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The following is the result of the Pupil Teachers' Examination held at Acerrington the last Saturday in February:-

	Arith.	Gram.	Geog.	History	Comp.	Euclid	Tot.	Per C.	Class.
D. D. Haworth	75	70	29	66	83	-	$\frac{323}{500}$	64.6	II
J. H. Haworth	97	96	84	90	84	100	$\frac{551}{600}$	91.8	I

April 2nd Geo. Haworth's lessons were very badly learnt today.

I sincerely hope that the Epidemic which has broken out in a certain district in Bacup may not visit us. I observe that a few of the children are looking very pale, and one swooned away yesterday afternoon. I am particularly careful at present to keep the school thoroughly well ventilated.

Mr. Hudson visited us yesterday afternoon, and the School Board Visitor yesterday morning.

The average for the week is 126.4 and the fees £ 1-12-3.

been very few Infants present, and the first Standard has also been thin.

The average is 108.5 and the fees £1-13-4
 May 29. The school has been thin again this week, especially in the Infant department.

The home lessons have been better done than they were for three weeks previously.

I omitted to mention that Mr. Edward Ashworth, late P. T. at this school, and now Assistant at the Wesleyan School, Keighley, assisted here all last week.

The average is 111 and the fees £2-2-3
 June 5. The attendance has been considerably better this week, although not up to what it ought to be yet.

Jane A. Dickenson and Ed. Bleyard are down with Scarlatina. Two children who attended, I think, Doals School, have died from the same.

Average 118; Fees £1-15-3.
 June 12. The average has kept up this week although the weather has been cold and damp. It is now 119.4 and the fees £1-7-9.

received fair answers. Standard III is particularly well up in Geography. Standard IV is the weakest.

The weakest part of each class will receive particular attention during the next month.

The attendance has been rather low this week, the weather not being very nice.

Treasure for the week 112 and school fees about 34/.

John Banham, a boy who went only a fortnight ago to work full time, died on Tuesday afternoon after a few days' illness. He was a scholar in the third Standard and had made his attendances.

Dec. 14. Mr. Hudson, master of the Britannia Wesleyan School, and Mr. Mark Cockrill, visited the school yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon a number of boys and girls were sent out of school after marching in, because they were talking, until singing and prayer were over.

Two of the boys who were sent out, John Kane and John Harrison, went away

and did not return that afternoon. This afternoon I gave each of them three strokes on the hands with the strap.

Dec. 14. The previous entry should have been dated Dec. 13. The average attendance for the week is 105.6 and the fees £1. 14. 2.

The work of the week has been pretty well done and fewer children have been punished in consequence.

Dec. 18. The numbers so far this week are higher, the weather being unusually mild. This morning there were 110 present, and this afternoon there are 113 present. Joseph Hopkinson a boy in the Sixth Standard came to school yesterday without Home Exercise. Cautioned him not to do so any more or we should have a reckoning. Catherine Holland, a girl in the Fourth Standard should have remained after school yesterday afternoon to work Home Lessons which had been very imperfectly done. She cheated out, and as she well knew I do not allow any case of that kind to go unpunished she did so with her eyes open. I gave her two strokes with the strap on the hands.