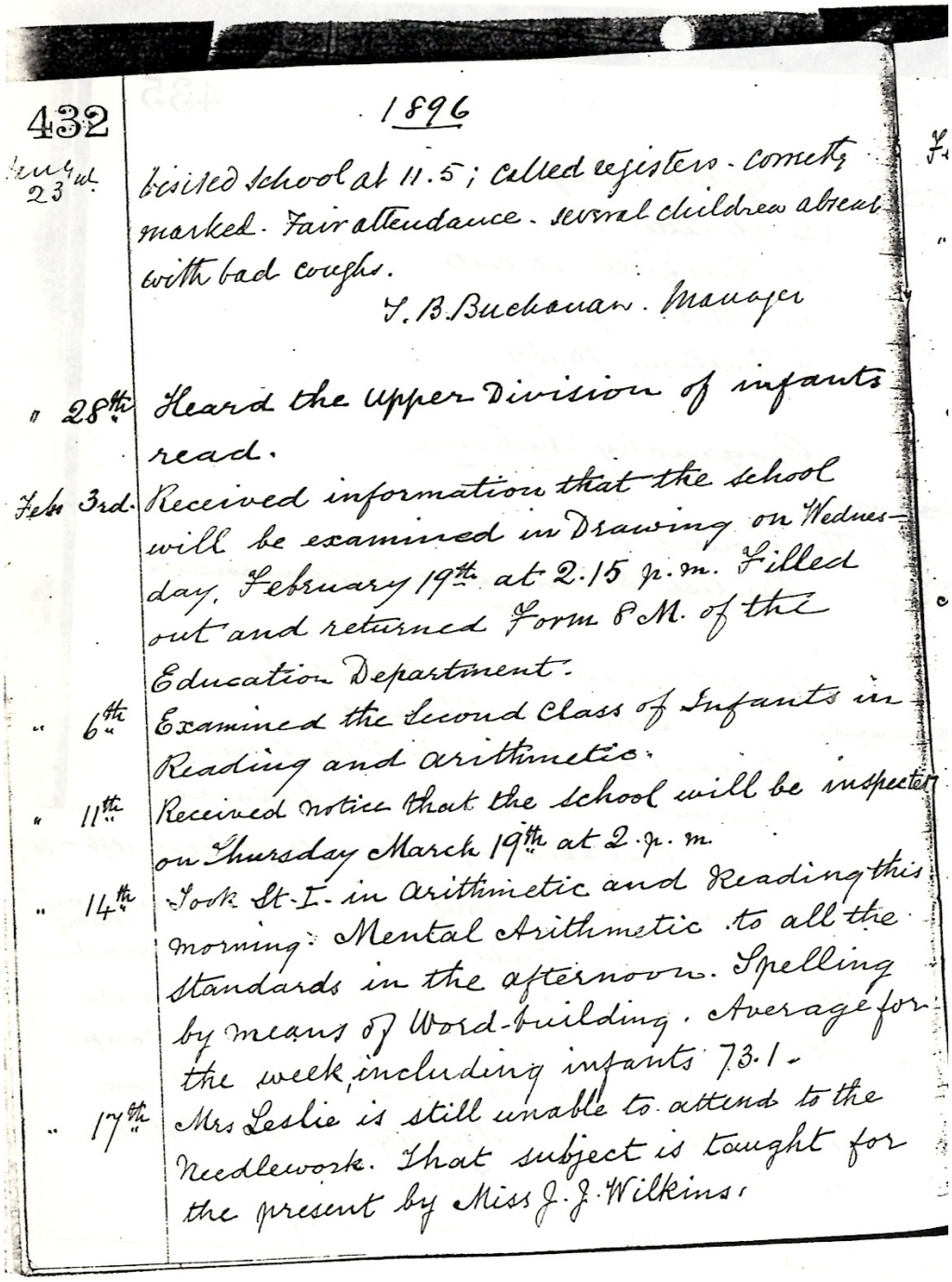
Dec. 20th Examined infants in Reading and arithmetic. The Rector and Mifs Buchan visited the school in the afternoon during the Singing Lesson, and at the close distributed prizes to the children who were successful at the Diocesan Inspection. Closed for Christmas Holidays.

Jan. 6th 1896. Reopened School. 73 children present. Filled out and returned Science and Art Form E. The Needlework of the Standards was taken this afternoon, and will be taken for the next two or three weeks, by Mifs J. Wilkins, Mrs Leslie being unable at present to attend on account of health.

" 17th Llewellyn Noyes obliged to go home sick this morning. A number of children are absent sick.

" 20th Heard the infants sing from the Modulator this afternoon.

Uncertain readings: 'Buchan' runs off the right edge (OCR 'Bucham'); the name may be longer; 'thre[e]' and 'Lesl[ie]' are cut off at the right margin; Header reads '1895 - 1896'; header_year given as 1895; The faint text at the bottom of the scan is bleed-through or a separate strip and is not transcribed



Page 432

Jany 23rd. Visited School at 11.5; called registers. correctly marked. Fair attendance. several children absent with bad coughs. T. B. Buchanan. Manager

" 28th. Heard the upper Division of infants read.

Feby 3rd. Received information that the school will be examined in Drawing on Wednesday, February 19th at 2.15 p.m. Filled out and returned Form 8M. of the Education Department.

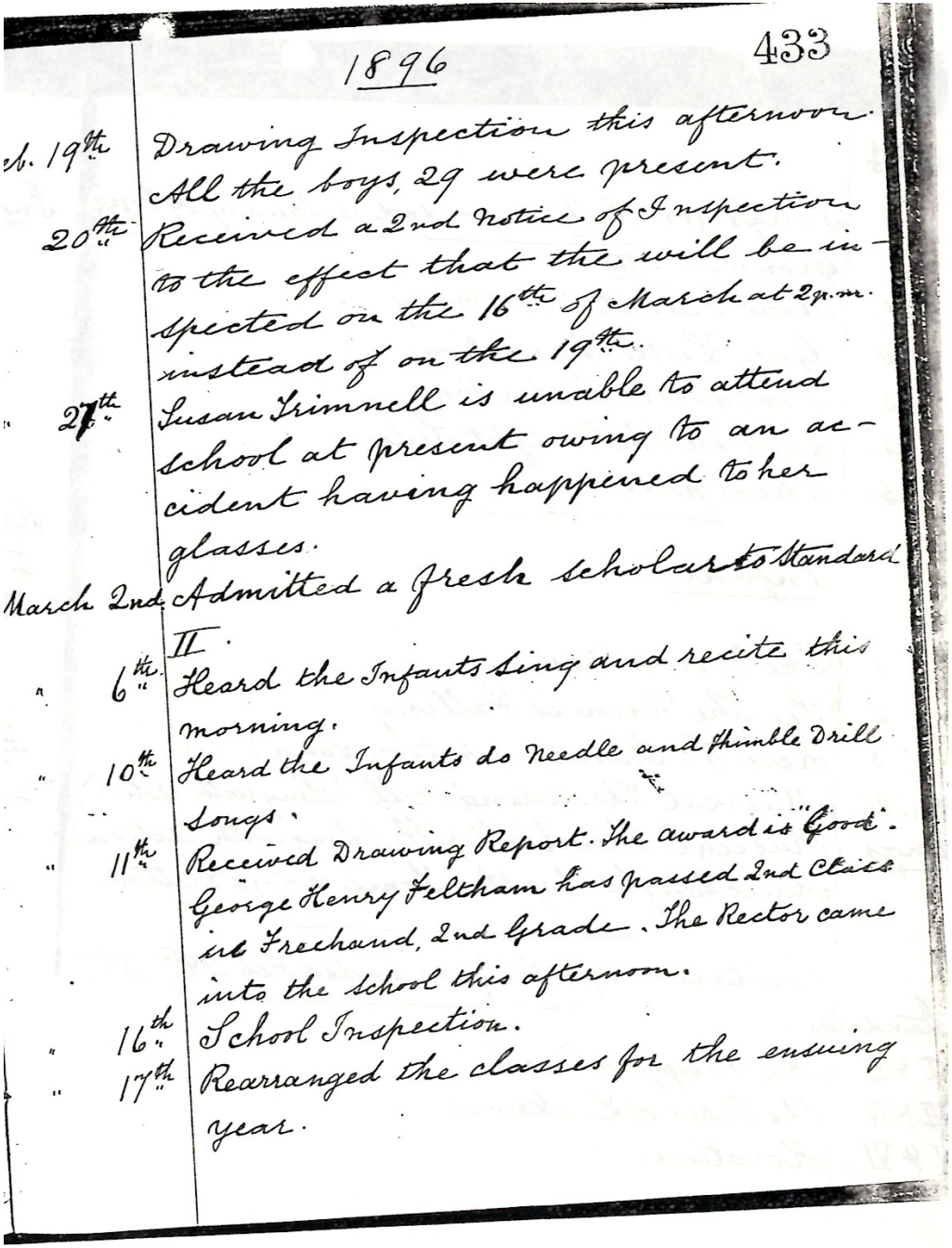
" 6th. Examined the Second Class of Infants in Reading and arithmetic.

" 11th. Received notice that the school will be inspected on Thursday March 19th at 2. p. m.

" 14th. Took St. I. in arithmetic and Reading this morning. Mental Arithmetic to all the standards in the afternoon. Spelling by means of Word-building. Average for the week, including infants 73.1.

" 17th. Mrs Leslie is still unable to attend to the Needlework. That subject is taught for the present by Miss J. J. Wilkins.

Uncertain readings: Signature initial read as 'T. B.' Buchanan; first letter could be 'J'; 'inspecte[d?]': the end of the word runs off the right edge of the page; 'Form 8M.': form number could also be read '8 M.'; Margin date 'Jany 23rd' is faint and partly cut off



1896 433

b. 19th Drawing Inspection this afternoon. All the boys, 29 were present.

20th " Received a 2nd Notice of Inspection to the effect that the will be inspected on the 16th of March at 2p.m. instead of on the 19th.

27th " Susan Trimnell is unable to attend school at present owing to an accident having happened to her glasses.

March 2nd. Admitted a fresh scholar to Standard II.

" 6th " Heard the Infants sing and recite this morning.

" 10th " Heard the Infants do Needle and thimble Drill songs.

" 11th " Received Drawing Report. The award is "Good". George Henry Feltham has passed 2nd Class in Freehand, 2nd Grade. The Rector came into the school this afternoon.

" 16th " School Inspection.

" 17th " Rearranged the classes for the ensuing year.

Page 433

Feb. 19th Drawing Inspection this afternoon. All the boys, 29 were present.

20th " Received a 2nd Notice of Inspection to the effect that the will be inspected on the 16th of March at 2p.m. instead of on the 19th.

" 27th Susan Trimnell is unable to attend school at present owing to an accident having happened to her glasses.

March 2nd Admitted a fresh Scholar to Standard II.

" 6th " Heard the Infants sing and recite this morning.

" 10th " Heard the Infants do Needle and thimble Drill songs.

" 11th " Received Drawing Report. The award is "Good". George Henry Feltham has passed 2nd Class in Freehand, 2nd Grade. The Rector came into the school this afternoon.

" 16th " School Inspection.

" 17th " Rearranged the classes for the ensuing year.

Uncertain readings: Margin date 'Feb. 19th' is partly cut off at the left edge; only 'b. 19th' is visible; 'the will be inspected': probably a slip for 'we'. Transcribed as written; Surname read as 'Trimnell' (OCR gave 'Trimmell'). The 'n'/'m' is ambiguous; '27th': the 7 looks written over another figure; 'Scholar to Standard' is squeezed in at the end of the line

Index

People

Alice Bolter (pupil) — pages 427

Arthur Bolter (pupil) — pages 427

C. Miller — pages 423

Emma Godwin (pupil) — pages 428, 430

Evelyn Hallett (pupil) — pages 420, 424, 429

Frederick Bolter (pupil) — pages 428

Frederick Ellis (pupil) — pages 428

Frederick Hallett (pupil) — pages 420, 429

George Fielding (pupil) — pages 427

George Haines (pupil) — pages 428

George Henry Feltham (candidate (pupil teacher), pupil, teacher (staff member recognised under the Code)) — pages 421, 422, 433

George White (pupil) — pages 428

Hugh Leslie (headmaster) — pages 422, 426, 428

Infant Teacher (infant teacher) — pages 426

J. J. Dowse (attendance officer) — pages 430

Janet Leslie (pupil) — pages 416

Jeanie Janet Wilkins (sewing mistress, sewing mistress (temporary)) — pages 431, 432

Llewellyn Noyes (pupil) — pages 431

Mary Elizabeth Leslie (infant teacher) — pages 422

Miss Buchan (visitor) — pages 431

Monitor (monitor) — pages 423, 425, 426

Mr Colborne (manager) — pages 420, 424, 427

Mr Haine — pages 422, 423, 424

Mr Norris (assistant HM Inspector) — pages 416

Mrs Leslie (sewing mistress) — pages 431, 432

Robert Walling (pupil) — pages 428

S. Norris (HM Inspector) — pages 419

S.N. — pages 418

Sidney Hallett (pupil) — pages 420, 430

Susan Trimnell (pupil) — pages 433

T. B. Buchanan (correspondent (manager), manager) — pages 422, 432

The Rector of Poulshot (Rector) — pages 422, 425, 431, 433

Thomas Colborne (manager) — pages 423, 426

Thomas Gray (poet (author of recitation piece)) — pages 419

Thomas Moore (pupil) — pages 428

William Haine (manager, pupil) — pages 416, 428, 430

William Henry Gilham (pupil) — pages 429

William Newman (pupil) — pages 430

Places

Australasia — pages 419

Bannockburn — pages 419

British Isles — pages 419

Devizes — pages 428

England — pages 417

Eton College — pages 419

Europe — pages 419

Poulshot — pages 427

Rowde — pages 429

Russia — pages 419

Wesleyan Chapel, Poulshot — pages 424

Organisations

Diocesan Inspection — pages 431

Education Code — pages 422

Education Department — pages 432

HM Inspectorate of Schools — pages 420, 421

National Society — pages 416

Rowde School — pages 429

Science and Art Department — pages 427, 431