

Kaipororo

8 Kilometres South of Eketahuna on State Highway 2

[Note spelling in Papers Papers uses both Kaipororo and Kaiparoro I will keep the spelling as published so as to make it easier if someone wants to look for the complete article on papers past'

The Wellington Education Board used both spellings but I have kept to Kaipororo as that is what it was called when the first school was opened]

1893-1894

1894	13	Kaipororo	Ingpen	Edward L		Master	£48	\$8,663
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6th November 1893 Fully an hour was spent by the Bankruptcy Court this morning, before his Honour the Chief Justice, in taking the evidence of E. L. Ingpen, formerly in the Government service, but latterly a tobacconist in Woodville. Woodville is in the Hawkes Bay District, but as a sitting of the Court will not be held there until next year, it was decided that the public examination of the debtor should take place in Wellington. [Edward Lockyer Ingpen]

28th September 1893 The following applications for land were approved:- Kaiparoro block— C. A. Andrews, C. C. Charles, P. Petersen, A. Hughan, A. Gibson, M. Prince.

31st March 1894 Inspector Fleming will visit Kaipororo school on Tuesday 24th March

[This was an aided school and that meant the Wellington Education Board paid a grant but the community provided the schoolroom and paid all the costs]

1895

1895	42	Kaipororo	Ingpen	Edward L		Master	£97	\$17,483
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5th March 1895 Mr Fleming will inspect the school at Kaipororo on 3rd April

28th March 1894 Wellington Education Board Annual Report included It mentions among other matters that 98 schools were in operation during the year, and new schools were opened at the State Farm (Levin), Scarborough, Mangaone Valley, Makairo, and Kaipororo.

1896

1896	21	Kaipororo	King	Edith M		Female	£100	\$18,019
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8th February 1896 The Kaipororo School picnic, held last Thursday, _ was a great success. The school is situated in the Mt. Bruce District, and this is the first public gathering held there.

19th February 1896 Mr T. R. Fleming, the Education Board inspector will make a special trip to the different localities in the Forty-Mile Bush from which applications have been received for aided schools and present a report thereon to the Board. The localities to be visited are : —Dreyer's Rock, Ngatitipu, Upper Opaki, Coonoor, Pongaroa, Qtohuia, Kaitawa, Makuri and Kaipororo.

30th April 1896 Wellington Education Board The Kaipororo Committee asked the Board to take over the school, which is an aided school, and to appoint a teacher. The Chairman said if it was taken over it would involve the building of a new school, as the present site was

unsuitable. Dr Newman moved that the school be taken over and a new site arranged for. This was carried.

27th May 1896 Wellington Education Board It was, decided that fresh applications on the new basis of salary should be invited for Ngaturi, Tokomaru, and Kaipororo teacherships.

4th June 1896 School Committee Elections. No returns have reached the Board from Kaipororo, Te Whiti, or Waingawa. Mungaroa, Manukau, and Opaki have failed to elect committees, consequently the Board will, in each of these cases, require to appoint School, Commissioners, who will have the same power as School .Committees

15th June 1896 At the same meeting appointments of an assistant teacher for the Petone school, and head teachers for the Kaipororo and Ngaturi schools, will also be made.

19th June 1896 The Education Board has received the following applications : — Headmaster, Rintoul street, 19 ; assistant, Rintoul street, 13; assistant, Petone, 11; Ponatahi 5; Kaipororo, 8; Ngaturi, 15.- The appointments will be made at the next meeting of the Board.

29th June 1896 Wellington Education Board Miss King, of the Featherston School has been promoted to the charge of the Kaipororo School, Forty Mile Bush,

3rd July 1896 Miss King, of the Featherston School, who has been promoted to the charge of the Kaipororo School near Hastwell, will begin her new duties on the 20th inst., when the school will re-open after the winter vacation

14th October 1896 The Wellington Education Board has 'had plans prepared for the new school Kaipororo, near Eketahuna, and will be called for the work at the next meeting. The school will be 22ft by 18ft, [6.70 Meters x 5.49 metres] and will have accommodation for 40 scholars

26th November 1896 Mr A. W, Hogg addressed the electors in the schoolhouse, Kaiparoro, on Tuesday afternoon. About thirty persons, principally sawmill hands, were present, and Mr Morgan, the pioneer settler of the Wellington No. 2 Special Settlement occupied the chair.....

16th December 1896 At Kaiparoro, between Eketahuna and Mangamahoe, the centre of the Wellington No. 2 Special Settlement Block the stumps may be seen of trees eight, nine and ten feet in diameter. A great deal of fine timber. has been destroyed, bat fortunately now Mr Falkner has established a sawmill in a, part of the forest, and what remains is being turned to good valuable account.

1897

1897	17	Kaipororo	King	Edith M		Female	£100	\$17,839
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2nd January 1897 It is reported that the children of Mr A. Falkner, of Kaiparoro, are missing They have it is stated, wandered away in the smoke and been lost in the bush.

6th January 1897GENERAL NOTES, ' Nothing definite is yet known as to whether or not Mr Falkner's two children have been found. They were supposed ko have been lost near the Kaipororo sawmill, The Masterton - Eketahuna road was impassable in many places yesterday owing to fires sweeping right across the road.

27th January 1897 The following tenders have been accepted by the Board of Education : — Hastwell School, additions, C. E. Daniell, £156; Kaipororo School, A. Dunstall, £113 11s,

19th March 1897 I hear a rumour that a shop is being erected. Advance Kaiparoro Wo already have a Post Office and get our mail three times a week. The new school is also finished and

waiting to be passed, It was opened on Thursday last with a picnic, which was a great success, although the weather was very unsettled, As the day turned out cold Mr Fauvel, chairman of the School Committee, gave the use of his large kitchen for the day. After dinner children and parents all retired to Mr Morgan's paddock for games, races, etc., and on the whole a very enjoyable day was spent, finishing with a social in the new schoolroom, music and dancing being indulged in until midnight. We had visitors from Eketahuna, Hastwell and Mauriceville.

Children and teacher are looking forward to taking possession of, their new premises and hope to do so before the examination takes place,, I hear that there is some talk of turning the old schoolroom into a reading-room, which is, I think, a very good idea. I hope to hear more about it soon.: Bush fires have been started again,

but they don't burn very well now because of the heavy dews, and, oh " the skeeters " they nearly drive me frantic. I never saw such " woppers" before. [mosquitoes]

23rd March 1897 Mr Fleming Inspector will be at Kaipororo on the 5th April

24th March 1897 he Committee of young men win managed the school picnic so success fully met last Tuesday to settle u| accounts. They have a balance of 25s, [25 shillings: there were 20 shillings in a pound]which they have handed over to the School Committee to be used in forming a metalled road up to the new school, Now that the shelter sheds an erected and the whole painted it makes a great improvement in the Block. The new desks have arrived and the children are anxiously looking forward to getting' to work it their new building. Bush fires have been started again lately, but they have resulted mostly in smoke. Miss Beatrice Faulkner left on Friday to attend Miss Sheppard's college for young ladies in Masterton.

15th April 1897 There is nothing of an exciting nature going on here at present. Things proceed just as usual. The School examination was held last Monday, and I believe was very satisfactory, Mr Fleming, the Inspector expressed himself pleased with the School and buildings. The children had the usual examination holiday on the following day

1898

1898	33	Kaipororo	Donald	Jane M		Female	£122	\$20,899
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7th March 1898 Mr T R Fleming is inspecting the school April 25th

30th March 1898 The Board made appointments of a head teacher for Kaipororo and Wairere schools and an assistant teacher at Fernridge, subject to endorsement by the respective committees.

31st March 1898 The resignations of Miss Jessop (Wairere), Miss King (Kaipororo), Miss McKenzie (Kaitara) and Mrs Nelson (Newman) were accepted

6th April 1898 Hastwell Notes of the past week or two all the talk of the place has been about an excursion. On Friday this excursion took place. The train steamed: out of the Manga- , station laden with excursionists from the Hastwell, Kaipororo, and' Mangamahoe, en route for Palmerston North. The weather was; all that could be .desired, and the journey very pleasant. At Woodville the train connected with one conveying Fitzgerald's Circus to Palmerston, and the strains of the Circus band served to enliven .the- proceedings. Arriving" at our destination we were courteously welcomed by some of the Palmerston authorities, who escorted the children to the Show Ground, where tea, lemonade, etc., were generously supplied and needless to say were done full justice to, The animals attached to the Circus proved a source of amusement for the children. The train began- the return trip at ten minutes past five, having on board a gentleman who had had a slight 'refresher' or.it may be that the

.weather had been too warm for him He had .been doing the rounds of Palmerston with (as he says), a bob [One Shilling] in his pocket to buy spuds for his wife. Potatoes must therefore be a failure here this year, The railway officials were. most obliging. There was one calamity and that was the loss of a dog belonging to one .of. our residents; The dog deserting him at the Woodville station No one except the owner expressed much regret for its loss. [Note the railway at Palmerston North went through the square]

13th April 1898 Miss Donald, now in charge of the South Karori School, will open and take charge of. the school at Kaipororo, a settlement between Newman and Eketahuna, next Monday

23rd August 1898 24th August 1898 Mauriceville Notes in the Daily Times A football match was played at Hastwell on Saturday, between the Mauriceville West, v. Kaiparoro Schools. The Kaiparoro boys were much too heavy for their opponents and won by something like thirteen points to nil They are said to have played rather roughly.

1899

1899	45	Kaipororo	Donald	Jane M		Female	£137	\$24,309
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29th May 1899 Eketahuna County Council deputation consisting of Mr Morgan and Mr Jepson, on behalf of the settlers of Kaiparoro, waited on the Council to ask permission to erect a public hall and library on a piece of ground known as the road reserve. It was decided to let the settlers have the required ground on satisfying the Council re plan

18th September 1899 I regret to record the death of the youngest son of Mr J. Palmer, of Kaiparoro, The deceased child succumbed to an attack of pleurisy and inflammation on Thursday night. All that medical skill could do was done, but without avail. Deceased was a bright intelligent child, a favourite with all.

23rd December 1899 Board Scholarships Class D is for schools with an average attendance was under 100. GLASS D. W. Perry, Paraparaumu, 448; T. Verry. Konini. 422; , Mary .‘Armstrong, Parkvale; 412 R. Verry, : Manakau; 392; H Vosseler, Kaiparoro, 388; G, Williams, Porirua, 384; Three scholarships of the annual value of £35, are awarded in this class.

1900

1900	40	Kaipororo	Donald	Jane M		Female	£137	\$23,819
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14th March 1900 The latest contributions to the Mayor of Wellington's Patriotic Fund are — Singing of the "Absent-minded Beggar" by Mrs. Wilson at High School Old Girls Association gathering, 15s ; Kaipororo school children, 8s 3d ;

18th April 1900 On Easter Monday, the settlers at Kaipororo, opened their newly-erected Public Hall, with a well-patronised ball. The opening ceremony to performed by Mr A. Falkner, who in an appropriate speech declared the Hall opened. The dancing was kept up till long after midnight. Mr F. Cowlam acting as M.C., Mr McLean supplying the music. Altogether the entertainment was a grand success

8th May 1900 Cr Turner, on behalf of the Kaipororo Hall Committee , applied for title of sits of Kaipororo Hall.—Resolved that Mr F. Potts be instructed to prepare same.

18th June 1900 At Kaipororo (near Eketahuna) at the end of last week, Oswald Falkner, while bush felling on his father's land, had his right leg broken and his body bruised through the tree he was working at springing back

26th July 1900 Education Board had checked all salaries paid to their teachers and many were over paid but Jane Donald was being underpaid by £8 according to the regulations

13th September 1900 Last Thursday evening a most enjoyable evening was spent in the Kaiparoro Hall, a concert being given by the school children. The entertainment concluded with a dance

14th September 1900 Two children of Mr Faulkner, of Kaipororo, who were on a visit to Parkville, Eketahuna, are stated to have suffered serious illness through eating wattle-blossoms

1901

1901	40	Kaipororo	Donald	Jane M		Female	£135	\$22,791
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31st January 1901 The Education Department recommended that J Donald is currently on a £117 should have an increase of £11-15s

20th February 1901 Mr Bakewell inspector would visit Kaiparoro on 21st March

23rd February 1901 A twelve year old son of Mr K. G. Morgan, of Kaiparoro, is in a very precarious condition through eating wild berries, The doctor entertains there is very little hope of his recovery.

2nd March 1901 I regret to record the death of the lad Morgan, of Kaiparoro, who died on Friday morning, Much sympathy is felt for Mr and Mrs Morgan in their sad bereavement

30th May 1901 A young man named Oswald Falkner, son of Mr Falkner, a sawmiller of Kaiparoro, who twelve months ago had his left leg broken, has undergone an operation to have the limb removed.

9th July 1901 We referred in our last issue to the expediency of opening up the Kaiparoro, Mount Bruce, and Makakahi district to Masterton by the prompt erection of a bridge over the Ruamahunga at the Upper Opaki,[Mikimiki] In connection with this we might add that there are some thousands of acres of first-class bush land in the vicinity of the proposed structure suitable for timber purposes and also for sub-division into small farms,

1902

1902	33	Kaipororo	Bringans	John		M	£155	\$25,555
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6th May 1902 Committees have not been elected for the following school districts: — Kilbirnie, Kaiwarra, Worser Bay, Makairo, Tokomaru, Ohau. Pongaroa, Kaiparoro, Paikakariki, Featherston and Horokiwi Valley. The retiring committees for these districts will remain in office until their successors are either elected or nominated. When all returns are in, the several chairmen will be asked to fix another day for a meeting of householders. If no election takes place at the second meeting, the Education Board can appoint commissioners to carry on the "work. The commissioners will have all the powers and duties of a committee

4th June 1902 Wellington Education Board Miss Donald resigns

1902/1443	Jane Margaret	Donald	Anthony Hutchinson	Harrison
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There was an Anthony Harrison farming in Eketahuna in 1902. They had three children including a set of twins

1903/22034	Harrison Ina Jean	Jane Margaret	Anthony Hutchinson	-
1903/22035	Harrison John Hutchinson	Jane Margaret	Anthony Hutchinson	-
1908/6013	Harrison Robert Donald	Margaret Jane	Anthony Hutchinson	-

5th July 1902 Wellington Education Board Appointment Kaipororo, Mr J. Bringans, now at Kakariki

25th June 1902 Wellington Education Board Tenders were also ordered to be called for new offices at the Masterton and Featherston Schools, and similar work authorised at the Kaiparoro School.[Offices are the name for toilets, where you go to do your business]

25th September 1902 Additional office and tank £35. 10s

25th September 1902 Messrs F McAnulty, R H Lee and J Hofmeister were appointed to vacancies in the Kaipororo School Committee

28th November 1902 The Kaipororo School Committee was voted £15 to provide water supply and conveniences;

John Bringans taught at Kakariki from 1899 till coming to Kaipororo In 1906 he was at Ohariu school and then came back to Scarborough [Mangamutu School] in 1910 until about 1919 when he was listed as headmaster of Khandallah School where he still was at December 1923

1903 - 1904

1903	037		Kaipororo	Bringans	John		Headmaster	£141	\$23,362
1904	35		Kaipororo	Bringans	John		Master	£149	\$24,673

29th July 1903 The South End Junior Competition of the Bush Districts Rugby Union has been won by Kaiparoro.

9th January 1904 Wellington Education Board Damage to the extent of £ 62 having been caused to the school at Kaiparoro, between Masterton and Eketahuna, it was announced that the authority to spend the money in renewing the building had been granted by the Education Department. [This was the only mention I could find of this incident]

27th January 1904 During last week serious bush fires raged in the Eketahuna district. Settlers in the Kaipororo, Mount Baker, Rongokokako and Parkville districts had a trying time in endeavouring to save their homes Though a number of fences, out-houses and sheds were burned nothing of a serious nature has been reported.

13th May 1904 Some day the road motor will come to Masterton and connect this town with places like Castlepoint on the north, Featherston on the south, Gladstone on the east and Kaiparoro on the west. It will also be used for the distribution of goods and for the conveyance of passengers within the town. This is inevitable, and it would be well, if those who have vested interests in the carrying trade, were to look ahead and shape their course so that their own business investments would not be jeopardised when the day of transition arrived,

30th AUGUST 1904 In a long article on science in Wellington Education Board schools was this: Agricultural chemistry, although very elementary, is taken up in many unexpected places, at Ballance, Kaiparoro, Pirinoa, Newman, Brooklyn. Hutt, Thorndon, Masterton, Kakariki." and a host of others

1905-1906

1905	31	Kaipororo	Bringans	John	D3	Master	£150	\$23,723
1906	31	Kaipororo	Easson	Edith A	D2	Female	£144	\$22,379

23rd February 1905 The scholars of the Kaiparoro school were given a practical demonstration in agricultural chemistry. Keen interest was manifested.

9th January 1906 Miss Easson, late of Greymouth, to be sole teacher at Kaiparoro

14th February 1906 Miss Easson who has been connected with the Greymouth State school teaching staff for many years left by the Arahura last week for the North Island, having accepted a good position under one of the North Island Education Boards. Prior to leaving Miss Easson was the recipient of several presentations. On Thursday evening she was entertained by the Trinity Choir, of which she was a member for a long time, and was presented by Archdeacon York, on behalf of the choir with a handsome travelling case. Reference was made to the many good qualities possessed by Miss Easson and the great assistance she had been to the choir. The teachers at Grey State school on Friday afternoon presented Miss Easson with a beautiful brooch set with diamonds and rubies, and the pupils presented her with a handsome combined silver-mounted purse and card case, and a cut glass scent bottle.

30th March 1906 Wellington Education Board A progress report from Mr Davies, agricultural instructor, was received. This showed that at two of the centres, Masterton, and Greytown, preparations for carrying out agricultural instruction in connection with the district high schools are in an advanced stage, and classes should soon be in full swing. The schools already recognised and drawing capitation for classes in agriculture are Mauriceville West, Kaiparoro, Rongokoako, Makomako, Waione, and Dreyerton.

20th June 1906 Children of Kaipororo sent flowers at the funeral of Richard Seddon. Prime Minister

22nd June 1906 Manawatu Winter Show report included In the horticulture classes the Kimbolton and Kaiparoro Schools were the only ones which rose to the occasion with collections of garden and farm roots. There was a better show in the natural history section, in which plants and insects ' were included, and for which substantial prizes were offered. The classes included collections, of dried grasses, of injurious New Zealand weeds, and of insects. The competing schools were those of Mangaweka, Awahura Ashhurst, Halcombe, Kaiparoro, and Ruahine.

27th June 1906 Educating Country Children A gathering at Palmerston he association offered t® admit free any school children who came in charge of their teachers. Twenty schools accepted the invitation, including Kaipororo

4th August 1906 The Rongokokako school boys , journeyed to Kaiparoro last Saturday to play football, the result being Kaiparoro 27, Rongokokako 3

Edith Ann Easson started teaching at Greymouth in 1887 and was on that staff about 19 years before coming to Kaipororo. It appears that her mother was living in Wellington by then

1907

1907	33	Kaipororo	Easson	Edith A	D1	Female	£144	\$22,575
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14th January 1907 Mr Falkner, of Kaipororo, and some of his neighbours are erecting a temporary footbridge over the Makakahi river on the Mt. Bruce-road, pending the construction of a proper road bridge for wheel traffic. The footbridge will be of service for the school children

21st February 1907 Masterton A and P Show

six carrots, Matahiwi School 1, Kaiparoro School 2, Clareville School 3. Six parsnips. Matahiwi School 1, Rongokokako School 2, Kaiparoro School 3.. Best collection flowers (named), Clareville School 1, Taueru School 2, Kaiparoro School. 3. Collection of grasses and clovers (named), Kaiparoro School 1, Rongokokako School 2. [Only Kaipororo results included]

22nd March 1907 Miss Easson, schoolmistress at Kaiparoro, intends to take the children of her school on a trip to the Christchurch Exhibition during the Easter holidays.

11th May 1907 Eketahuna Chamber of Commerce A request from the settlers of Kaiparoro was received asking the Chamber to sign a petition, praying the Government to have a further sum of money placed on the Estimates for a bridge across the Makakahi river. As the bridge is badly wanted, and the lack of one is a serious obstacle in rainy weather to those who use the road- (Mount Bruce-road, which is a short cut to Masterton), the Chamber decided to support the petition

19th June 1907 National Dairy Show Swedes Kimbolton 1 Kaipororo 2 Four entries

Collection of dried grasses Mangaweka School 1st Kaipororo 2nd Collection of injurious New Zealand weeds Kaiparoro 1st Mangaweka 2nd

21st June 1907 Rural EDUCATTION Country School Day at Palmerston North included . The exhibits of Natural History by the Mangaweka, Ashurst and Kaipororo scholars are a feature in themselves

23rd October 1907 Hares are reported to be very numerous at Kaipororo

30th October Show not named but a large number of entries Public School Writing Annie Parker Kaipororo 2 mapping 911 to 140 D Bennett Terrace End 1 Annie Parker Kaipororo 2 Berta Petersen Kaipororo 3rd

22nd November The Inspector reported having examined the cookery class at Masterton under Miss Talbot and the agricultural classes at Makomako, Clareville, Carterton, Mauriceville and Kaipororo excellent work being done in every case

21st December 1907 A brass band has been formed at "Kaiparoro. Mr Rasmus Hansen has been appointed conductor, and Mr O. Falkner secretary

1908/4467	Edith Amy	Easson	Ivor Daniel	Parsons
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1908

1908	39	Kaipororo	Campbell	Katherine	D2	Female	£160	\$25,083
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2nd January 1908 It is reported that as the result of bush in the vicinity of the Makakahi river at Kaiparoro, on Monday last, hundreds of dead trout are to be seen floating in the stream.

During the past day or two large bush fires have been raging in the Kaiparoro district and other parts of the Forty -mile Bush.

20th February 1908 Masterton Show Collection flowers, Clareville, 1; Kaiparoro, 2; Taueru, 3. Collection of grain, Kaiparoro, 1 and 2. Also won prizes for parsnips, swedes flowers and weeds

28th February 1908 Wellington Education Board Miss Easson resigns from the 31st March

4th March 1908 The annual picnic of the Kaiparoro School will be held on March 12th.

27th March 1908 Wellington Education Board Fencing Kaiparoro

31st March 1908 The annual picnic of the Kaiparoro School was held last Thursday. owing to boisterous weather the gathering took place in the hall. The Kaiparoro Band was present, and an enjoyable time was spent.

3rd April 1908 Miss Feast, relieving teacher at the Kaiparoro school, has commenced her duties.

Miss Esson, who has for some considerable time been teacher at the Kaiparoro school, and who is leaving the district, has been presented by the girls of the school with a handsome rug, and by the boys with a silver-mounted oak biscuit barrel.

3rd April 1908 Miss Easson, teacher at the Kaiparoro School, who is leaving the district, was entertained last Tuesday by the pupils at a farewell luncheon and was presented by the girls with a handsome rug, and by the boys with an oak biscuit barrel. The presentations were made by Mr Bakewell, Inspector. Miss Feast, relieving teacher, took Miss Easson's place on Wednesday.

15th April 1908 Miss K. Campbell, formerly of the Mangamahoe School, has been appointed teacher at the Kaiparoro School.

30th April 1908 School Committee Kaiparoro. — D. Dick (chairman), W. A. Miller (secretary), F. Hawkins, A. Pallant, A. Falkner; R. H. Campbell, J. Harvey

4th May 1908 Miss Campbell, teacher at Mangamahoe, has been promoted to the charge of the Kaiparoro School. Miss Campbell, who was very popular during her stay at Mangamahoe, was tendered a farewell social on Thursday night, which was largely attended.

21st May 1908 At All Saints' Church, Kilbirnie, on Tuesday, 12th inst., Mr Ivor D. Parsons, second son of Mr T. Parsons, of Rongokokako, was married to Miss Edith Amy Easson, daughter of Mrs Easson, of Kilbirnie. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr J. W. Easson, and was attended by three bridesmaids—her sister, Miss Mabel Easson, and niece, Miss Doris Easson, and Miss Mary Parsons, sister of the groom—and also two pages, Masters Colin Green and Lionel Easson, her nephews. Mr A. Faulkner, of Kaiparoro, was best man, and the ceremony was performed by _ Rev. W. Fancourt.

26th September 1908 Wellington Education Board The ventilation of the Kaipororo School was reported to be bad, and lower windows on the northern wail were recommended.

21st December 1908 Kaiparoro entered into the Masterton A & P Shows garden plot competition

1909

1909	43	Kaipororo	Campbell	Katherine	D2	Female	£185	\$29,398
1909	43	Kaipororo	Bradford	Laura M		Assistant Female	£90	\$14,302

It looks as though Laura M Bradford relieved as she was listed in a number of small Wairarapa schools from 1906 to 1911 at the end of each year

10th March 1909 Miss G Mackay appointed assistant

17th May 1909 Miss L Cameron appointed assistant

24th June 1909 Wellington Education Board It was decided to forward the following applications to the department :Kaiparoro and Mangamaire, grants for erection of residence

30th July 1909 Miss L Cameron assistant resigns

16th December 1909 School garden plots article included ach school has a different scheme, and though all are not equally ingenious they appear on the whole to be working along right lines. In some cases, where they have been unable to grow certain crops before, they have lately been able to do so with a considerable degree of success, thanks to a proper application of manures. New schools, too, are competing this year in addition to those of the previous year, and the work generally appears to be on a very satisfactory footing. The following schools were visited: —Newman, Rongokokako, Kaiparoro, Kopuaranga and Taueru.

21st December 1909 Garden plot results Appended are the results :— Best garden—First, Rongokokako, 90 points; second, Kopuaranga, 84 points; third, Newman, 80 points. Best individual plot—First and third, Kopuaranga, 78 and 76 points; second, Rongokokako, 77 points. It will be noted that there is not a very wide margin between the first and third schools, a fact that speaks well both for teacher? and pupils

KAIPARORO. The garden here was both neat and beautiful. It was handicapped, however, by the fact that only a few boys were attending the school, the girls not taking as full an interest in the various experiments that were being carried out as the boys. As a matter of fact, they did not intend to compete, and were surprised at the arrival of the judges. The plots were well kept but could not compare with the others that had been worked on a scientific basis.

1910

1910	39	Kaipororo	Campbell	Katherine	D1	Female	£190	\$29,786
1910	39	Kaipororo	Thompson	Ethel	D4	Assistant Female	£90	\$14,109

4th March 1910 Eketahuna Show Best collection of flowers grown by children at any school between Pahiatua and Masterton, but not including either of those towns, Rongokokako School 1, Newman School 2. Best collection of vegetables, same conditions, Kaipororo School 1, Rongokokako School 2.

12th February 1910 Miss E Thompson appointed assistant

28th February 1910 Messrs K. J. McLean and J. Farrelly met with a nasty accident on Thursday afternoon while journeying to the Kaiparoro picnic. The horse they were driving took fright at a timber wagon on Bright's Hill, and backed down the bank. The gig and horse overturned, pinning the occupants down. They were fortunate to escape with nothing more serious than some bruises. KAIPARORO. The Kaiparoro school picnic was held on Thursday. The weather was perfect, a nice cool breeze blowing, and the picnic was a great success, due to the untiring efforts of the School Committee. The Hastwell Band played several selections, which added to the enjoyment of the outing. Visitors were present from all parts of the district and were very hospitably entertained.

The results of the sports events were 'as follow:—Boys' 'race, under 10, Hameson, 1; Taylor," 2 ; girls' race, under 10, M. Thompson 1, V. Thomas, 2; boys , race, under 7, G. Snell 1,

Thompson 2; boys' race, over 13, Pike 1, Hansen 2; girls' race, over 13, B. Lozelle 1, V. Falkner 2; non-winners' race, girls, Miss Harvey 1, Miss Parker 2, Miss Bignal 3 ; non-winners' race, boys, J. Campbell 1, D. Campbell 2, Parker 3; three-legged race for boys, Lozelle and Hansen, 1; three legged race for girls, Falkner and Hansen, 1; sack race for boys, Smith and Hansen, 1; sack race for girls, Thompson and Hawkins 1, Falkner and Pallant 2, Lozelle and Harvey 3; nail-driving, married ladies, Mrs McCarthy 1; nail-driving, single ladies, Miss Flett 1; Bandsmen's race, McGregor 1, Larsen 2; pig-guessing, actual weight 41 lbs, G. Hunter 4 ¼ lbs 1; W. Tunnicliffe 41 ½ lbs 2; No. 1 sheep-guessing, actual weight 86 lbs , D. Dick, 80 lbs, and C. Hansen 80 lbs, tie; No. 2 sheep-guessing, actual weight 88¼ lb. D. Dick, 87 lbs, 1; G. Edwards, 82 lbs, 2. [1 lb =.45 kilogram. Lb stands for pound weight]

A very enjoyable dance was held in the evening.

4th March 1910 Eketahuna Show The children's brought forward some -creditable work. Rongokokako School was given first prize for the best collection' of flowers, and Kaiparoro carried off the award for vegetables.

1st April 1910 The Education Department has made a grant to the Wellington Board of £975 for the enlargement of the Brooklyn School. Grants have also been made for the erection of teachers' residences at Kaiparoro (£420) and Mangamaire

28th April 1910 The meeting of householders on Monday night was the largest ever held in the district. Some friction has recently occurred among members of the old Committee, and the utmost interest was taken in the election, thirteen nominations being received. The members elected were as follows: —Messrs D. Dick (chairman), J. Hofmeister. E. G. Snell, F. H. Hawkins. J. Lozelle, J. Taylor and W. Millar (secretary).

The arrangements for the establishment of the new cheese factory are being carried on satisfactorily. The timber is now being ordered, and it is expected that a start will be made with the erection of the factory next month.

27th July 1910 Wellington Education Board approved fencing work at Kaiparoro

27th September 1910 e- rainfall here during the past week has totalled 7 inches. The stiff northerly gales which have prevailed during the past fortnight have now subsided, and the change to calm, sunny weather is much appreciated.

A play—"Beauty and the Beast" —was staged in the local hall on Thursday night, by the school children. Unfortunately the inclement weather prevented a large attendance, but all present expressed themselves well pleased with the children's efforts. The opening speech was delivered by Miss Nellie Miller, a tiny dot of eight years of age—arrayed in a lawyer's wig and gown,—and the different characters were ably represented by the following:—"Beauty," Miss Gertie Falkner; 'The Beast," Master Norman Smyth-; "Myra, ' Miss Ettie. Hansen; "Linda," Miss Winnie: Pallant; "The Merchant Pasha," Master Bryan Lowell; "The Fairy Moonbeam," Miss Frances Smyth; "Four Attendant Fairies," Misses Emily Snell, Gladys Harvey, Alice Falkner, and Anna Hawkins; 'Pages," Masters Stephen Bignell and Frank Taylor. Two songs and dances by the Fairies' elicited warm applause from the audience. The stage had been artistically decorated by the School Committee, who also rendered valuable assistance in carrying out arrangements for the dance, which followed, and which was kept going merrily till one o'clock. .

4th October 1910 Whooping cough and influenza are very prevalent throughout the district, and in several cases the services of the doctor have had to be requisitioned.

Mr Dineen, Truant Inspector for the Wellington Education Board, visited school during the week.

25th October 1910 Under the auspices of the School Committee, fortnightly entertainments have been held in the Hall during the winter, in order to raise funds for the annual school picnic which usually takes place in February. These entertainments have become very popular, and the committee has now in hand a sum of about ten pounds. The wind-up of the series took place on Thursday last,- when visitors were present from Eketahuna and surrounding districts. The early part of the evening was devoted to "progressive euchre," in which very keen interest was maintained. Several musical items followed, songs being contributed by Messrs Lozell and Edwards. A bountiful supper was provided by the ladies of the district, and in spite of the warmth of the weather, dancing, which filled up the latter part of the programme, was kept up until 2 a.m. The School Committee is to be congratulated on the success of its efforts.

During an interval advantage was taken of the opportunity to make a presentation to Mr and Mrs Snell, who left for their new home in Taranaki yesterday. Mr Falkner, who spoke on behalf of the settlers, made kindly reference to the many good social qualities of Mr and Mrs Snell, and expressed the regret of all at their departure from the district. He then presented Mr Snell with a handsome clock, and Mrs Shell with a silver tea service. Mr Snell, who returned thanks, said that he was so completely taken by surprise that he found it impossible to express his feelings in words. He was deeply grateful for all the kindness extended to himself and his family during their two and a half year's sojourn in Kaiparoro. It had been a pleasant time and would always be looked back on as amongst the pleasantest of their lives. Three hearty cheers were then given for Mr and Mrs Snell. Mr Snell has been a member of the local School Committee for the past two years, and he has also been a director of the Kaiparoro Cheese Company, so that his assistance in local affairs will be much missed.

On Friday night Mr Hopkins, proprietor of the "Atlas Pictures," gave in the hall an entertainment, which caused much delight to the juvenile members of the community.

26th October 1910 Wellington Education Board Kaiparoro, site for teachers' residence £20

8th November 1910 The senior classes of the local School, accompanied by their teacher, spent a couple of hours at the Cheese Factory on Wednesday morning, and the manager, Mr McCann, very courteously showed them over the building, and explained to them the whole process of cheesemaking.

15th November 1910 Kaiparoro The monthly meeting of the School Committee was held on Monday night, when the usual routine business was transacted. Mr Bradstock, of Rongokokako, conducted an English Church service in the Schoolroom on Sunday. An effort is to be made to obtain the use of the hall for church purposes. Probably if this is arranged, much-needed improvements in the lighting and ventilating of the building will be carried out.

30th November 1910 Library subsidies*were approved for, the schools at: Nireaha, £2 16s. 3d.; Kaiparoro, £2; Mauriceville, "£2 12s. '

13th December 1910 A GREAT ATTRACTION. The Kaiparoro correspondent of the Wairarapa Age writes:— A school excursion to a limestone cave on Mr H. Renall's property was made on Tuesday, and the outing proved both enjoyable and instructive. The cave is about a quarter of a mile distant from the Mt. Bruce road, and is situated amongst a range of

low hills. It is easily reached, a climb down a bank and then up a ladder about eight feet high bringing one to the entrance, a small opening which will admit only one person at a time. Lights are necessary, as inside perfect darkness reigns. Once within the entrance, it is necessary to advance in single file along a passage about half a chain in length. A stream of the clearest crystal water rushes along the floor throughout the entire length of the cave, and on each side about four feet above the stream are rocky ledges, which make a fairly firm footing. At the end of this , passage is the "first room," which though only large enough to accommodate about a dozen people, is a scene of wondrous beauty. Snowy stalactites, which glisten in the candlelight, hang from the ceiling, and are supported in many places by stalagmites that rival them in grandeur. Unfortunately vandalistic visitors have already been at work destroying what nature has probably been building up for a century or more. From this room a long winding passage, similar to the first described, has to be traversed. The rocky ledges are narrower and more slippery, and, in places, wading along the stream seems preferable. Wetas are numerous, and when the lights are turned off, fireflies may be seen glistening on the walls, the wetas create a feeling of uneasiness at first sight, but they seem quite harmless and hop away on the approach of the unaccustomed noise . After about a chain[22 feet the length of a cricket pitch] the passage widens, and the "second room" is reached. Though smaller than the first, it is fully as beautiful, and its beauties have been less marred by sightseers. The passage is continued from here. In places it becomes narrower and stout persons would probably suffer uneasy qualms on looking ahead. Another chain is traversed, and a rush of air nearly extinguishes the candles, A narrow opening—a shout from the leaders daylight once more, and then comes the greatest pleasure of the trip—the joy of watching those behind you crawl through water to the opening, and emerge muddy, dishevelled, but happy, on to the green grass to revel in the bright sunlight.

13th December 1910 The monthly meeting of the School Committee took place on Monday night. The Education Board notified that a subsidy of £2 had been granted towards the school library, and the Committee decided that this, with the money in hand, should be expended before the summer vacation in purchasing new books. Mr Davies, agricultural instructor to the Wellington Education Board, paid a visit to the local school on Thursday last.

20th December 1910 KAIPARORO. During the week the weather has varied from a steady drizzle to a heavy downpour, the latter predominating. The country is looking beautifully fresh and green, but a little sunshine would now be welcome. The local school closed for the summer vacation on Thursday last;. The following were awarded prizes for the year 1910:— Good conduct—Girls: Ettie Hansen. Boys: Bryan Lozell. Perseverance: Francis Smyth. Neatness: Ettie Hansen and Katie Lozell tied. Best pass in Standard IV: George Hansen. Book-keeping: Norman Smyth. Agriculture: Gertie Falkner. Attendance Certificates (were obtained 'by the following: First Class: Winnie Pallant, Ida Parker, Leslie Parker, and Percy Sunnex. Second Glass: Gladys Harvey. Myrtle Thomson, Bryan Lozell, and James. McAnulty. Winnie Pallant, who lives two miles from the school, has been present every time the school has been open during the past five years.

The following is a list of passes at the annual examination:—

Standard VII. Ettie Hansen. \

Standard VI.—Proficiency: Gertie Falkner, Winnie Pallant, Frances Smyth, Norman Smyth, Bryan Lozell, George Hansen.

Standard V.—Katie Lozell, Annie Parker.

Standard IV.—Rebie Smyth.

Standard III Alice Falkner, Gertie Hansen, Myrtle Thomson, Margaret Taylor.

Standard II Mary Campbell, Doris Parker, Violet Thomas, Nellie Miller, Grace Hansen, Anna Hawkins, Leslie Parker, Ernest Pike, Roland Harvey.

Standard I. -Anna Palmer, Ida Parker, Una Thomas Frank Taylor, Willie Pike, Rege Harvey, Percy Sunnex.

[Proficiency pass means free education at a secondary school]

1911

1911	37	Kaipororo	Campbell	Kathleen	D1	Head Female	£195	\$30,839
1911	37	Kaipororo	Burbush	Margaret A		Assistant Female	£108	\$17,080

In 1909 Margaret Burbush was at Taratahi West School, arriving in Kaiparoro in 1911. In 1913 she was at South Featherston and stayed there for at least four years before going to Otaki by 1919 and coming back to Featherston in 1921 to at least 1923 where she may well have taught the researcher's father who was born in 1910 and went to Featherston school

She was at a Fenwick wedding in 1933 which my grandmother also attended

7th February 1911 A special meeting of the School Committee was held on Thursday night, in order to make arrangements for the annual picnic. It was decided that the picnic should be held on February 23rd, and arrangements with reference to catering and prizes were left in the hands of the secretary of the committee—Mr Miller—and the head teacher. - . Correspondence regarding the proposed site for a teacher's residence was received from the Education Board. Arrangements were. also made to convey the senior pupils to Eketahuna on Monday night, to enable them to see Wirth's Circus.

14th February 1911 On Monday night last, owing to the appearance in Eketahuna of ;Wirth's Circus, Kaiparoro, was almost depopulated, and the road presented quite an animated appearance as. a stream of vehicles, horsemen, and cyclists wended their way towards the township. Thirty pupils of the local school were, driven to Eketahuna in order that they might visit the circus. They were under- the guidance of Mr Miller, secretary of the School Committee, and of the head teacher, and in spite of minor inconveniences, such as tight packing into a brake, etc., the children thoroughly enjoyed their outing, and were wide enough awake on their return at 1 a.m. to give three hearty cheers for the genial secretary of the Committee, who provided horses, acted as driver, and made most of the arrangements for the trip.

28th February 1911 The annual school picnic was-held in | the school grounds on Thursday last. Perfect weather conditions prevailed, and as a result visitors were present from far and near, and all appeared to enjoy the outing. The pupils of the school were all in attendance at 10 a.m., and the next two hours were , spent in races and various competitions for which prizes were awarded. By ; 12 o'clock every child was the happy ' possessor of some long-coveted toy, and then, as most of the parents and friends of tile children had arrived, an adjournment was made for lunch. An ample supply of sandwiches, cakes, and tea was passed round, and after full justice had been done to the good things, a programme of sports for the seniors was carried through. Fruit and lollies were distributed throughout the afternoon;

games were indulged in by the more energetic of those present, and the proceedings were considerably enlivened by music supplied by the Kaiparoro Brass Band, the members of which very kindly gave their services free. Four members of the School Committee donated two sheep and two pigs for a weight-guessing competition, which attracted a good deal of attention. The successful competitors were Mrs Harold Renall, Mrs Lyle, Mr Dick, and Mr Herbert Renall. At five o'clock tea was served, and by seven most of those present turned s their face homewards. The Hall was well filled for the dance which, was held in the evening. Excellent music was supplied by Mrs Udy, and dancing was kept up until 2 a.m.! The members of the School Committee worked assiduously throughout the day, and they are certainly to be congratulated on the success attending their efforts.

3rd March Masterton A and P show results included Composition Frances Smythe Kaiparoro 1st. Penmanship under 15 K Lozell Kaiparoro 2nd. Map of NZ Frances Smythe 1st Best collection of vegetables Kaiparoro

27th March 1911 Masterton D.H. S. and Side School 775, Carterton D.H.S. 269, Pahiatua D.H.S. 238, Greytown D.H.S. 227, Mangatainoka 145, Featherston 137, Martin borough 115, Lansdowne 144, Eketahuna 113, Fernridge 86. Clareville 83, Nireaha 65, Konini 61, Scarborough 59, Pongaroa 50, Parkvale 52, Kaiwairangi 43 Rongokokako 41, Kaitawa 40, Mako Mabo 42, Ballance 53, Dalefield 52. Hukanui 67. Hamua, 53, Belvedere 47, Hastwell 46, Gladstone 43, Kaiparoro 39, Mauriceville West 38, Te Ore Ore 37.

4th April 1911 Mr Fleming, Chief Inspector to -the Wellington Education 1 Board, paid a visit of inspection to the local school during the week

18th April 1911 Miss Thompson, assistant teacher at the Kaiparoro school, has received notice of har appointment to a similar position at Puriri, Auckland, and she will probably be leaving at the end of the month to take up her new duties.

25th April 1911 Considerable interest is being taken in the School Committee election, which is to take place this evening.

Mr Davies, Agricultural Instructor, employed by the Wellington Education Board, paid a visit .of inspection to the Kaiparoro School on Wednesday last

2nd May 1911 Pending the appointment of a permanent assistant teacher to the local school, Miss Lily Feist, of Carterton, was appointed relieving teacher, and she took up her duties on the first of the month.

9th May 1911 The usual monthly meeting of the School Committee took place on Monday last. There was a, full attendance of members, and a good deal of important business- was transacted. 'The Committee decided that in order to promote an. improved attendance, they would, award attendance prizes at the end of -the year

9th May 1911 Miss Burbush appointed

16th May 1911 Miss Burbush, from the, West Taratahi school, has been appointed assistant teacher in the local school

20th June 1911 he local school closed for a fortnight's holiday on Friday last. Miss Feist, who has been acting as relieving assistant during the past two months, has received an appointment elsewhere, and her place will be taken, after the vacation by the newly appointed assistant, Miss Burbush

28th June 1911 The work of surveying a site for a school residence has just been completed. The education Board has been fortunate in being able to acquire for the purpose an acre of land, occupying a commanding position, close to the school

11th July 1911 The local school opened on July 3rd, after a fortnight's vacation. The monthly meeting of the School Committee, which, was to have taken place on that date, lapsed for want of a quorum.

8th August 1911 Most of the children in the district are at present suffering from measles, and several adults have been rather seriously ill with the same complaint. In several cases the services of a doctor have had to be called in.

12th September 1911 The local school opened yesterday, after a week's holiday. The work of fencing in the site for the school residence is to be commenced almost immediately.

15th September 1911. Wellington Education Board call tenders for a new teacher's residence

26th September 1911 Mr -Fleming, Chief Inspector.- ; to the Wellington Education, Board, examined the local school on the 19th inst. The children were granted a holiday at the week end.

2nd October 1911 Miss Campbell is on the committee of the Wairarapa NZEI[Teacher's Union]

10th October 1911 The monthly meeting of the School Committee was held on Monday night, there being present.— Messrs A. Falkner (chairman), J. Harvey, Hawkins, Q. Falkner, L. Parker, and OC Burton; It was decided to proceed at once with planting the school residence site, the fencing of which has just been completed. The work of arranging for progressive euchre tournaments, to be held fortnightly, in order to add to the school funds, was left in the hands of Messrs Parker and Burton

17th October 1911 Mr W. C. Davies, the Wellington Education Board's Agricultural Instructor, paid a visit to the local school last Wednesday.

Arrangements are being made to hold a concert early next month, in aid of the school funds. The best local talent is being secured, and two popular singers from Eketahuna have very kindly promised to give their services. The programme is to conclude with a farce, which will ensure to all who attend an hour of thorough enjoyment.

31st October 1911 The Hastwell-Kaiparoro road, is at present in a shocking state of disrepair, and complaints concerning it are rife. A motor drive over "it is now very much akin to a trip across Cook Strait in a storm. A progressive euchre tournament held in the hall on Saturday night in aid of school funds, passed off very successfully. There was a good attendance, and an enjoyable evening was spent.

1st November 1911 The tender of Mr A. R. Power, of Eketahuna, has been accepted by the Wellington Education Board for the erection of a teacher's residence at; Kaiparoro,

14th November 1911 On Thursday last a concert, in aid of school funds took place in the hall. In spite of the severity of the weather, there was a good attendance, and a sum of over six pounds was cleared. The following programme was given : Opening item, Myrene Waltz' Kaiparoro Brass Band; songs, "Blithely Sings, the Lark" and "Merrily Sing," School Children; recitation, "A Bush Christening," Mr Burton; pianoforte duet "Lucretia Borgia," Miss and Miss A. Campbell; cornet duet, piano accompaniment, "Silver Moonlight Winds are Blowing," Messrs L. Parker and W. Edwards; recitation, "Memories," Mr Burton; song, "Green Bonnets," Miss Campbell; recitation, "How Jimmy tended the Baby," Miss Campbell.

Several performers from a distance were prevented from attending. The second part of the programme consisted of a farce, "Fun in the Kitchen," which kept the audience in a simmer of amusement throughout. The various characters were well sustained by the following:— Misses V. and G. Falkner, and Messrs L. Parker, Burton and Cherry. The remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing, music being supplied by the Kaiparoro Band, and Messrs Holdsworth, Lozell and Edwards. A sumptuous supper was supplied by the ladies, the edibles, provided being thoroughly appreciated. Dancing was kept up until nearly 3 a.m., when a lull in the storm enabled those present to reach home comparatively dry

4th November 1911 Polling clerks Kaiparoro K Campbell C Gibbard

6th December 1911 Quite a gloom has been cast over the district on account of the accident to Mr L. Parker, the popular owner of the Kaiparoro sawmill. Mr Parker's condition is at present extremely critical, and Mrs Parker and family have the sympathy of all in the anxious time through which they are passing.

In cases of accident such as that of Saturday week, the need of a telephone service is keenly felt, and probably an effort will now be made to urge upon the Department the requirements of the district in this respect.

The School Committee met on Monday night, and after passing a motion of sympathy with Mrs Parker over the serious illness of her husband, who was one of its most active members, adjourned the meeting for a week as a mark of regret.

7th December 1911 In a long obituary for Mr Parker: Mr Parker was also a prominent member of the School Committee and has always taken a keen interest in school affairs. He has left a wife and nine young children, the youngest of whom is only thirteen years of age, to mourn their loss.

12th December 1911 The school was closed on Wednesday afternoon on account of the funeral of the late Mr L. Parker, who was a member of the School Committee. In common with other schools throughout the district, the local school closes on December 13th for the summer vacation.

30th December 1911. Mr W. Miller has been elected to fill the vacancy on the Kaiparoro school committee caused by the death of Mr J. Parker.

1912

1912	34	Kaipororo	Campbell	Kathleen	D1	Head Female	£200	\$30,672
1912	34	Kaipororo	Burbush	Margaret A	Lic	Assistant Female	£114	\$17,483

6th February 1912 The local school re-opened on January 20th. Some improvements to the school residence; site were carried out during the holidays by the School Committee, and the work of building the residence is being pushed on expeditiously by the contractor, Mr Power.

13th February 1912 A meeting of the School Committee was held on February 5th. There were present, Messrs Falkner (chairman), Burton (secretary), Hawkins, and Miller. The teacher's report was read and adopted, and correspondence from the Education Board was dealt with. It was decided to call a special meeting of the Committee on February 12th, in order to make arrangements for the annual school picnic, which is to take place at the end of the month. Arrangements are pretty well completed for the construction of a private

telephone line to link up this district with Eketahuna. The line will reach as far as Mr Wall's, near the Ruamahunga bridge, and most of the settlers on the Mount Bruce road intend connecting their residences with it. Up to the present time the only link with the outer world has been the daily mail, and the establishment of a telephone connection will be a distinct boon to the settlers

20th February 1912 The annual -school picnic is to be held on February 29th. The youngsters are at present diligently canvassing for subscriptions, and they are proving very successful collectors. Should the weather prove ' kind for the occasion, .a very pleasant outing is promised to those attending. In the evening a dance will be held in the hall.

10th April 1912 The monthly meeting of the . School Committee was held on. the first inst., there being present Messrs Falkner (chairman), Buxton (secretary), Harvey, Miller and O. Falkner. The secretary reported that a substantial' sum of money had been . raised by means of the euchre tournaments organised by the Committee during the past few months. It was decided to expend part of this sum on attendance prizes, to be presented at the end of the present month to the twelve pupils who had made the highest attendances during the last two years. The selection of -the prizes was left to the head teacher

24th April 1912 School Committee: Messrs A. Falkner (chairman), C. Buxton (secretary), J. McAnulty, O. Falkner, H R, Renall, J. McCann, A. Palmer

29th May 1912 Wellington Education Board Kaiparoro repairs and painting of roof £4. 5 shillings

6th June 1912 The .monthly meeting of. the School Committee took place on Monday evening, when the usual routine .business was transacted.

26th June 1912 Mr Dineen, the Wellington. Education Board's Truant Inspector, paid a visit to the 'local school during the week.

26th June 1912 Wellington Education Board: Kaiparoro Metal

9th July 1912 The .monthly meeting of the School Committee, which was to have taken place on July 1st, was, owing to the absence of the secretary, postponed for a week. A very pleasant evening was spent in the hall on Saturday, when the usual fortnightly dance; took place. The success of these gatherings has been .somewhat marred lately owing to the continuous wet weather, but 'judging by the energy displayed by those .who occupied the floor on Saturday night, dancing is not going to be allowed to decline

17th July 1912 The local .school .re-opened on Monday, after the -week's term 'holiday,; which had been postponed from May.

24th July 1912 The School Committee is at present carrying out improvements to the school grounds,. Drains are being opened up, and the paths are being spread with a heavy coating of gravel.

18th August 1912 Last Saturday night ono of the most successful evenings organised by the School Committee took place in the hall. Between forty and fifty persons were present, and considerable interest was taken. in the euchre tournament, which occupied the early part of the evening. The prize winners were Miss Ethel Falkner and Mr Bryan Lozell'. The last two hours of the evening were devoted to dancing.

25th September 1912 The Wellington Education Board has granted eight months' leave of absence to Miss L McGregor, assistant at the Masterton School, and a similar leave to Miss

K. Campbell, head teacher at Kaiparoro. Miss Kerr, of Ballance, was granted six weeks' leave, and Miss A. Campbell, of Hastwell, three months.

5th November 1912 On Thursday night a euchre tournament in aid of school funds was held in the hall. About fifty persons were present, and a very enjoyable time was spent. The early part of the evening was devoted to progressive euchre. Prizes, awarded by the school committee, were won by Miss E. Falkner and Mr T. Edwards." After a light supper had been served the floor was cleared for dancing, which was kept up until about 1 a.m. The school committee is to be congratulated on the success which has attended these gatherings. They are looked forward to with pleasure by young and old and they have been the means of considerably increasing the school funds.

12th November 1912 The monthly meeting of the school committee took place last Monday night, there being present—Messrs -A. Faulkner (chairman), O. Burton (secretary), J. McCann, O. Faulkner and A. Palmer. Owing to pressure of work it was decided to discontinue the fortnightly euchre tournaments. For the concert, to be held at the end of the month, in aid of the school library, were discussed.

Mr A. B. Charters paid the annual visit of inspection to the school last Tuesday. The bush at present is gay with the blossoms of rangiora and clematis, of which plants are flowering unusually freely.

26th November 1912 Tickets for the concert, that is to take place in the Kaiparoro Hall next Thursday in aid of school funds are selling freely. Diligent practice has been put into the farce—"Mad as a Hatter"—which is to be performed by local amateurs, and an evening of genuine amusement is promised to all those who patronise the entertainment.

The roof of the school has been given a coat of paint, and improvements are also to be made to the water supply. The concrete tank, which is being installed, will act as a reservoir to store the waters of a spring near at hand, and pipes will convey it to the teacher's residence, and, if practicable, to the school.

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4th December 1912 On Thursday night a concert in aid of school funds took place in the hall. Rain poured steadily down throughout the afternoon and evening, but fortunately, tickets had been sold previously, and so the hall was well filled—a sum of over £10 being taken at the door. The following programme, was rendered, all the items being warmly applauded by the audience: "Pianoforte duet, "Quinary Hire!" Misses "BurbUish and K. Lrizell ; song, "Bid Me to Love," Mr CakW; song, "The Laird of (-nek pen." Mr J a go; tableau illustratim; fvnue. Mi > !" •" .-- nee and Mr Hamilton : song, "Asleep in the Deep," Mr O. Kalkner; recitatioa. "Ask Mama." Mr O. Burton: song. "The Little Irish Girl." Miss Bnrbiisb: "Caebuoan dance," Misses R. Smith, A. Falkner. A. Palmer and O. Hansen; sons, "The Toilers," Mr Denisou ; vocal duet, "Hunting Tower," Miss C'amobell and Mr ./ago; trombone solo, Mr H. Renall; song. "One of the Family," Mr ./ago; vocal duet, "The Minute Gun 'at Sea/ 5 Messrs Calder and Denison ; recitation. "How We Hunter! a. Mon 10 ." Miss Campbell; song, "I Wonder Who is Kissing Her Now," Mr Hamilton. The latter part of the programme consisted "of a fare-". "Ma<] as a, Ha+te- " in which the following took part: Mr Ootehetty Fuz/.elton. Mr O. Falkner; ' Fanny Fuzzelton, Miss G. Falkner; Oharlev Harebrain, Mr O. Burton; Bob, Mr

dago; Maria. Miss Falkner; Mr Ames. Miss 'Burbush; Mr Wye Zed. Miss V. Falkner. The humorous situations arising throughout the piece kept the audience in a simmer of amusement, and the applause elicited somewhat repaid the performers for the cold wet practice nights they had had to face during the previous few weeks. The singing of the National Anthem brought the programme to an conclusion, and the floor was then cleared for dancing. Music for the dance was very kindly supplied by Misses Jago. K. Lozell, G. Falkner, and Mr T. Edwards. A band of willing helpers dispensed supper, and it was nearly 3 a.m. before the last of the dancers wended their way home ward?.

The monthly meeting of the school committee took place last night, there being present— Messrs Falkner (chairman). C. Burton (secretary), Renall. O. Faulkner. and J. McAnulty. It was decided to give, the children's Christmas tree and plain and fancy dress hall, to be held on the evening of. December 18th. It was also decided that £3 he expended in purchasing library books for the school. Arrangements for obtaining prizes for the tree and for selecting library books were, left-in the hands of the head teacher

17th December 1912 Quite a number of evening entertainments are to take place in., the neighbourhood during next week.' On Tuesday night a school concert is to be held at Rongokokako, on Wednesday night a school concert at Hastwell, and on the same night the children attending the Kaiparoro School are to be given a Xmas Tree in the ball. Arrangements for the latter are well in hand, and the event is being eagerly looked forward to by the juveniles.

24th December 1912 On Wednesday last a children's fancy dress dance, arranged by the school committee and the teachers, was held in the hall. The chief attraction of the evening was a Christmas tree, which, was placed in the centre of the hall, and well-laden, with presents provided by the committee. The proceedings opened with the grand march, in which about fifty children took part, many of them being in fancy dress. The hall was crowded with parents and friends of the children—many of whom appeared as keenly interested as the children themselves. After an hour's dancing the presents from the Xmas tree were given out by Mr Falkner, chairman of the school committee, who arrayed as Father' Christmas, played the part to perfection, and hugely delighted the youngsters. The children occupied the floor until half past 10 o'clock, when a sumptuous supper, provided by the parents?-, was served. After supper the floor was taken by the grown-ups, and dancing was kept up until 2 o'clock. Music was provided gratuitously by Misses Jasro. V. Falkner, K. Lozell and Messrs Holdsworth and O. Harvey.

The following were the fancy dresses worn by the children Bethie Smyth, Dutch Girl; Alice Palmer, Lost Luggage ; Ethel Falkner. Old English; Eva Falkner, Evnmrcline ; Allie Falknor and Anna Hawkins, Cachuca Girls; Annie Palmer. Gipsy Fortune teller ; Winnie Hawkins, Pansy; Nellie Miller, Flower Girl; Minnie Miller, Starlight; Grace Hansen. Sunflower; Gertie Hansen, Suffragette; Doris Parker, Japanese; Ida and Freda Parker. Two Little Girls in Blue; Erin a Renall. Spanish Girl; Nora RoTinnl. Pansy: Mona McOann, Fairy; Jrm MicA.nnulty, Bluebeard; Jimmy Hansen, Indian; Peter Hanson Gambler; Roc:. Harvey. Cards: Ernest Pike, Escaped Convict. On Thursday afternoon the school was closed for the summer vacation. Attendance certificates were won by the following: Nellie Miller, Minnie Miller, Ivy Sunnex, Percy Sunnex. Second-class. Alice Palmer, James McAnulty and Ernest Pike. Prize? presented by the head teacher were awarded a. 1 -- foHow: Good conduct (senior elates).

Gertie Hansen: junior classes. Tvy Garrett-; persovAnnn. Hawkinf' neatness. A> lie Falkner r>nd Alice Palmer; special prizes for idilirrtfuce •->lld good conduct w Oll hv Winnie Hawk'n? and Minnin Miller.\

24th December 1912 At the breaking-up of the Kaiparoro school last week, Miss M. A. Burbush, who has been assistant teacher at the school for the last eighteen months and whose services cannot be retained, owing to the decreased attendance, was presented by the children with a manicure set.

1913

1913	31	Kaipororo	Stuckey	Dorothy	D2	Female	£180	\$27,000
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19th February 1913 Bush fires that were burning briskly a week ago, were. quenched by the heavy rain that fell oil Wednesday last. It was, perhaps, rather fortunate that they were put out, as the severe gale that sprang up 011 Thursday night would probably, have caused them to do damage. Beyond the partial unroofing of an unoccupied building on Mr Isakson's property, no damage resulted from the gale. The juvenile members of the community were somewhat disappointed when Wednesday, the day of the annual school picnic, dawned cloudy and threatening. By ten> o'clock the children, teachers, and members of the school committee had assembled in the school' grounds, and as the rain held off until lunch time, the main part of the programme of sports arranged for the . children was carried out successfully out of doors.. Prizes were distributed amongst the children present, even the babies being catered for. By noon a fairly large gathering of parents and residents of the district had assembled on the grounds, and as rain was commencing to fall, an adjournment was made to the hall, where an appetising luncheon was served. During the afternoon indoor games were played by children' and grown-ups, and various competitions, for which substantial prizes were provided in. abundance, and the afternoon passed: away pleasantly: and, according to the children's ideas, all too quickly. Tea was served early," as the hour for milking drew nigh, and most of those present wished to return to the dance in the evening. After full justice had been done to the dainties provided, an adjournment was made until half-past-eight o'clock, by which time the hall was again' well filled, and' dancing, to first class music, supplied by Mrs Udy, was kept up until, the wee, small hours. Lamb-guessing competitions / were won respectively by Messrs H. Hansen , and J. Snell and C. Harvey. Special praise is due to the members of the School Committee, one and all of whom put forth every effort to make the day am enjoyable one to the children and their friends

26th February 1913 Wellington Education Board Pipes for water service £3 16 shillings

28th February 1913 Miss Campbell, who has been .' in charge of the Kaiparoro school for over seven years, and who has secured eight months' leave to visit the Old Country, was on Tuesday afternoon presented by her pupils with a travelling rug. Tn the evening Miss Campbell was entertained at a social in the Public Hall by residents of the district, when she was presented with a silver backed brush and comb by ex-pupils. Mr A. Falkner, chairman of the school committee, in a felicitous speech, made the presentation, and three hearty cheers were given the recipient. Miss Campbell feelingly replied, and in doing so thanked the people for the many which had been extended to her.

3rd March 1913 On Thursday a number of the residents of the district journeyed to Eketahuna to attend the show < there. The weather favoured the outing, and the general opinion was that the show was* one of the most successful held in the township. Pupils attending the Kaiparoro school were awarded writing prizes as follows: Alice Palmer 1st, Allie Falkner and Gertie Hansen 2nd, Myrtle' Thomson 3rd, and Rebie Smyth highly commended.

3rd March 1913 Valedictory On Tuesday night last the many friends that Miss K. Campbell has made during her residence in Kaiparoro, met together to say "good-bye" to her before her departure for England and America. The hall was packed to its utmost, and a very pleasant evening was spent in dancing, music being supplied by the ladies of the gathering. After supper, which was provided by the ladies present, Mr Falkner, chairman of the school committee, spoke of the purpose of the gathering, and in a neat little speech .spoke of the esteem in which Miss Campbell is 'held by everyone- in the district. She has been in charge of the school for the past five years, during which time she has done all that lay in her power to help both the children and .residents of the district. Ho hoped that she would have a very enjoyable trip and a safe return to Kaiparoro before the end of the year. On behalf of the ex-pupils of the school he handed her a handsome silver-backed comb and brush,, and expressed the bono that these articles, as well as a travelling rug, which had been presented by the present pupils-during the afternoon, would keep her in. mind of her Kaiparoro friends while she was away. Miss Campbell, in reply, thanked the people for all their kindness to her, and said how much she. valued these gifts, which were quite a surprise to her, especially when she remembered the scoldings she had given the donors. She hoped to be back among them all on her return and hoped that her travels would prove of great benefit to her work. Three hearty cheers were then called for the guest of the evening, which were followed by the chorus "For she's a jolly good fellow," after which three more ringing cheers were given. During the evening songs were .rendered by Messrs Jago and Dennison, who are both great favourites with a. district audience. Dancing was kept up till the early hours of the morning.

13th March 1913 The usual monthly meeting of the School Committee was held on the 3rd hist., all the members being present. Miss Taylor, 'who is acting as relieving teacher at the school during the nest eight months, is expected to take up her duties on the 17th of this month.

25th March 1913 Miss K. Campbell, daughter of Mr John Campbell, of Opaki, who has been teacher at the Kaiparoro school for a number of years, leaves Masterton to-day, en route for England, the United States and Canada. She will be absent for about eight months. Her numerous friends will wish her a pleasant journey

30th April 1913 Miss Kilmartin is at present in charge of the Kaiparoro School

30th April New School Committee Messrs A. Faulkner, O. Falkner, W. Miller, J. McCann, J. McAnulty, A. Palmer and C. Burton

11th June 1913 Miss D Stuckey (Levin) appointed Kaiparoro [Presumably Miss Campbell realised she was not going back to Kaiparoro]

4th August 1913 Miss Kilmartin," who has been, relieving here for the last four months, leaves on Saturday for Levin, where she is to act. as relieving assistant in the local school.

6th August 1913 Miss D. Stuckey, of the staff of the Levin public school, has received a presentation at Levin on the eve. of her departure to the Kaiparoro school.

Dorothy Ellen Stuckey Started as a Pupil Teacher at Levin in 1901. After teaching at Kaiparoro she taught at Levin again in 1914 and didn't teach under the name Stuckey again

1915/1786	Dorothy Ellen	Stuckey	George William	Higgin
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1914

1914	29	Kaipororo	Stuckey	Dorothy Ellen	D2	Female	£190	\$27,202
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5th June 1914 Mrs Adam Hughan (Rongokokako) who has been visiting relatives at Carterton, has returned to her home.

Mr and Mrs J. Barnett and their daughters (Rongokokako) motored through to Miki Miki where they were the guests of Mrs A. Anderson for a few days. They left on Saturday for Mauriceville to spend the week end with Mrs Barnett's mother, Mrs J. McKeown

29th August 1914 Equipping the Expeditionary Force with an ambulance £1 2s 6d

30th September Wellington Education Board Additional fencing £1 10s

27th October 1914 Wellington Education Board A Grant to repair shelter shed

7th June 1915 HIGGIN STUCKEY.—On June 5th, at St. Matthew's church Church, Masterton, by Rev H Watson, Geo. Wm., youngest son of Mrs Higgin Feilding, to Dorothy Ellen, second daughter of late F J. Stuckey, Levin and Mrs. Stuckey, Durban, South Africa

1915

1915	25	Kaipororo	Iorns	Ivy	D2	Female	£140	\$18,753
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7th January 1915 TEACHERS' CAMP AT PLIMMERTON , Between 25 and 30 lady teachers from the Wairarapa district are at present in camp at Plimmerton undergoing physical training. The camp is the outcome of a request D. Stuckey (Kaipororo) organised the camp. The teachers are paying their own expenses, and instruction is being provided by the physical branch of the Education Department, Miss D. K. Heritage acting as instructress and Mr. J. R. Just as quartermaster. The teachers went into camp on Monday last, and so far have had a very enjoyable and profitable time The ladies rise at 6 o'clock each morning, when they are served with hot coffee and biscuits. Drill commences at 7 o'clock, and after a long spell for dinner, work ' is completed at 4.15 in the afternoon. No difficulty is found in making the evenings extremely pleasant. The camp will conclude tomorrow week.

8th June 1915 Wellington Education Board Kaiparoro, sole teacher, Mrs. A. Robbie

16th June 1915 . Mr Jno. Duggan, lately of the Waipawa : District High School, is relieving at Kaiparoro, Eketahuna, pending the opening of the new Britomart street school, Wellington, to which he has been recently appointed

26th June 1915 For Hospital Ship Rongokokako School children 3 dozen hanks

29th June 1915 Mrs Robbie, who had charge of the Waterfalls School, has been transferred to the Kaiparoro School, near Eketahuna. Before leaving Waterfalls, Mrs Robbie was the recipient of several presents, including an eiderdown quilt from the parents, a silver-topped scent bottle from the pupils, a silver teapot and handkerchiefs, and other presents.[Water falls was the original name for the Tiraumea District and school

28th September 1915 Mrs Robbie's resignation was received by the Wellington Education Board today from Kaipororo

Ivy Iorns hadn't taught at a Wellington Education Board school since leaving the Normal School in about 1913

19th November 1915 The head teacher of the Rongokokako School (Mr. J. Barnett) forwards the sum of £1 2s from the pupils of the school for "Uncle Tom's" Belgian Fund.

14th December 1915 Appointed Miss O Clifford as assistant

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1916-1917

1917	28	Kaipororo	Carson	Frederick G	Sole		£158	\$17,653
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12th February 1916 Mr K McKenzie appointed Head Teacher

6th July 1916 War Relief Association Mrs. M. MacEwan reported that splendidly-made garments for the use of soldiers' dependants 'had been forwarded by the children, of the Kaipororo, Hutt District High, and Stokes Valley Schools.

22nd March 1917 The Kaiparoro school annual picnic was held in the school grounds yesterday. and was a great success, as this event always is, writes our Kaiparoro correspondent. The weather was perfect for a picnic, and people were out. to enjoy themselves. The various sideshows contributed to the success of the gathering, both from a sporting and from a financial point of view. The rifle range was in charge of Mr V. Falkner, The Kaiser" (5 shots for 6d) was looked after by Mr C. Welch. Mr Sunnex took charge of the Red Cross sheep, and Mr Farquhar the school lamb (donated by Mr A. Lawrence), and Miss N". Miller the cake, which was made by Mr T. Sunnex and iced by Mr Farquhar, and which proved that the ladies sometimes have to take a back seat in the kitchen. Mr Carson (the schoolmaster) had charge of the races.

Mrs J.-Lozell won the married ladies' race, and Miss N Miller the old girls' race. The most exciting event of the day was the Kaiparoro hurdles (2 ft high)for single men, won in fine style by Johnny Welch, with Bill Hansen a good second.

A dance was held in the evening and drew a large crowd. The unusual sight was seen of a square dance for "ladies only, , ' partly due to the war and partly to the native bashfulness of the young men of the district. Miss Lozell supplied the music, and extras were played by Miss I. Isakson, Mrs Carson and Mr Les. Johnston. Miss Bannister delighted the audience with a couple of recitations, and Mr Poupard's comic songs brought loud applause. During the evening the winners of the competitions were announced. Miss Ivy Sunnex and

Mr H. Cherry tied for the school lamb (weight guessing), and Mr H. Falkner won the Red Cross sheep (grains of wheat in a bottle), while Mrs Waters won the iced cake.

1st May 1917 the annual meeting of householders was held in the school last, night. The outgoing committee's report stated that a subsidy of £15 10s had been received from the Education Board. This subsidy was granted on monies that had been raised by a concert and in other ways. The balance in hand was just over £17. Mr Farquhar was voted to the chair for the meeting, and, after some discussion, the report was adopted. The election of a committee for the ensuing year then took place. As there were more nominations than vacancies a ballot was taken and resulted in Messrs T. C. Farquhar, O. Falkner, C. Welch (all re-elected), A. Lawrence and A. Jackson being returned. After the householders' meeting the new committee

m a t and transacted formal business. Mr Farquhar was appointed chairman, and Mr O. Falkner secretary, being re-elected to the positions they held last year.

25th June 1917 r Carson, of the local school, left for Palmerston North to-day, to attend a territorial officers' refresher camp for a fortnight. During his absence Miss Bright will have charge of the school.

6th July 1917 Mr Carson, headmaster of the local school, returns on Saturday from Palmerston. Miss Bright, who has been relieving him, returns to Masterton today, and thence to Rongomai to do relieving work.

19th July 1917 The school committee, at its monthly .meeting on Monday night last, decided to go on with some of the necessary draining work. The greater part of the /improvements to be carried out will have to wait until the weather is better.

Mr F. G. Carson, our local schoolmaster, has been granted a lieutenancy in the' senior cadets, and will be attached to the 81st Company, which has its headquarters at Eketahuna. I understand that it is the intention of the Defence authorities to make Kaiparoro a drill centre for Hastwell, Kaiparoro and Rongokokako , as there are a number of lads in this district who do not attend drills anywhere.

Arrangements are in hand for the school concert, which will be held some--where about the end of August

8th August 1917 The School Committee, at its meeting on Monday, with a view to inducing a better attendance at the school, have decided to offer two attendance prizes, One for children living within a mile of the school, mil one for those living over 31 mile from the school.

27th August 1917 The school concert is to be held on Friday evening next. A good programme has been arranged, and some performers new to Kaiparoro audiences will help. During the evening presentations will be made to Privates Win. Hansen and John Dick, of the 30th Reinforcements, who are home on final leave. A dance will, of course, be held afterwards.

The school will be closed for a fortnight as the teacher is to attend the spring school in Masterton for that time.

30th August 1917 was stated at last night's meeting at Kaiparoro that unless a bridge is erected soon children from that side of the river will not be able to come to school, as the foot passenger swing bridge is now unsafe, and it is feared that it will break down altogether before long. [This is before the ANZAC bridge was built]

30th August 1917 The- breach, of promise ease referred to a few days ago is set down for hearing- at the Kaiparoro School Concert tomorrow evening, before His Honour Judge Fourex and a special jury, when a claim for £50,000 damages against, a well-known resident will be heard. The eminent K.C., Mr Rookem Always, will appear for plaintiff, while the equally notorious Mr Adam Swindler, P.C., L.L.B., has been retained for tb« defence. ,

1st September 1917 very large audience gathered in the Hall last night for the school concert. A lengthy programme was. presented, and was well received by the audience A number of the performers were new to Kaiparoro audiences, but it is hoped that this will not be the last occasion on which they will be heard. Songs were contributed by Miss Nellie O'Donnell, Mrs A. Falkner, Mrs M. Welch, Mr Harrison, Mr A. Falkner and Mr O. Falkner. The latter suing some of Harry Lauder's songs in costume and brought down the house. Miss Nellie Miller also contributed a recitation. The. children's items were "The Soldier," by Leslie Waters; "A

Little Boy Called Taps." by Vincent Jackson; duet, "The Two Dolls," by Myrtle Richardson and Isabel Jackson; 'Keep the Home Fires Burning" and "A Patriotic Pattern to the World," by the boys and girls; "If I Were -a Dewdrop, ' "Swing and Sing," and "Pretty little Violet," by the girls only.."-Recitations were contributed by Minnie' Miller ("Rescued"), Myrtle Richardson,(The inspector"), Phil Henson the Push"), and Jim Hansen Settlers!") After the concert was over little Rita McAnulty, on behalf of the children, presented Miss Lozell, with a , pretty Doulton ware candlestick as, .a, mark of appreciation of her kindness in playing for their practices : and at the concert.

The second part of the concert to taken, up with the much-talked-of breach of promise case. Mr. V. Falkner, as His Honour Judge Fourex, was most dignified and impressive... Mr H. H. Cherry as Mr Rookem Always, K.C., counsel for plaintiff, and Mr F. G. Carson as Mr Adam Swindler, P. C., LLB., counsel for defendant, carried their duties and dignities out satisfactorily. Mr C. Bannister took the part of plaintiff (Mrs O'Flaherty), and Mr Geo. Hensen (Adolphus Fitzgeorge Alsace) the defendant, a trifler with ladies' affections. Witnesses were' Miss Marie Isabel Lorraine, companion to plaintiff .(Miss Falkner), .Jeffre Brusiloff Haig, defendant's valet (Mr T. C. Farquhar), Isaac Brilliantshire, a Jew .jeweller..(Mr A. .Jackson), and John Macrocarpa, caretaker of "the Masterton Park (Mr R. E. Bannister), while Sergeant D Longfellow (Mr C Welch), upheld the majesty of the law. The the court was upset by an individual from Masterton, in an apparent state of horrible intoxication, who stated that he was sent up by Bill Massey and Joe Ward to build a, bridge over the river for Dick Bannister, to enable him to get his milk to the whey factory. Sergeant Longfellow promptly arrested the offender, and his honour .as promptly sentenced him to 14 days' hard labour digging up the school garden. After this interruption the case went on, rith an occasional brush between counsel. The jury. Miss Lozell, Mrs Carson, Mrs A. Falkner, Messrs W. Henson, T. O'Donnell and A. Lawrence (foreman), found for plaintiff, and muleted defendant in £2500. damages. A number of good local hits helped to enliven proceedings. ...

Supper was provided after the case was ended, and wristlet watches were presented to Privates W. Hansen' and John Dick by Mr Falkner, on-behalf of residents in 'the district. Dancing was kept up till a late hour, a number- of songs being contributed between _dances' Mr George Hansen was an efficient M.C., and music was provided by Miss Lozell, Mrs Udy and Miss Carson. The night was a great success,- will add considerably to the school grounds improvement fund.

27th December 1917 At the recent proficiency examination at the .local school, thrive candidates were examined and all three passed. They were Cyril Richardson, .James Hansen and James McAnulty.

1918-1919

1919	31	Kaipororo	Carson	Frederick G	Sole		£220	\$19,875
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15th January 1918 Called to arms F G Carson Schoolmaster Kaiparoro

9th February 1918 2 pupils from Kaipororo have enrolled at Masterton District High School

19th February 1918 The school is closed at present owing to the serious indisposition of the teacher. It will not re-open before next Monday. The school picnic is to be hold on Thursday, 26th inst.

28th February 1918 The annual picnic was held in the .school ground yesterday. The day was not promising early, but turned out tine later, and a large crowd gathered for the popular fixture. Games were indulged in and races run by the children. Mr Lawrence and Mr V. Falkner each donated a lamb, Miss N. Miller a puppy, and Mrs Thompson a box of fowls for guessing competitions. "Aunt Sally ,, was very much in evidence. A side show that aroused much excitement and raked in many " bawhees" was that where, the "Siamese Twins" were exhibited under the Loquacious management of Professor Ricardo Balustrade. The puppy was won by Mr Farquhar, one lamb by Mr Erickson, and the other resulted in a tie between Mrs Udy and Mr Thompson. A dance was held in the evening when a goodly number attended. Miss Lozell provided the music- and a number of extras were played. The school funds will be considerably augmented as a result of the picnic and dance.

The school is still closed. The Education Board is arranging to send a relieving teacher, as Mr Carson will not be able to resume duty for some time.

14th March 1918 The school is still closed, as the Education Board has ,so far, been quite unable to procure the services of a relieving teacher. The shortage is most acute, and enquiries in other districts show that the position is as serious there as in the Wellington district. Mr Carson left for the north to-day, his doctor having ordered him away for a few weeks to recuperate. Motorists who know what a boon the bridge will be are responding liberally to the request for assistance towards building it

16th March 1918 A correspondent to the Eketahuna "Express" writes: It would be interesting to know if it is the intention of the Education Board to permanently close the Kaiparoro school It certainly looks like it, as the school has only been open for a short time this-year, owing to the illness of the teacher. This sort of thing is quite unfair to the scholars, and- if the school is not soon opened and kept open arrangements will be made for some of the children at least to attend other schools.

19th March 1918 Miss Wing, of Wellington, has been appointed relieving teacher at the Kaiparoro school during the indisposition of Mr. Carson

27th March 1918 Mr Carson of the Kaiparoro School is at present in the Wanganui Hospital

20th April 1918 Mr F. G. Carson, of .Kaiparoro, successfully underwent, an' operation at Wanganui on Monday His many friends will be pleased to learn that lie is making satisfactory 'progress

26th April 1918 School Committee The members of the recently-elected' Kaiparoro school committee are as follows:—A, Lawrence (chairman), A. Falkner (secretary), W. Henson, T. O Donnell and James McAnulty.

20th May 1918 Mr Carson has returned home much improved in health, but will not resume charge of his school for some little time yet

27th May 1918 Mr Carson resumed charge of the school to-day. Miss Winge, who has been relieving during his absence, left on Saturday. She goes to Pongaroa to relieve till the end of the year. On Friday afternoon the school children presented Miss Winge with a very nice autograph album as a mark of esteem.

21st June 1918 /In connection with the proposal to make a special rating area for the above bridge, 17 ratepayers out of 19 have signed a consent to be rated for the purpose. The Government Advances to Settlers Department has now notified its approval of a loan of £350. It is understood, that the work of erection will be commenced by the Public Works Department very shortly, according to the promise made a few months ago by the Minister.

12th September 1918 The school children, at the request of Mr GK R. Sykes, M.P., has made up a .nice assortment of ferns and native shrubs, to be used by the soldiers at the Crippled Soldiers' Hostel in Wellington in beautifying the grounds.

The attendance at the school is steadily increasing, the roll number now being 38.

11th October 1918 The school has been closed since Tuesday last, owing to an epidemic of influenza and a case of diphtheria. Practically every child attending the school is suffering from influenza, and, with so many sore throats about, when it was learned that one of the children had been attacked by diphtheria, it was deemed advisable, on medical advice, to close the school for a time. The district health officer fumigated the school on Wednesday Don Mac Donald, the eldest child of Mr and Mrs J. N. Mac Donald, of the cheese factory, was taken to the Masterton hospital on Tuesday, suffering from diphtheria. Yesterday morning his condition was very serious, and the little boy passed away last night. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents in their loss. The little lad was a smart one, and very popular with his schoolmates, who will miss him very much. Little Albert Hansen was taken to the hospital yesterday. In his case it was not definitely decided to be diphtheria, but his condition was such that it was considered best to take him there.

It is many years since Kaiparoro was visited by any trouble of this sort, and it is hoped that this visit will be Q, very short one.

12th October 1918 Master Don MacDonald, son of Mr and Mrs J. N. MacDonald, of Kaiparoro, died in the Masterton Hospital on Thursday night.

19th October 1918 he sad news lias been received that Private A. L. Brad dick, son of Mr J. Braddick, of Kaiparoro, was killed in action on September Deceased was held in high esteem on account of his many fine qualities. Deceased leaves a wife and child, who reside at Kaiparoro. The relatives will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement

4th November 1918 The news of Turkey's .surrender was received on Friday morning, and was celebrated by a half-holiday at the school. .Kaiparoro in other respects took things calmly. We are waiting .for Germany's surrender; then we will enthuse.

5th December 1918 The death is reported of the wife of Private A. C. Harvey (on active service), of Kaiparoro, at the age of 28 years. The deceased was the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. J. Knight, formerly of Eketahuna and Masterton.

29th March 1919 The friends of Mr and Mrs Allan Lawrence, of Kaiparoro, will regret to learn of the death of their son Eric Rasmus, at the early age of 7 ½ years..

5th April 1919 The Kaiparoro school has been temporarily closed pending the definite diagnosing of two cases of illness, states the Eketahuna paper.

14th April 1919 The annual picnic in connection with the Kaiparoro school will be held on Thursday next

20th May A Long Letter to the Dominion Wellington from Fred G Carson Eketahuna started with AULTY TELEPHONE SERVICE

Sir,—May I be permitted to comment on the letter from "3 Short" in your issue of May M with regard to trouble with the Eketahuna telephone exchange I am more anxious to do so because, my ring being 3 short, the letter is being' placed to my credit—or discredit; it all depends on the point of view. I agree with "3 Short" that there is great cause for complaint, and also that the trouble lies principally in lack of supervision, which, of course, naturally makes for slackness in the exchange. But the carelessness and discourtesy only occur at certain times of the 'day and with certain members of the staff.....

22nd July 1919 The district has been suffering very severely from colds for the past Week or two,' particularly among the children and the school attendance has suffered accordingly.

4th August 1919 The following have been elected members of the Wairarapa Automobile Association: —Mrs Wm. Bey (Greytown), Messrs F. G. Carson (Kaiparoro), A. E. Maunsell (Parkvale), and Miss Y. Jackson (Masterton)

19th August 1919 Mr Carson offered to become organising secretary of the Masterton Progressive League but the committee couldn't engage him

12th September 1919 The swing bridge has been put in order and is now quite a good one. It should almost last now until the new bridge is built.

30th December 1919 There will also be a change in teachers at the school, Mr Carson having been appointed to- the charge of the Bideford School. [Mr Carson was at Castlepoint School and not Bideford in 1921 He resigned from Bideford in April 1920 and was fulltime secretary of the Masterton Progressive League and a member of the Masterton Land, Estate, Commission and Insurance Agents society]

1920-1921

1921	25	Kaipororo	Johnson	Edith M	Sole	D	£320	\$27,549
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Edith M Johnson had a long teaching career in small schools of the Wellington Education Board

1899	2	Bush Gully	Johnson	Edith M		Female	£ 15.00
1900	16	Horokiwi	Johnson	Edith M	D4	Female	£ 54.00
1901	13	Horokiwi	Johnson	Edith M		Female	£ 50.00
1902	10	Horokiwi	Johnson	Edith M		Female	£ 72.00
1903	9	Horokiwi	Johnson	Edith M	E4	Female	£ 60.00
1904	14	Horokiwi	Johnson	Edith M	D4	Female	£ 72.00
1905	18	Tane	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 100.00
1906	16	Tane	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 110.00
1907	10	Tane	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 110.00
1908	15	Akatarawa	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 84.00
1909	16	Akatarawa	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 115.00
1910	21	Akatarawa	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 120.00
1911	18	Akatarawa	Johnson	Edith M	D3	Female	£ 130.00
1912	30	Akatarawa	Johnson	Edith M	D2	Female	£ 135.00
1913	18	Wallaceville	Johnson	Edith M	D2	Female	£ 140.00

1914	18	Wallaceville	Johnson	Edith M	D2	Female	£ 150.00
1915	17	Wallaceville	Johnson	Edith M	D2	Female	£ 150.00
1917	18	Wallaceville	Johnson	Edith M	D-79	Sole	£ 160.00
1919	33	Reikiorangi	Johnson	Edith M	D-74	Sole	£ 250.00
1921	25	Kaipororo	Johnson	Edith M	Sole	D	£ 320.00
1923	31	Kaipororo	Johnson	Edith M	Sole	D-142	£ 303.00

14th October 1920 The victim of the burning accident at Pirongia , Te Awamutu, on Friday last, was the wife of Mr Ivor Parsons, a son of Mr Thos. Parsons, of Eketahuna. The deceased, who was a Miss Esson, was well known in the Eketahuna district, and was formerly a school teacher at Kaiparoro. It appears that the deceased had been in indifferent health of late, having received a stroke some "five years ago, and had «been subject to slight fits ever since. Mr Parsons retired about 11 p.m., and, before doing so, made sure that the light was out in Mrs Parsons' room. About 2 a.m. he was awakened by the smell of fire, and on investigating he found that the room occupied by his wife was afire. Mrs Parsons, who was in the habit of getting n drink at about 2 o'clock, it is surmised, struck a match and then went off in a fit. She was found terribly burned about the face and neck, and only the frame work of the bed was left. The deceased remained unconscious for two days and died at 8 o'clock on Sunday. She was 49 years of age, and leaves two children, aged 11 years, to mourn their loss. Mr Parson also received burns about the feet and arms, which necessitated his removal to the Hamilton Hospital.

1922-1923

1923	31	Kaipororo	Johnson	Edith M	Sole	D-142	£303	\$27,849
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Post 1923

23rd April 1931 Miss F Strong Sole Teacher appointed

2nd May 1933 Mrs M A Moore Sole Teacher appointed

4th December 1939 Miss B Gallagher appointed

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Notes from jubilee Booklet 1948

First School Committee P Fauvel, A Falkner, Parsons, Peterson and Longhurst

1969 Michael Dennehy was Head Teacher

Mr R J McAnaulty Chairperson

No of classrooms 2 1969 Grading roll 24

Floor of laundry at residence is to be replaced

10th July 1900 Application for the establishment of a residence

Sitting room 13 x 12 2 bedrooms 13 x 12, 12 x 12, 1 living room 16.9 x 12. Kitchen. 14 x 8
Bathroom 6 x 8 and Pantry 6 x 2 foot 6

Outside Wash house and E C

Section 62 Block II Mangaone Area 3 acres 0 roods 13 perches

Fencing 1 chain (22 feet) picket 5 chains coil wire

Total £419 10/-

19th July 1909 In a letter to Secretary for Education was

- a) There is no place in this community where the two teachers can be accommodated
- b) They are at present living in sufferance in a household where there are 10 or 12 children and the settler is not by any means anxious that they should remain in his household
- c) The school is a two teacher one

Department note School built 1897 destroyed by fire and rebuilt in 1904

1908 Roll 39 House allowance paid £25

1st April 1910 Wellington Education Board approves house for £420

9th March 1912 Progress payment made to Wellington Education Board 11th July final payment made

19th February 1937 The School Committee has grounds bitumenised to make a tennis court
Department to Wellington Education Board asking whether the work is urgent and necessary

30th April The only flat ground was taken for road widening and the rest of the land is very wet the Wellington Education Board consider the work is necessary

3rd November The Department and Wellington Education Board were still discussing whether or not to carry on

March 30th Local MP involved and Now School Committee are writing to Prime Minister Peter Fraser who then asks the opinion of the Department

28th September 1938 Local MP and School Committee and Wellington Education Board and Department still talking to each other in copious notes

27th September Telegram from P Fraser that he has instructed Public Works to do the job and provide a playground on top of the hill

5th January 1939 The Public Works have completed the job the whole area was only 80 square yards and was less than planned for

24th April 1953 Web wants to put in a septic tank No mention of a previous one

School roll only 11

3rd June At a meeting of householders with the Local MP the residents did not want amalgamate with Eketahuna

27th November 1959 Wellington Education Board asks to renew school Roll is 17

The building is obsolete and structurally incapable of taking further additions or remodelling.

The roll has increased to 25

23rd March 1960

Presently

- a) Single classroom 22 foot x 20 foot plus porch erected 1897 of timber East orientated
- b) The floors are worn down to tongue and groove and uneven in placed

- c) The weather boards have been patched but are solid 'Painting inside and out carried out
- d) There is a proposal to amalgamate with Hastwell which has a roll of 10 situated about 3 miles East
- e) This would be preferable

1961 Roll 30 Headmaster Mr S C Hyndman

Not all notes read Approval for new building granted 15th November 1963

Kaiparoro Site 1934 -1974

31st July 1934 To Eketahuna County asking for the use of the unused portion of road reserve
25th September The council approves as long as the Main Highway Board Does. A report has not been replied to

28th September Council writes back that the road is to be closed

1st March 1935 Now the Kaiparoro Hall people want some of the land also and would they be prepared to share the cost of the survey?

Letter to Mr C Burton Secretary of the Hall Trustees

1st July 1935 Mr Reynolds surveyor agrees to survey the area

31st October The Chief surveyor says that all parties need to approach the Chief Surveyor saying it is all right

10th December 1936 After copious notes The proclamation has been declared

23rd February 1937 Now the School Committee need £40 to cover the improvements and to put bitumen down and make a tennis court. The job is to cost £40 plus labour

Up to November 1937 Further discussions between Education Board and Department over title of lands

2nd May 1956 Wellington Education Board and Crown lands are still discussing who owns what and when. Evidently The title as not exchanged

3rd July 1962 Titles issued to the Wellington Education Board

8th August 1968 The hall was demolished earlier in the year

24th November 1972 School to close at the end of 1972

8th October 1974 The site was sold