

Wharekaka School

19th November 1870 WHAREKAKA TOWNSHIP. THE Undersigned having purchased the land on tin Wharekaka Plain, belonging to the late G. Meredith, Esq., purposes forming a township thereon, adjoining the Waihenga Ferry. Applications for allotments of town acres and suburban sections can be made at Mr. Palmerson's Survey Office, Greytown (where plans will be on view) and to J. D. BAIRD, Otarua. October 8, 1870.

14th January 1874 NOTICE. EDUCATION BATES AND FEES. THE Collector of the above for the Featherston District will attend as under for the purpose of receiving the same Western Lake, at Mr. A. Matthews, 22nd January, 1874. White Rock, 29th January, 18/4. Turanganui, at Mir P. Hume's, 30th January, 1874. Kahautara, at Mr. Walker's house, 2nd February, 1874. Wharekaka, School House,

7th March 1874 Education Board funded £150 for school buildings at Wharekaka

16th May 1874 Resignation. —We understand that Mr. Scott, the late teacher of the Kaiwairua and Wharekaka schools, has resigned both appointments, not feeling himself equal to the carrying on of two schools so distant from each other. We are glad to learn that he is still under the Board, and that he has taken temporary charge of the East Taratahi School, vice Mr. Barry, removed to Wellington. We trust Mr. Scott will receive an appointment in one of the township schools, for which he is eminently qualified

16th May 1874 Wharekaka while in Standard II a larger percentage passed at the Kaiwairua School than at any other school in the Province, that at Kaitoke, on the West Coast, alone excepted. Taking the percentage of children that passed Standard II at the several public schools in the Wairarapa as our data, we find that the standard of education attained at the following schools was above the average; we give the percentage, omitting fractions: Kaiwairua, 26; Tauherenikau, 20; Greytown, 13; Wharekaka, 12; West Masterton, 12; Carterton, 10. The following schools are below the average Featherston ,,,,,,,,,,

7th December 1874 Plans, &c, for the Greytown, Foxton, Carterton, and Wharekaka schools, were received, and referred to a committee

29th June 1875 Mr. Partridge presented a petition from the settlers on the Wharekaka plain for a few plank bridges to enable the children to reach school dry-footed during the winter. Engineer was instructed to get the necessary planks down and foot bridges erected as soon as possible

18th September 1875 We are indebted to a correspondent at Wharekaka for the following . —
“ On Monday last, 13th, this usual quiet and steady township presented a scene of unwonted gaiety and festivity. This was the day fixed upon by the school committee to inaugurate the opening of the new school building, which the well known contractor Mr. Whybrow has just completed in a most workmanlike and creditable manner. The neighboring settlers united with hearty good will to celebrate the event, and preparations were made for a tea party and dance in the evening, in a manner which left nothing to insure success but fine weather and large appetites. The result idly justified their expectations, and at 3 30 p.m. the aspect of the schoolroom was most pleasing to the assembled children. Heaps of oranges and apples, piles of lollies and nuts, together with cakes and biscuits of all descriptions, made the room of tasks and tears look anything but a terror to the Small fry. Neither were the children of larger growth behindhand in showing their appreciation of the hospitality of the settlers. Each and all were welcome. That capricious officer, the Clerk of the weather, happened to be in an unusually good humor and the room was filled and filled again by the happy possessors

of eager appetites. Nearly three hundred guests sat down and dinner was, “ .Still they come.” After doing ample justice to the good things provided, the room was cleared and the votaries of Terpsichore proceeded to enjoy themselves with ardor, and literally dispelled the gloomy terrors of the night, as dancing was commenced at dusk and kept up with vigor till the first faint ray of early dawn warned ‘the good people all’ that even waltzing cannot last forever, and that the sober cares and duties of coming day demanded a cessation of the festivities. The room was slightly overcrowded, but the motto of the evening seemed to be, “ The more the merrier,” and the affair passed off without the slightest contretemps of any description. A tea meeting without a collection seemed to be so very null against established rule and precedent that the kind hearted visitors deposited a sum of money with a neighboring settler to purchase cricketing utensils and a football for the youngers, as a memento of their most thoroughly enjoyable holiday. During the day a number of sports were indulged in. Tables (*Food*) were given by the following ladies : Mrs Cameron, Mrs Hanlon, Mrs U. Harris, Mrs Partridge, and Mrs A: Smith.” .

8th February 1876 We have just received the appendix to the school Inspector’s report for the past year. We find the Greytown, East Masterton, and Carterton schools are stated to be good just that of Moroa, Tauherenikau, Kaiwairangi and Wharekaka fair; that of Featherston unsatisfactory ; that of Waingawa. and West Masterton moderate; and that of Taratahi very good.....

29th April 1880 Tenders for additions to the Waihenga School. Plans and specifications to be seen at the , Standard Office, Greytown, and at the School Waihenga..... for the purpose of considering the advisability or otherwise of stopping the road leading from Martin Square, Wharekaka, to the Huangarua river,

Waihenga School

18th May 1871 Part of a long article on funding of schools included At the Tauherenikau school, double the sum would not pay a teacher's salary ; and the same remark applies with still more force to the Kaiwairangi school, and also to the Moroa school. At the present, I believe, some of the settlers pay five times as much voluntarily as they will be required to pay under the proposed law, while, at the 'Moroa school, each child pays the maximum fee of one shilling per week, and each house in the district the maximum rate of £1, and yet when the Government grant is added the total fund is insufficient to pay a master's salary. It is for this reason that no school has yet been opened at Waihenga, and hence the Hon. Mr. Waterhouse suggested that instead of a house rate a rate on the annual value of all property in the district should be imposed.

28th September 1872 At Kaiwairangi there is a good school, but no teachers’ residence at present; and at Waihenga probably arrangements could be made for the temporary use of the new Church until the Board is in funds to enable it to erect the necessary buildings. Part of a long article

16th February 1874 It was resolved that the Board at once obtain estimates and go on with the school buildings at (Carterton, East Masterton, Featherston, Waihenga, Karori, East Taratahi, and Turakina, and that the Secretary advise the Provincial Secretary of the same.

9th January 1875 NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. TENDERS will be received at the Wairarapa Institute, addressed to Mr. William Smith, up to noon of Thursday, the 4th day of

February, for building a School House at Waihenga. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Wairarapa Institute Greytown

18th August 1877 TENDERS are required for the erection of a teacher's residence at Waihenga. Tenders to be forwarded to the undersigned on or before Monday, 20th August. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Institute, Greytown, or Mr. W. Smith's, Waihenga. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted

1878

1878 Waihenga Badland J Headmaster £150 \$22,428
30th April 1878 Inspector's Report included In the Waihenga school the reading and recitation were given carefully and with taste and expression ; the writing was beautifully neat, uniform in style, and shewed very careful teaching ; the arithmetic was remarkably accurate and very orderly in arrangement; tables were well known, the classes were intelligent, the* general knowledge was good, and the general neatness and order were admirable.

1879

1879 Waihenga Badland J Headmaster £160 \$24,848
20th March 1879 Mr **Badland**, the much-esteemed teacher, has been very ill, and compelled to desist from school duties for a fortnight. Much sympathy is felt for him, as he is much respected in the district. (O)wing to his ability as a first-class teacher and devoted energy the school of Waihenga ranks very high amongst the schools in Wellington Province. There was a failure in electing a school committee the first time appointed, and Monday last was set apart for that purpose, when Messrs Considine, "Harris, McLeod, Parish, and Tulloch were duly elected. On Tuesday evening the first meeting was held, when Mr Considine was appointed chairman in place of Mr Wm. Smith, who has resigned the chairmanship, after holding it six years! He has been compelled to take this step from failing health. This is very much regretted, as it is owing to Mr. Smith's zeal and devotion to matters of educational affairs that the school here is in such good condition. He was the means of getting it to be one of full time. He has during the time of his office spared no money nor time in promoting the interests of education in the district. The parents here and friends regret his resignation, and hope he may soon recover. The lovers of education tender him their hearty thanks.
22nd March 1879 The following school committee has been elected at Waihenga :—Messrs. Considine, (chairman), E. Harris, Parish, Pain, G. Harris, McLeod, and Tulloch.
3rd April 1879 Inspector Lee's report included WAIHENGGA SCHOOL, My report of this school last year was highly commendatory. The school fully maintains in all particulars its former good name. The work throughout indicates the greatest pains brought to bear on excellent methods. The reading was exceedingly accurate, and remarkably uniform in style and expression, The writing was excellent, and the dictation and arithmetic work appeared like so many lithographed copies. The reading was exceedingly accurate and sound, and the oral work very creditable, especially mental arithmetic, Mr Badland's services are of the highest value to the district, As an instance to show how incompetent to judge of children's progress parents are at times, I was informed that the only complaint ever made against the teacher of this school for presumed want of attention to duty, came from the parents of a boy, 18 years of age, who passed Standard IV. with maximum marks.

28th June 1879 On the application of the Greytown School Committee, the Education Board voted £22 for the erection of a chimney. A similar application made by the Waihenga School Committee was also granted

8th July 1879 J Badland's grading listed as E2

1880

1880 Waihenga Badland James Master £160 \$24,848

29th April 1880 Tenders for additions to the Waihenga School. Plans and specifications to be seen at the , Standard Office, Greytown, and at the School Waihenga. _ 1 The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders to be sent in on or before SATURDAY, 8th May, to J. McLEOD, _ t Chairman School Committee, Waihenga.

22nd December 1889 Mr Badland appointed Head teacher at Karori

1881

1881 28 Waihenga Badland James Master £160 \$25,848

26th January 1881 At Waihenga the following were elected :—Messrs John McLeod, Wm. Boyd, George Harris, Thomas- Evans, Edwin Harris, J. Green, and D. Oliver. School Committee

26th January 1881 A TEACHER is required for the Waihenga School. Salary, about .£150 ; average attendance, 26 ; residence provided. Applications must be sent in on or before MONDAY, the 31st instant. ROBERT LEE. 25th January, 1881

3rd February 1881 A meeting of tho members of .the Waihenga School Committee was held in the township on the evening of January 28th, for the pleasing purpose of presenting Mr James Badland, the master of the school, with a purse of sovereigns- Mr McLeod, ,jthe Chairman of-the Committee referred in gratifying terms to Mr Badland's long connection with the school (six years) and to the regret of the Committee in losing his services. As Mr .Badland has received a step in the way of promotion we must congratulate him upon both events. Wo hear Mr Badland has been a most painstaking master, and that tho Inspector and the parents of (lie children under his charge are well satisfied 'with the manner in which he has discharged his duties

22nd February 1881 Our correspondent from Waihenga writes: A special meeting of the School Committee was called to record their votes for the new members of the Education Board. There were present—Messrs Harris, Olliver, Evans, and McLeod (in the chair.) After a short discussion Messrs ;Bunny and Philips were elected. He adds there is no word of our new teacher yet. He further says Our new Presbyterian Minister (the Rev. J. Stewart) has taken up his residence among us, and preached his first sermon to a fair congregation on Sunday. He arrives with good colors from Napier and promises to get on well.. He has a fine clear delivery when preaching.

3rd March 1881 The school at Waihenga is to be reopened after being, closed for more than a month. Mr Badland, the late master, has returned for a month's service, until the new teacher from Tenui arrives, whose place Mr Badland will occupy.

1st December 1881 Wellington Education Board Mr Bunny made an application for increased accommodation in the Waihenga School, and submitted plans and specifications and a tender for ,£43, The matter was referred to the Building Committee for consideration and report

24th December 1881 Last Wednesday at Waihenga, the school children were to have had a trip to Masterton. but owing to the rough weather prevalent at the time, and since, the trip stands adjourned for the present

1882

1882 30 Waihenga Badland James Master £160 \$26,267

19th January 1882 Mr E. Harris, of Waihenga, in conjunction with several other settlers of that neighborhood, yesterday gave the children attending the Martinborough school a treat in the shape of a trip from Waihenga to the railway station at Featherston in various conveyances, and from thence to Masterton by rail. About forty children and several adults came up, and after spending a couple of hours in Masterton where they partook of dinner at Mr. Corbett's they returned to Featherston, having enjoyed the trip very much. This occurrence speaks highly for the public spirit and kindly feelings of the Lower Valley settlers. Messrs Neil and Cockery very kindly conveyed the party from and to the Masterton station free of charge

26th January 1882 Tenders for Painting, etc., ' at Waihenga School. Apply to the Master

28th January 1882 Our 'correspondent at Waihenga writes: -Previous to the election of the school committee, on Tuesday last, the balance sheet was read by the secretary, which showed a balance in hand of £3 3s Id. The receipts for the past year were small, and consequently the expenditure too. The outgoing committee have erected a new fence in front of the school, and procured the assistance of a sewing mistress one afternoon in the week. The Report reflected great credit upon the management, and spoke highly of the teacher, Mr. Badland, who has worked harmoniously with the committee right through, without a single complaint being made

14th March 1882 The cricket match played by the Featherston School boys against the combined team of Kaiwairua and Waihenga, on Saturday last, resulted in a victory for the Featherston boys in one innings, The return match is to be played in three weeks' time.

4th April 1882 The sewing mistress at the Waihenga school was voted a sum of £5.

27th June 1882 A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the Waihenga School room on Saturday, 1st July at 7 p.m., to consider the advisability of erecting a PUBLIC HALL and READING ROOM.

3rd October 1882 On Friday evening last an entertainment took place in the schoolhouse, Waihenga, in aid of the school funds. The series of entertainments given in aid of the library fund proved so successful that a few gentlemen determined to get up a final entertainment for the benefit of the School Committee. The weather proved unfavorable and fears were entertained that the affair would turn out a failure, However the room filled up remarkably well considering the state of the weather. The audience was enthusiastic and encores were frequent, Mr W. Martin, assisted by Mrs J. Martin, junr., presided most efficiently at the piano, and the evening concluded with a few- hours dancing. The following, was the programme:—Song, "Toll the Bell," Miss E. Harris; song, " The Skipper and his Boy," Mr. W. Martin song, "Sweet Chiming Bells," Mr Croot song, 'Ellen Bain," Mrs. Stewart; song, 'Watching for Pa," Miss J. Harris; comic song, "Jonathan, Joseph, &c," Mr Plato;- song, " Ever in My Dreams,"; Miss A. Harris; reading! "Mr Tupman and Miss, Warble," Mr Badlands song, "Stirrup Cup," Mr. J. Martin, junr, song, " Little Brown Jug,". Mr Croot; song, '!'-'Watching for Thee," Miss E Harris; song, No, Sir !" Mr W. Martin;, comic song, " McSorley's Twins," Mr Evans; song, " Wings," Mrs Stewart; song; " Birdie, I am Tired;"

Miss J. Harris; song, "True to the Last," Mr J. Martin, junr.; comic song, " Josephus Orange Blossom, ' . Mr Evans; duet, "Pulaski's Banner," Mrs Stewart and Mr W, Martin; song, " fling the Bell Softly," Miss A. Harris; comic song, "She's a brother in the Navy," Mr Plato; song, "Take me Home," Mr Croot. ,

1883

1883 33 Waihenga Badland James Master £160 \$27,368

26th January 1883 WAIHENGGA SCHOOL. A meeting of householders was held in the schoolhouse on Tuesday evening, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of electing a new school committee for the ensuing year. The following are the names of the new committee:— Mr E. R. Harris, Jas. McLeod, G. Harris, T, F, Evans, Rev J. Stewart, Oliver, and G. Croot. Mr E. R. Harris was elected chairman. A letter was read from Mr Newman, offering himself for re-election on the Board. The sum of £5 was voted to the Secretary for his valuable services for the past year, leaving a balance of £8 19s 9d for the new committee to start with.

Arrangements are in hand for a shed for the children to get under in wet weather, and it is to be hoped it will be ready before the coming winter.

31st January 1883 Wellington Education Board Waihenga additions and sheds, .£85 ;

2nd March 1883 The usual monthly school committee meeting was held in the schoolroom on Saturday night, when it was decided to send a subscription list round to raise additional funds for the annual prizes. In addition to the prizes the children are to have a picnic on Friday next, the 29th

16th March 1893 The picnic in connection with the school at Waihenga came off on Friday last and was much enjoyed by all. There was a large attendance of parents and others. At the monthly meeting of the Waihenga school committee on Saturday, the only business was a decision to clean out the well of the school, and to get the prizes for those children who had passed at the late examination.

19th March 1893 THE Wellington Board of Education invite tenders, until Tuesday, the 27th, for additions to the Waihenga School. Plans and specification at my office, and at the Standard Office, Greytown. THOS. TURNBULL, Architect to the Board. 15th March, 1883

28th March 1883 Tenders awarded to W Bentain (*Benton?*)

20th April 1883 Inspector Lee's Report included Mr Lee then says:--“ Two schools, Fernridge and Waihenga, which for several years past have produced good work, show a falling off this year. As (the teachers are competent, and I] believe industrious, it appears, at first j sight, difficult to account for this, and such cases are certainly exceptional; , but I think it arises in the former (echoed, from underestimating the work , required, and, in the latter, partly (from a preponderance of children of less than average ability, and partly , from the continued ill-health of the , teacher. The work in both schools was not bad in method, and the written , work of the Waihenga school was very ' neat, but the pupils had not sufficiently covered and traversed the ground. I observe, however, that there is some danger of successful teachers becoming over-confident of continued success, not only in country schools, but in one or two of the larger schools ; and J will take this opportunity of reminding such teachers that no amount of experience or knowledge will avail in -producing a return of good and improving work year by year, without the exercise of patient industry, combined with a careful study of the methods to be used, in order to meet •the advancing requirements of the times

18th June 1883 New church built at Martinborough included A resolution of thanks to the Waihenga School Committee for their kind permission to use the schoolhouse for bolding services in, was passed unanimously.

14th December 1883 The usual meeting of the Waihenga School Committee was held in the school room on Saturday, 8th instant. Present—Messrs J. McLeod, D. Oliver and T, P. Evans. The only business to be done was to pass an account for payment.

1884

1884	35	Waihenga	Badland	John	Master	£160	\$28,091
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1884	35	Waihenga	Harris	Elizabeth	Sewing	£5	\$878
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30th January 1884 MARTINBOROUGH SCHOOL. The following were elected Rev. J. Stewart, (chairman) Messrs McLeod, T. F, Evans, C. Harris, E. Harris, G. Harris, W. Boyd, W. Badland, Secretary and Treasurer

1st February 1884 Additions to the teacher's residence at Waihenga were asked for on account of the teacher having, since his appointment, become married and increased the population of the district. The matter was ordered to stand over till next meeting.

29th March 1884 Waihenga (School (Mr Badland, master),-Number on books, 35; percentage of passes, 89 Work methodical, and very . neat; Working condition of School very good, and leaching staff thoroughly competent

10th December 1884 On Wednesday last the children attending the Waihenga public school, together with their friends young and old, were entertained at a picnic in the grounds adjoining the manse of the Rev J. Stewart. After the young people had sated their desire for pleasure they were seated down to partake of a tea in every respect congenial to the juvenile mind. ” The dancing on the village green” then commenced and was carried on with great spirit to the music supplied by a talented young native, who performed on the time honored concertina. It was not confined to the young, as we noticed the rev. host wending through the intricacies of the lancers with an intelligent little native girl as partner. At the close the children assembled in front of the manse and hearty cheers were given to host and hostess on the call of Master Robert McLaren.

15th December 1884 The Waihenga School Committee met on Saturday night. Present—Kev J. Stewart (in the chair), Messrs J. McLeod, Badland, G. Harris and Boyd. The resignation of the Rev. J. Stewart as chairman and treasurer of the committee was read and accepted, and a vote o! thanks was accorded for his untiring interest both in the school and also for the valuable services be had rendered the district by establishing the library. Mr Harris was appointed chairman on the motion of Mr McLeod, seconded by Mr Boyd

1885

1884	35	Waihenga	Badland	John	Master	£160	\$28,091
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1884	35	Waihenga	Harris	Elizabeth	Sewing	£5	\$878
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28th January 1885 An application from the Waihenga Committee for the lease of an acre of land adjoining the school, as a playground, was referred back to the committee for further information Wellington Education Board

13th April 1885 Martinborough.

The animal pionio to the children attending the public school took place on Easter Monday. They all assembled at the school at 9 o'clock and were driven from there in conveyances kindly supplied by Mr Pain and Mr E. E. Harris, to the blue gums near the Dip Flat, where a

suitable course was measured out and a number of races were got off for the juveniles, for prizes of all sorts. The customary refreshments were provided by the parents and other visitors, and everyone appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves. The success of the gathering may be attributed in a great measure to Mr Badland and Sir G. Harris, owing to the energetic manner in which they arranged matters. In the evening there was a dance, when those who were fond of the amusement danced to the strains of music supplied by the local band. On Saturday evening last the school committee met. Present—Messrs G. Harris (in the chair), J. McLeod, John Hodge, E. R. Harris and W. Boyd. The chairman reported receipts in aid of school treat to be £4 2s 6d, being a trifle more than the expenditure for the same. It having been resolved last year to give prizes to the children for best attendance during the year, the committee decided to give a suitable prize in each standard. At the annual examination by Mr Lee, four of the pupils in Standards I and II were presented, all of whom passed; In Standard III eight were presented and seven passed; in Standard IV five were presented and four passed, and in Standard V there were three presented and two passed. This is 87½ per cent of those presented, and speaks well for the ability of Mr Badland as teacher. The average attendance during the last quarter was 42, which shows the teacher is now entitled to the assistance of a pupil teacher.

18th June 1885 TENDERS for Additions to the Waihenga Residence, will be received at this office up to TUESDAY, the 29th inst. Plans and Specifications at the office of the Wairarapa Standard, and at the Schoolhouse, Waihenga. THOS. TURNBULL. 979 6 Architect
26th August 1885 £6 was granted to the Waihenga Committee for offices (*Toilets*) etc

1886

1886 35 Waihenga Badland John Master £180 \$33,658

1886 35 Waihenga Harris Elizabeth Sewing £5 \$935

12th April 1886 Our Martinborough Correspondent sends us the following :—The school picnic was held on Friday and was one of the most successful ever held in connection with the school. Great credit is due to the ladies and gentlemen who carried out the programme. There was plenty of everything in the way of eatables and prizes, and it was quite a treat to see the little ones coming home with smiles on their faces and prizes in their hands. The dance in the evening was quite a success

28th May 1886 The **Waihenga** Committee applied for a grant for additions to the teacher's residence. It was decided that the architect should call for tenders, so as to enable the Board to ascertain what amount the proposed work will cost

9th June 1886 Plans of the proposed additions to the residence of the school teacher at Waihenga were laid before the Board of Education this morning. They were approved, and on the motion of Mr. Beetham it was decided to invite tenders for carrying them out

10th June 1886 At the special meeting of the Wellington Board of Education yesterday, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr G. Beetham, to make additions to the school residence at Waihenga at a cost of £90

1st July 1886 W Benton awarded contract

25th August 1886 The Board decided to authorise the sinking of a well in the Waihenga school-ground

29th September 1886 An application by the Waihenga Committee for a vote for putting up a mantelpiece and doing some paperhanging, was declined, owing to the want of funds.

1887

1887	45	Waihenga	Badland	James	Master	£180	\$35,273
1887	45	Waihenga	Harris	Elizabeth	Sewing	£5	\$980

19th January 1887 The Martinborough School Committee met on Monday night, when it was resolved to nominate Messrs H. Bunny and W. C. Buchanan, M.H R, as members of the Board of Education' It was also decided to alter the date of the children s treat from the 22nd instant till the 4th of February. Some handsome prizes have been purchased for the successful scholars, and they will be distributed at the picnic. There will also be some good prizes for the successful competitors in the various games, and some cricketing utensils have been procured for the School Cricket Club. The day's sports and treat will be held at Mr J. Martin, junior's, place at Huangaroa, and the young people and their friends is in the district arc anticipating a most enjoyable event on the day appointed.

28th January 1887 An application from the Waihenga Committee for the lease of an acre of land adjoining the school, as a playground, was referred back to the committee for further information. Wellington Education Board

4th April 1887 Waihenga. — Presented, 53; failed, 4; passed, 24 percentage of passes, 45 ; percentage of failures, 14. Very good work for a small school, Results very satisfactory

27th April 1887 The Board decided to obtain an estimate of the coat of erecting a shelter-shed at Waihenga.

29th April the residents of Martinborough failed to elect a School Committee last night

25th May 1887 A grant of £5 was made to the Waihenga Committee for the erection of a shelter shed.

1st June 1887 A meeting of householders was held in the schoolroom, Martinborough, ou Monday night last, when the following school committee wore elected : —Messrs G. Harris (chairman), Mackay, T. F. Evans, J. Green, J. Hodge, J. McLeod and W. Boyd. A vote of thanks was passed to the last year's chairman (Mr G. Harris), who was unanimously elected again. Mr Harris has taken a great interest iu the school for the last few years, and has done much to make things run smooth and pleasant for the children, hacked up well by the able schoolmaster (Mr Badland). It was decided to erect a shelter-shed for the children, to be ready by the end of the coming holidays. The committee will get up a soiree to make up the amount required, in addition to the amount (£6) allowed by the Board

1888

1888	50	Waihenga	Badland	John	Master	£175	\$34,293
1888	50	Waihenga	Harris	Elizabeth	Sewing	£5	\$980

27th April 1888 Waihenga.— Messrs. W. Boyd (chairman), T. F. Evans, H, C. Dowman James McLeod, G. Harris, J. H. Andrew, and A. Douglas. School Committee

31st October 1888 Tenders were ordered to be called for the provision of increased accommodation at Waihenga, the work to be done in the Christmas holidays

21st December 1888 Tender let Waihenga, W. Benton, £201

1889

1889	59	Waihenga	Badland	James	Master	£195	\$35,453
1889	59	Waihenga	Wilson	Hugh A	Male Pupil Teacher	£35	\$6,363
1889	59	Waihenga	Harris	Elizabeth	Sewing	£5	\$909

14th February 1889 The next useful public building is the largo and commodious addition to the School, the former one being inadequate for the number of scholars attending. The present addition is a building 22 feet wide by 30 feet long, lofty, and well ventilated; the internal fittings are as complete as most of the Board's schools' are, In addition to this there is an infant class-room. There will be two fireplaces, and the whole of the' old building is to be covered with iron, being present covered' with that combustible material, shingles. When finished, it will be a credit to the district, and should amply 'supply the wants of the Martinborough residents for the next five years at least

27th March 1889 The Education Board propose to spend the following amounts in buildings during the year ending 31st December next : — Works now under contract—; Waihenga, £201

29th May Waihenga School Committee not elected and The elections of the Dreyerton, Waihenga, Paekakariki, and Kaitara School Committees were ordered to take place on the 19th Juno

31st July 1889 The question of making a grant to the Carterton Committee for the erection of a washhouse and the purchase of a stove, was deferred, as was also the question of repairing the Waihenga School and purchasing a tank. In the case of Waihenga the Secretary was instructed to ascertain whether the flow of water into the well was pure

28th August 1889 It was resolved that a tank and fireguards should be provided for Waihenga schoolhouse

5th October 1889 First Grade Art Examination .— William. D. Miller First Grade Scale drawing

First Grade Drawing Waihenga —Charles Badland, Barford. Badland, Mary. McDonald, John. McLeod, William. D. Miller, Mathilda. Orr.

1890

1890	60	Waihenga	Wardlaw	Thomas D	Headmaster	£195	\$36,787
1890	60	Waihenga	Ames	Ada	Female Pupil Teacher	£20	\$3,773

Thomas Drysdale Wardlaw

Thomas Drysdale Wardlaw was born in Cardross Scotland in 1856 to John Wardlaw and Margaret nee Drysdale. His father was a blacksmith, although he claimed him a Veterinary Surgeon on his marriage certificate. He began his teaching career in Cardross before going to Tipperary in Ireland.

Here he described himself as a Missionary Teacher, this was a very Catholic part of Ireland and it's likely he was there to attempt to convert them. It was here he married, in 1883, Harriette Elizabeth McCuaig, daughter of a Land Agent, Peter McCuaig. They would have 3 (probably) children together but Thomas does not appear to have been a very attentive husband.

On the birth of their first son his residence is described as England. By 1889 the family appear to be in Africa, Thomas may have taken a Missionary posting here. The third child is born either here or in Tipperary in 1889 but Harriette doesn't register the birth until 8 years later, describing her husband's place of residence as "Africa".

Thomas doesn't stick around for long after this as by 1890 he is in New Zealand, without his wife and children. He is living with one Mary Pender, a Scottish labourers daughter, (where he met her is uncertain).

His real wife and children return to Scotland, never to see Thomas again. Thomas takes his first appointment at Eketahuna School as a temporary assistant before filling in at Mangatainoka School. He is offered a job at Tinui but instead takes the permanent role at Waihenga, later called Martinborough, School.

He lasts a couple of years here before transferring to Dreyerton. He taught here until 1898 when allegations were made against him by several teenage pupils and his female pupil teacher of unwanted sexual advances being made towards them by Wardlaw.

He was told to resign and that he was blacklisted from appointments in the Wellington Education Board. However the affair was kept out of the papers.

He set sail for Western Australia with Mary and his 2 daughters by her, taking a job on arrival at Highgate State School. By 1901 he is first assistant at Plympton, taking further roles at Lennonville and Malcom Schools. By 1912 he is at Menzies and then finally, in 1914, he takes charge at Ravensthorpe. This wasn't to be a long appointment however as he died in Perth that year, aged 58. His "wife" Mary outlived him by 30 years, whilst his two daughters by her, Caroline and Mary, died unmarried. He was also survived by his real wife.

Research by Grandson Sam

11th February 1890

3rd May 1890 Since Mr. F. Bennett, late of Nowtown, took ocharge of the Eketahuna school, tho attendance of scholars has almost doubled itself. An addition to the staff has, therefore, become necessary, and Mr. **Wardlaw**, an experienced teacher from England, leaves by this afternoon's Wairarapa train to temporarily fill the position

28th May 1890 Resignations were accepted as follows :— Mrs. Salt, teacher at Opaki; Mrs. Tom, sewing mistress at Dalefield ; and Mr. Henry Wilson, assistant at Waihenga.

29th May 1890 One or two changes are about to be mode in the teaching staff of some of the Board's schools. In consequence of the death of Mr. Badland. master of tho Waihenga school, the Rev. H. E. Tuckey, supernumerary teacher at present at the Mangatainoko school, is to take charge at Waihenga from Monday. Miss Bannister, at present attached to the Mount Cook Girls' Sohool, is to be transferred to the permanent staff of the Mangatainoko sohool, holding the position of assistant teacher

28th May 1890 We learn with regret that Mr. James **Badland**, master of the Maryborough School, breathed hia last yesterday morning, falling a victim to a complication of lung complaints. Dr. Graca had gone up to attend him on the previous evening, but was too late to be of service. Mr. Badland s life was insured in the Government office for £200

30th May 1890 consequence of tho death of Mr Badland, headmaster of the Waihenga School Mr Tuckey, supernumery teacher at present in charge of Mangatainoko School, will take the vacancy, Mr Bannisters', at present at the Mount Cook Boy's School, taking his place at the Mangatainoko .School

Teacher was Miss May Bannister

2nd June 1890 The Secretary of the Hoard of Education wrote enclosing for inspection a D certificate division 8, belonging to Mr _T, Drysdale Wardlaw, also testimonials in bia fayor, and stating that Mr Wardlaw Tj?is willing to accept ohsrge of the tenui school. Sir Turkington wrote enclosing his resignation and asking to be relieved at the end of July; also asking.the Committee to decide about the duraation of the mid-winter holidays, The

following resolutions Yfero passed That the Board be informed tot this Committee is agyeeate that oopted, that the raid-winter holidays comment on July 1st, and terminate on July 81st, and that Mr 'lurkington be relieved on July 81st.' That the Board bo recommended (o ip : . point Mr Wardlaw to tho vacancy

3rd June 1890 It is with regret that I bavo to write 'that Mr. Badland, who had hold the poaitian of hoad master of tho Mortirtborough school for tho last 1C yearn, died this week, regretted by all who knew him. Ho was a man who did good in aii unobtruaiw manner, and his loss will bo sovoroly lelt in the Martinliovough district. Mr. Badland had boon lather poorly for some timfj back ; nothing serious was imagined, but on Tuesday he rapidly sank. It appear?, to bo tho general opinion that the strain of tho lato suhool examination was too much for him. A large number of frionds from all parts of the Valley attended his funeral, whiuh was conducted by the Roy. Mr. Wyatt. It was decided at a meeting presided over by Mb. John Martin, jun.. that a3 a. mark of appreciation of the deceased gentleman's services and sympathy with tho bereaved family, that a subscription list bo opened, and the proceeds invested. I understand the appeal is being very liberally responded to.

26th June 1890 Mr Young moved the following resolution, which was ordered to .bo insetted on the records of the Board: " The Board ia deeply sensible of the loss which the service "has sustained by the death of Mr. Badland, for many years master of the Waihenga school. He was one of ; the first teachers appointed ~by the Board, and one of the very, best appointments ever made. He had always been a cheerful; conscientious and thoroughly efficient teacher, and he leaves behind him an unbroken record of successful work. - Had his health permitted, he would long ago have held a rooie important post

4th July 1890 The committee of the Waihentja Bcbool has continued the appointment ot Mr T, Drysdale Wardlaw as head master of tho school, aud Mr Wardlaw will enter upon his duties at the close of the midwiuter holiday, Mr Wardlaw is at prejeut assistant at Mangatainoko and his pusitiuu will bo taken by Miss Bait, of the Olydo Quay school, The Bev, H. IS. Tuckey, who is at present iu charge of the Waibengatiolwol, takes, temporary charge of the Opaki Bohool,

4th July Mr Wardlaw was stll at Eketahuna playing th piano at a concert

23rd July 1890 . A concert is to be hold at Martinborough on August 1st, in aid of the family of the late Mr Badland.

12th August 1890 A concert was held at Martin, borough on Friday evening last in aid of the wife and ohildren of the' late Mr Badland. Owing to it not being a moonlight night many persona were hindered from attending) but notwithstanding all the seats wero Ml, The programme | wis - well arranged and was carried through most succossfully as follows.: OverT tiireipidno duoli-by Mrand Mrs W, Martin, deoide'diy 'mnsicaT 'aria' we'll meriting the applause it received! Song, Mr Taylor, well received. Song, "Caller Herrin," Miss Orr; this young'lady'is quite a favorite,' and tlio'enobre Bb'd' received' waß; Wol flesei'vbd'. S6ng, ['»%s(o/| i Ives," Kev W. Wyatt; theuiamiion i opinion was that he is the sort of parson we want; in response to an enthusiastic encore he replied that he had rendered the only song k knew. Miss Wooley sang sweetly" Apart," and narrowly escaped an en'oore; comic song?, Mr' Duff,' Ifl ooldpit lilte li}B.s6n^B," , ' , , r took it,* a\$ '{JI went with hini,' 'wtoo amply irresistible; Mrs Hume' sang' with great effect "The Mouriebank;" song "The Pour Jolly Smiths," by the local teacher, Mr Wadlaw, brought him a good round of applause; song, Mie/J3. Gallagher,'thiß young lady sang 've?y w'oejly, "m rather nervous. 'Tduet'hy M6ssrs' : J# arid W. "Mai'tjn' was "efieotivelyT The'second partbnhe' progpnie m<piijd selection of popular National 'airs, "The Viking's Song," by Mr Blaok, I was. encored, and he responded with,"l iZ 110 F??" ; ; The Song that reached my heart," by MisHmes, reached alqo tty(heart

of the audience for it a 'Wjv round if applause.' • A by Mr Taylor was vended with food taste and effect. The trio from 'Iolanthe,' b, the Merlin JitWi was a musical treat, and w enthusiastically en Scored, Mr Speakman is Martiiibor, ough's comic singer, and he worked diligently to make the concert t Success before and by on gagging musical talent etc. He made an appeal this evening to the audience Jjutitwas not for a collection. It conveyed in the words of his song, " Could you lend my mother t Saucopaa? If «the boys" had had a saucepan on Mr Speakman would have had the lot thrown to him; but as it was they gave him on uproarious encore, to which he responded ■ with "I did it." The Boy Milburn gave a capital reading which was very humorous and enjoyable. The programme was a close by conditions by Miss Woolley and Mrs Hume. The dance after the concert was well attended, the music being supplied by amateurs, and Mr Boss acting as MC, Refreshments were supplied by the lady residents. The honor of being belle of the evening I would place as follows; although I know I run the risk of depriving the barber of his fare:- Miss Ames, Miss Croote. The chairman, after the concert, thanked the promoters in a few appropriate words, The concert was a pronounced success, and fully £20 must have been taken at the door. The committee who planned and carried out the affair are deserving of great praise. Refreshments were provided, by the joint Morality of Mrs. G. Pain, Mrs Coot, Mrs George Harris and Mr Spenkin

18th November 1890 There is likely to be another , improvement to our already rising township, in the shape of a nice- , dwelling house for Mrs Badland, will probably be ready for occupation in about two months time,

22nd December 1890 This Day. The Town Hall, Martinborough, was crowded on Friday night, when the school children gave a musical demonstration. The enthusiasm of the audience was great at the excellent way in which the children acquitted themselves in singing, reciting, and drill exercises. Mr. Wardlaw, the school teacher, received quite an ovation

1891

1891	61	Waihenga	Wardlaw	Thomas D	Headmaster	£175	\$32,723
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1891	61	Waihenga	Robertson	Donald	Male Pupil Teacher	£25	\$4,675
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6th February 1891 Pupil Teacher Examinations First Year.— Ada Ames, Waihenga; *In 1891 taught at Mount Cook School in Wellington for one year*

26th August 1891 The transfer of Miss Ada Ames, from Waihenga, was left in the hands of the Chairman to deal with

13th May 1891 A Literacy and Debating Society has been formed at Martinborough, and the following officers elected:—President, Mr T. D. Wardlaw; Vice President, Rey J. Lyburn; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr Bowden; Committee, Messrs Boyd, G. Pain, Considine, and Nicholson

26th August 1891 At the Education Board meeting to-day the application of Miss Ames, to be removed from Waihenga, and the appointment of D. Robertson to Waihenga was left in the hands of the Chairman *Donald Robertson only taught the one year for the Wellington Education Board*

1st October 1891 The Waihenga Committee asked that a new floor be laid in the schoolhouse, and other improvements effected. The matter was held over.

14th November 1891 Drawing examinations Geometry : Waihenga B B Badland, Minnie Greenaway, Christina McKay, Jessie Mc Donald, A Parish, G E Loughton
Scale Drawing B Badland, Daisy Badland, Minnie Greenaway

19th November 1891 At a concert in Morrison's Bush included. To Mr Wardlaw, the teacher of the tonic sol fa class, there was also an agreeable surprise, as four of his pupils, although

they had only two months teaching, acquitted themselves most creditably in Their names were Misses' Lydia Wakelin and Leach, und Master Claud Wakelin and Leach. The programme, was a lengthy one

10th December 1891. There were 2 candidates from Waihenga School to be held at Masterton for proficiency examinations

1892

1892 67 Waihenga Wardlaw Thomas D Headmaster £205 \$38,025

1892 67 Waihenga Riley Eveline Assistant Female £70 \$12,984

11th February 1892 Donald Robinson graded as First Year pupil teacher after examinations. *It does not appear that Donald kept on teaching*

24th February 1892 The request for tho appointment of an assistant to the Waihenga School was left in the hands of the Chairman to deal with

8th March 1892 Assistant, Waihenga School, Salary, £60

9th March 1892 W ANTED, good General Servant for family of two. Apply, stating ~ qualifications and terms, to W., Evening Post office, or to the Teacher, Waihenga

6th April 1892 Miss Riley appointed assistant at Waihenga

27th October 1892 Geometry Drawing Examination Results Waihenga— J. Boyd (excellent), W. Croot (excellent), M. Croot (good), M. Evans (excellent), E. and D. Green, M. and F. McLeod, R. McLeod (excellent).

14th December 1892 An application was received for repairs and fencing at Waihenga, estimated to cost .£40 9s, also for another acre of land for school ground purposes. The Chairman was authorised to negotiate for the purchase of the land, and the matter of the repairs &c, was hold over until the Chairman's report is received.

1893

1893 46 Waihenga Wardlaw Thomas D Headmaster £195 \$35,328

1893 46 Waihenga Jordan Fanny Assistant Female £70 \$12,682

16th March 1893 The recent floods and damage to roads in the Wairarapa hayo necessitated alterations in the dates fixed by Mr Leo for the examination of certain of tho schools. in the case of the Waingawa, Te Whiti, Gladstone, Park Vale, Waihakeke, and Kaitawa schools, the dates have been altered to a week later origin. ally fixed. The Kaiwaiwai and **Waihenga** schools will be visited a fortnight later than at first agreed upon,

16th March 1893 QUEENSLAND RELIEF.

His Worship the Mayor of Greytown (F. H, Wood, Esq.) has received a cheque for £3 15 shillings from the headmaster, subscribed by the Martinborough Public School pupils and staff towards the relief of the Queensland sufferers. This is a very substantial amount for so small a school, and it reflects great credit on the subscribers.

27th April 1893 Waihenga. — Messrs. George Croot (Chairman), W. H. Speakman (Secretary), Jas. McLeod, Geo. Harris, Jas. Jackson, Wm. Boyd, Rev. J. Lymburn.

16th May 1893 Assistant Waihenga School ; salary, £70 Applications must be made on forms, to be obtained here. A. DORSET, Secretary.

31st May 1893 Eveline Riley resigned Wellington Education Board

2nd September 1893 Mr Wardlaw admitted as a member of Wellington NZEI

1894

1894	59	Waihenga	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£215	\$38,741
1894	59	Waihenga	Fellingham	Marjory	Female Pupil Teacher	£32	\$5,766

31st January 1894 No action was taken with reference to the transfer of the teacher at Waihenga.

28th February 1894 In regard to a difficulty which has occurred between the tesoher and the Committee at Waihenga, a committee consisting of Messrs. Fitzherbert, Fraser, and the Chairman was appointed to visit the district, make a full enquiry into the matter, and report to the Board

1st March 1894 Tho Committee appointed by tho Education Road to hold an enqnrly into a difference which has arispn between the Waihenia (Martinboron?h) School Committee and tno . head-te-icber of the school, has arranged to leave for **Waihenga** on Monday next, and to | hold tho enquiry in the Bohrolhouse at 7 o'clock the same evening. As soon as the [members of the Board return, arrangements I will be n.ade for a visit to Ohau in regard to the school site at that place.

25th April 1894 A letter was read from the PfhUtua Committee urging the removal of Mr. **C. W. Lee**, headmaster, on the ground of alleged friction. between him and his subordinates. On the motion of Mr. M'Cardle, seconded by Mr. Buchanan, it -was decided that the Chairman, Messrs. Fraser, Bradey, and the mover should hold an enquiry at Pahiatua

25th April 1894 Mr F Jordan resigns

Miss Lucy Colwell was appointed pupil teacher at Hawera (*Hamua south of Pahiatua*), and Miss Alice Cook pupil teacher at Wadestown. A similar appointment at **Waihenga** was conferred upon Miss M. A. Fellingham

25th April 1895 Waihenga.— Messrs. W. Boyd (Chairman), G. Croot, W. H. Speakman (Secretary), J. McLeod, J. J. Jackson, W. Bloomfield, and J. McLeod Ross

3rd May 1894 A vote of thanks was passed to Miss **Fellingham**, who hud been transferred to Martinborough, for her past services to tho school, which abe gave gratuitously, Featherston School Committee

7th June 1894 . -The residence of Mr Wardlow (*Sic*) the head master of the Waihenga School was burned down this morning shortly after three, The origin of the fire is unknown. • I hear that there was hardly time to save anything beyond a few clothes,

Later, (By Telegraph.—Own Correspondent.) The Martinborough schoolmaster's residence was burned down this morning. The insurance on ; .the [house is unknown, There was a general policy on furniture, buggies, etc., in the Liverpool/ London, and Globe office for £400

27th June 1894 Mr. Wardlaw was transferred from Waihenga to Mauriceville East. As the schoolhouse had been burned down and the master was obliged to live in an hotel, he asked that the usual house allowance of .£30 should be increased. The Board decided that it could not grant the request. The Board decided to apply to the Government to erect a schoolhouse at Waihenga to replace the one burned down. (*Actually went to Dreyerton school , wwhich was later renamed Kopuaranga*)

29th August 1894 Ihe appointment of Mr. D. **Wardlaw** as teacher at the Droyerton Sohool was approved

20th September 1894 LATEST PAHIATUA NEWS.

(By Telegraph.-Own Correspondent.) Pahiatua, Thursday. Last night Mr W. C. Lee, who is leaving here to take charge of Waihenga School, was entertained at a social by the members

of the Anglican Church, for which body Mr Lee has been an active worker. The itev, Mv Davis and several members of the congregation delivered valedictory speeches, expressing regret at Mr Lee's departure. The gathering was largely attended. Yesterday afternoon a presentation was made to Mrs Lee, by a number of lady friends

22nd September 1894 Mr. Lee, head teacher at the Pahiatua Sohool, has been transferred to Waihenga. Mr. Thomas, of the Mount Cook School/ replaces him at Pahiatua.

18th October 1894 . SEPARATE Tenders for the Erection of a Teacher's Residence at Waihenga, and for Additions to the Ohau School, will be I .received at the Education Board Office up to Tuesday, the 30th inst. Plans for Waihenga residence to be seen at the Schoolhouses at Waihenga and Greytown

31st October 1894 Wellington Education Board allowed at Hastwell, Hawera, and Waihenga, £350 each Tenders accepted for Waihenga

3rd November 1894 Mr Wardlaw took part in the proceedings by reading pari of the descriptive lecture, and leading the singing

1895

1895	60	Waihenga	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£195	\$35,328
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1895	60	Waihenga	Fellingham	Marjory	Female Pupil Teacher	£32	\$5,797
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1895	60	Waihenga	Badland	Daisy	Female Pupil Teacher	£20	\$3,623
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13th February 1895 Margery Fellingham passed her first year Pupil Teacher examination

29th May 1895 Misses Daisy Badland and Nora Cowles c were appointed pupil teachers at Waihenga and Mangatainoka respectively.

26th June 1895 The Waihenga Committee was authorised to erect a shelter shed and obtain some gravel, and it was also decided that the Board's carpenter should attend to the desks

11th December 1895 Miss Fellingham, Waihenga, asked for a refund of the expenses incurred by her in attending examinations at Masterton The Chairman said he thought the time had arrived when the Board should make a stand with reference to the payment of expenses to teachers. It was decided that only pupil and uncertificated teachers should receive a refund of travelling expenses in connection with Saturday classes ; that Miss Fellingham's account should bo paid ; and that city teachers should be required to pay their own tram fares

Daisy (Mary Jane) Badland

Daisy is generally a nickname for Margaret by in this case it appears it's for Mary Jane Bertha, James's only daughter. She works as a nurse at Greytown after leaving teaching and it was whilst here she met Francis Whitworth, a young man fresh out from England. He enlisted to fight in the Boer War, giving his address as Greytown Hospital and his NOK as Daisy Badland, his "friend". The two married, in Middleborough, Massachusetts in 1905, Francis seemingly sending for her. The couple settled in the US, initially operating a Poultry Farm in Marion, before Francis became an Insurance Superintendent. The couple had three children, Amy, William Badland and James Alfred, all of whom stayed in Massachusetts.

Research by Grandson Sam

1896

1896	64	Waihenga	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£195	\$35,137
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1896	64	Waihenga	Badland	Mary Jane	Female Pupil Teacher	£22	\$3,973
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1896	64	Waihenga	Kennedy	Mary	Female Pupil Teacher	£20	\$3,604
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In 1895 Marjorie Fellingham taught at Kaiwaiwai.

4th July 1896 Miss Fellingham came to Featherston School from Waihenga

29th July 1896 The question of appointing a pupil teacher at Waihenga was deferred

26th August 1896 Miss M Kennedy appointed pupil teacher

1897

1897	75	Waihenga	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£195	\$34,786
1897	75	Waihenga	Badland	Mary Jane	Female Pupil Teacher	£32	\$5,708
1897	75	Waihenga	Kennedy	Mary	Female Pupil Teacher	£32	\$5,708

23rd February 1897 MaryJane Badland and Mary Kennedy passed 3rd year pupil teacher examinations

1898

1898	78	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$35,117
1898	78	Martinborough	Kennedy	Mary	Assistant Female	£80	\$13,704
1898	78	Martinborough	Badland	Mary Jane	Female Pupil Teacher	£32	\$5,482

18th April 1898 Waihenga School to be inspected by Inspector Lee on the 27th and 28th

26th October 1898 A short discussion took place in the Education Board this afternoon arising out of the request of a Wairarapa - School Committee to change its name from " Waihenga" to the • better - known " Martinborough." Mr. Buchanan moved that the request be granted, as the name Waihenga had almost entirely gone out of use. Messrs. Hogg and Young moved as an amendment, that the native name be retained. Mr. Robertson said he understood that the name meant "a ferry," and where a locality was identified in a name that name should be retained. The Chairman said the Board's policy had always been to retain the Maori name, but it was against usefulness to retain the name in this case. The amendment was lost by five to three, and the resolution agreed to.

10th November Wellington Education Board advertising Assistant Teacher, Waihenga School; salary, .£80. Forms for applications may be obtained at this office. A. DORSET, Secretary.

1st December 1898 Miss Kennedy was promoted from pupil teacher to second assistant at Martinborough

1899

1899	72	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$36,375
1899	72	Martinborough	Kennedy	Mary	Assistant Female	£80	\$14,195
1899	72	Martinborough	Badland	Mary Jane	Female Pupil Teacher	£36	\$6,388

29th June 1899 that additional school accommodation be provided at Waihenga and Shannon

1900

1900	82	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$35,641
1900	82	Martinborough	Kennedy	Mary	Assistant Female	£80	\$13,909
1900	82	Martinborough	Manning	Catherine	Female Pupil Teacher	£25	\$4,347

22nd May 1900 21st Moy. To-day Martinborough was en fete to celebrate the relief of Mafeking. All the business places were closed, and the school children were granted a holiday. In the afternoon the school children were formed into a procession, and with innumerable flags and banners waving were inarched to the Square, where they were joined

by a large number of residents. Patriotic songs were sung and speeches suitable to the occasion were delivered by the Rev. D. Martin and Mr. A. O. Considine. The most important feature of the proceedings was the presentation of a banner to the children of Martinborough. The banner is a beautiful work of art, and reflects great credit on the donors. Mrs. W. J. Martin, in a very neat speech made the presentation on behalf of the ladies of Martinborough. Cheers were given for Her Majesty the Queen, Col. Baden-Powell, Lord Roberts, Miss Martin, and others.

23rd May 1900 Monday. Martinborough was en fete to-day to celebrate the relief of Mafeking. All the Business places were closed, and the school children were granted a holiday, In the afternoon a large procession was formed, comprising the school children, under the care of Mr C. H. Lee and Misses Kennedy and Badland, and a large number of residents in buggies, traps, and on horseback, bicycles and on foot. On reaching the Square, the proceedings opened by the whole assembly singing "God Save the Queen.".....

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28th June 1900 The resignations of Miss Mary Hannay and Miss Daisy Badland, pupil teachers at Clyde-quay and Martinborough respectively, were accepted.

26th July 1900 Mr Lee's salary is £10 over scale in new wage scale

30th August 1900 The schools at Kaiwairi and Martinborough were granted pupil teachers, Miss McFarlane being appointed to the first-named school, and Miss Manning to Martinborough. *Catherine Manning came from Tinui School*

1901

1901	76	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$34,608
1901	76	Martinborough	Kennedy	Mary	Assistant Female	£85	\$14,350
1901	76	Martinborough	Manning	Catherine	Female Pupil Teacher	£40	\$6,753

1902

1902	75	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$33,798
1902	75	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Assistant Female	£85	\$14,022

5th March 1902 On Miss C. A. Manning severing her connection with the Martinborough **school**, the teachers and children assembled in the school-room, to present her with a token of their esteem and good will. The present, which took the form of a watch and chain, was presented by the Rev. Martin (Chairman of the **School** Committee). The watch bears the following inscription:—" Presented to Catherine Manning by the teachers and pupils of the Martinborough school, February 28th, 1902." Cheers were given by the pupils for Miss Manning, the teachers, and also for the Rev. Mr Martin, after which the gathering dispersed *Catherine Manning went to Mt Cook School in Wellington*

31st July 1902 Leave of absence was granted to Miss Mary Kennedy, mistress of the Martinborough School.

1903

1903	91	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£205	\$33,966
1903	91	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Mistress	£95	\$15,741

28th May 1903 the meeting of the Education Board on Wednesday, a request for expenditure at the Martinborough School was referred to the Chairman with power to act. Also a similar application from Cross' Creek

1897	564	Petone	Atkinson	Esther	Female Pupil Teacher	£	20.00
1898	557	Petone	Atkinson	Esther	Female Pupil Teacher	£	25.00
1899	645	Petone	Atkinson	Esther	Female Pupil Teacher	£	32.00
1900	456	Mount Cook Girls'	Atkinson	Esther	Female Pupil Teacher	£	36.00
1901	462	Mount Cook Girls'	Atkinson	Esther	Female Pupil Teacher	£	50.00
1902	75	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Assistant Female	£	85.05
1903	91	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Mistress	£	95.00
1904	92	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Mistress	£	100.00
1905	370	Mount Cook Girls'	Atkinson	Esther	D4 Assistant Female	£	80.00

1904

1904	92	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	Headmaster	£215	\$35,602
1904	92	Martinborough	Atkinson	Esther	Mistress	£100	\$16,559
1904	92	Martinborough	Freeman	Jessie A	Female Pupil Teacher 2	£40	\$6,624

29th January 1904 The following candidates have qualified for the National Scholarships, the marks awarded each being appended:— Lurline Armstrong (Greytown), 509; A. Morrison (Pahiatua), 469; Frank Do Lisle (Masterton), 459; Jarl Sylvester (Masterton), 450; Marian Lee (Martinborough), 428; Miriam Spero (Greytown), 411; Mary Power (Dryer's Rock), 377.

22nd December 1904 Miss F. Evans, of the Opaki School, has been appointed mistress at Clyde Quay, and Miss Atkinson, now assistant at Martinborough, has been appointed assistant at Mount Cook Girls' School. They will take up their new duties when the schools resume next year

1905

1905	97	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£215	\$34,002
1905	97	Martinborough	Cran	Elizabeth B	E2	Mistress	£100	\$15,815
1905	97	Martinborough	Freeman	Jessie A		Female Pupil Teacher 3	£45	\$7,117

11th January 1905 Advertisement for a Mistress £100

20th January 1905 J Orr passed Junior National Scholarship which entitled them to a free place in a secondary school

24th February 1905 Repairs to Martinborough Residence £1. 10s

24th February Miss Cran of Ballance (*Near Pahiatua*) School to Martinborough

27th May 1905 The Board consented to the erection of gymnasium at Martinborough School, the building to be the property of the Board and subject to the committee's control.

2nd September 1905 deputation of four residents of Martinborough (South Wairarapa) waited upon the Education Board on Thursday afternoon with the request that the local school buildings should have increased accommodation. The Board, after hearing particulars of the position, decided to make immediate application to the Government for a grant for increased accommodation, owing to the growth of settlement in the district.

1906

1906	110	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£225	\$34,967
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1906	110	Martinborough	Cran	Elizabeth B	E2	Assistant Female	£105	\$16,318
1906	110	Martinborough	Ashworth	Nina		Female Pupil Teacher 1	£45	\$6,993

1907	778	Masterton	Freeman	Jessie		Female Pupil Teacher 5	£	60.00
1908	11	Mangapakeha	Freeman	Jessie		Female	£	66.00
1909	13	Mangapakeha	Freeman	Jessie A		Female	£	90.00
1910	8	Mangapakeha	Freeman	Jessie A		Female	£	90.00
1911	37	Te Ore Ore	Freeman	Jessie A		Assistant Female	£	94.00
1912	39	Te Ore Ore	Freeman	Jessie A		Assistant Female	£	99.00
1913	27	Matahiwi	Freeman	Jessie A	D3	Female	£	120.00
1914	30	Matahiwi	Freeman	Jessie A	D3	Female	£	150.00
1915	26	Matahiwi	Freeman	Jessie A	D3	Female	£	160.00
1917	17	Matahiwi	Freeman	Jessie A	Sole	D-73	£	180.00
1919	19	Matahiwi	Freeman	Jessie A	Sole	D-67	£	260.00
1921	22	East Taratahi	Freeman	Jessie A	Sole	D	£	320.00
1923	39	Parkvale	Freeman	Jessie A	Head	D-136	£	303.00

1964/30030	Freeman	Jessie Agnes	78Y
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27th January 1906 the addition to the Martinborough School be 30 foot x 20 foot (9.44 metres x 6.09 Metres)

16th March 1906 Additions to the schoolhouse (*Not residence*) at Martinborough, H. Trotman, of Greytown. £246 1s 6d

26th April 1906 Wellington Education Board reports The contractors had begun the building of additions to ths new school at Martinborough,

28th July 1906 Sites acquired.— Makara, ½ acre, residence; Dyer Settlement, two sites; Longbush; Rewa, 5 acres ; Carterton, small addition to residence site; residence. Under consideration.—Pahiatua, Lansdowne, Martinborough, Waiohine, Waterfalls

28th September 1906 Leave of absence to the following teachers was granted by the Education Board yesterday: — Miss Freeman, Martinborough

28th September 1906 The **department** refused to make a grant to the board for the rent of a caretaker's cottage at South Wellington or to give the sum of £128 for the purchase of a site at Martinborough

Later in meeting Wellington Education Board passed: Martinborough, that the board . purchase the acre offered at £125

29th September 1906 The inspector's recommendation that the best means of carrying the children from the Dyer Settlement into the Martinborough School be adopted was carried. On Mr Buchanan's motion, it was decided to approach the department for a grant for a new school at the Dyer Settlement. A suitable site had been offered the Board near the creamery, some three miles and three-quarters from Martinborough, and the Chief Inspector stated there were about thirty children at Dyer, with the early prospect of an increased number. A committee was set up to go into the whole question of the conveyance of children to school.

27th October 1906 The following resolution has been passed by the Wellington Education Board:—That the Education Den»rtment bo asked to jiabe somewhat more liberal grants for the conveyance of nhildren: that, where the conditions are favourable for conveyance, nod the number of children considerable, the cost of a van should be allowed to the Board; that, as a

new settlement is being established at Dry River, trial by mode of this plan in the conveyance of the children to Martinborough, van being provided, and the contractor being required to find the horses, harness and driver.

5th December 1906 Crown tenants at Dry River, for some time past, have been urging the Wellington Education Board to supply them with a school. It is stated that there are thirtyeight children of school age, and a good prospect of an increase shortly ; but in the meantime the youngsters are going without education. The Board favours the conveyance of the children by coach to Martinborough, but to this the parents, for various reasons, are opposed. Efforts have been made to arrange for the transit of the children, but no contractor is daring enough to get a coach or 'bus specially built and risk the result of parental opposition. It is alleged that the reason why the Dry Riverites want a school at their doors is to be able to utilise on the dairy farms as much as possible the assistance of the juveniles. The ride to Martinborough and back, it seems, would interfere [with the milking of the cows. This Martinborough opinion, however, is emphatically resented by the Dry River people, who declare that, in insisting on an independent school of their own, they are simply studying the welfare and safety of their families. It is now stated that Sir Edward Gibbs is getting a family coach built specially, in order that the young brood at Dry River may have the choice of travelling to the Martinborough school on wheels, or growing up uneducated. It is said that the people of Dry River will refuse to have their families " coached" in the way insisted upon by the Educational authorities. The outcome of this unusual deadlock will be watched with interest

1907

1907	135	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£225	\$35,273
1907	135	Martinborough	Cran	Elizabeth B	E2	Assistant Female	£105	\$16,461
1907	135	Martinborough	Brown	Alexandra		Assistant Female	£85	\$13,325

1st February 1907 The Education Board meeting, yesterday, was largely occupied with deputations. Three settlers, from the Dyer settlement, near Martinborough, applied for a new school, as thirty children were going without education. The Education Department desired to provide a van, and convey the families to the Martinborough school, but the parents objected, and offered to provide a building at the homestead.

The Board resolved to provide a teacher, and ask the Minister to make provision for a school

16th February 1907 Masterton District High School headmaster reports on transfer of Miss Freeman from Martinborough

13th June 1907 Mr G. Dryden has been appointed the Martinborough School's delegate on the Wairarapa School Committees' Association. The average attendance at this school last month was one hundred and sixty-eight

19th June 1907 The Martinborough School's roll number last week was 170, the highest attendance 153, and the average 142

27th June 1907 On the motion of Mr. Hogg, it -was resolved : "that the site surveyed at the Dyer Settlement (near Martinborough), and approved by the majority of the settlers, be adopted, and the department be asked to authorise the election of a school

11th July 1907 The School Trouble

The settlers at the Dyer Settlement, situated at the Dry River Estate, beyond Martinborough, have had a good deal of trouble over the establishment of a school. In the first place, the Department offered to help them in getting a conveyance to take the children to the school at Martinborough. The Education Board contributed to the educational deadlock that ensued,

the Department insisting on a horse, van and rider, and the parents firmly asserting their right to a school on the spot. Finally a temporary building was furnished, and, a majority of the Board sympathising with the parents, a teacher was duly despatched, to the great joy of the Dyer juveniles. The next difficulty arose over the site of the future school. The site in general demand was on the main road of the settlement, at the end next Martinborough, but a small section who lived in the more remote part wished it planted about, two miles further back. The Board appointed its Chairman, Mr Buchanan, and Inspector Fleming to determine the site. A few weeks ago they visited the place, met sixteen settlers, and found that a dozen of them wished the school to be erected near the Martinborough end, where most of the settlers have, their residences. Some of the visiting Committee, however, seemed to think that the "way-back" families should not be ignored, and the meeting was far from satisfactory, the claims of the minority apparently receiving a good deal of sympathy. When the Board met recently, the Committee presented a report recommending that the Education Department be requested to place the school on the surveyed site, failing which one of three acres on the corner of Mr Waugh's land could be taken. The following amendment proposed by Mr Hogg, seconded by Mr Kebell, was carried: "That the site surveyed at the Dyer Settlement, and approved by the majority of the settlers, be adopted. and the Department be asked to authorise the erection of a school. "

11th September 1907 The Martinborough School Committee have decided to recommend the appointment of Miss Jacobsen **as assistant** teacher.

13th September 1907 At a meeting of the Martinborough School Committee, the headmaster reported a roll number of 160, with an average attendance of 128.

9th October 1907 Miss Cran, of the teaching staff of the Martinborough School, is at present on holiday leave in Nelson, -for the benefit of her health. She is expected back on Friday

15th October 1907 The Board was prepared to purchase an acre adjoining the school site at Martinborough, and the price was arranged with the church managers there, but the trustees have now withdrawn the offer.

18th October 1907 There are now 172 pupils on the roll of the Martinborough School, with an average attendance of 135.

23rd October 1907 It is anticipated that some £10 will be the financial result of the recent concert in aid of the Martinborough School.

25th October 1907 It was decided to decline rent for the horse paddock at Pahiatua, and further to approve of rent for additional acre [£5) at Martinborough

13th November 1907 Miss Brown is relieving Miss Cartwright as teacher at the Martinborough School *Miss Cartwright was previously at Dyer School but did not teach there long nor returned to Martinborough*

1908

1908	148	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£235	\$36,841
1908	148	Martinborough	Cran	Elizabeth B	E2	Assistant Female	£110	\$17,245
1908	148	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D4	Assistant Female	£90	\$14,109

17th January 1908 Tenders for erection of a new school at the Dyer Settlement, near Martinborough, are being called for by the Wellington Education Board

5th February 1908 There are now 182 names on the roll of the Martinborough School

5th February 1908 Miss Iorns, who has been appointed teacher at the Dry River School, entered upon her duties on Monday last. Miss Jacobson, late of the Pongaroa School, commenced her new duties at the Martinborough School on Monday

1903	131	Otaki	Jacobsen	Alice G		FP3	£	40.00
1904	152	Otaki	Jacobsen	Alice G		FP4	£	55.00

1905	52	Pongaroa	Jacobsen	Alice G	Licensed	Mistress	£ 85.00
1906	52	Pongaroa	Jacobsen	Alice G	Licensed	Assistant Female	£ 90.00
1907	54	Pongaroa	Jacobsen	Alice G	Licensed	Assistant Female	£ 90.00
1908	148	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D4	Assistant Female	£ 90.00
1909	136	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D4	Assistant Female	£ 95.00
1910	115	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D3	Assistant Female	£ 100.00
1911	112	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D3	Assistant Female	£ 105.00
1912	133	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice Grace	D2	Assistant Female	£ 105.00
1913	153	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice Grace	D2	Assistant Female	£ 105.00

1914/7204	Alice Grace	Jacobsen	Murdoch Sutherland	Ross
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18th March 1908 At the next meeting of the Welling to v Education Board, a deputation from the Martinborough School Committee will wait on the Board to urge increased accommodation at that school.

20th March 1908 The annual school picnic of the Martinborough School will be held to-day

28th March 1908 As the average attendance at Tablelands school, Martinborough, had not come up to anticipations, the settlers have written to the Wellington Education Board offering to make up the difference between capitation and the promised salary of the teacher.

It was decided, at the meeting of the Wellington Education Board, on Thursday, that application be made to the Minister for Education for the amount required to erect an additional secondary school classroom at Masterton and additional accommodation at Martinborough.

29th May 1908 Alleged irregularities in the election of School Committees for the Mount Cook district for~ Martinborough "Petone. and Pongaroa, came under the notice of the meeting of the Education Board yesterday afternoon

In the case of the 'Martinborough. School, it was decided that the candidate next in order should take the place of a member declared ineligible

26th June 1908 The Board decided to replace the old part of the school at ' Martinborough with a new room

29th July 1908 Mr C. W. Lee, Martinborough's schoolmaster, was thrown out of a trap on Sunday, and he severely hurt the back region of his spine, as well as receiving numerous cuts about the head.

3rd August 1908 Miss Anderson, who is to act- as relieving teacher at the Martinborough School during the absence of Mr C. W. Lee, through injuries sustained in a buggy ' accident, commenced duty this "(Monday) morning,

4th September 1908 The Government has made a grant of £495 to the Education Board, for the enlargement of the Martinborough School.

10th September 1908 Extensive alterations', of a much needed nature are about' to be effected to the Martinborough State School While working-at a baud saw the other day, Mr Leslie Benton of Featherston, had the misfortune to severely injure two fingers of the left hand.

The Martinborough State School is at present observing the term holiday of one week

22nd August 1908 Mr C. W. Lee, Martinborough's schoolmaster, who has been on sick leave, through a buggy accident, has resumed duty

25th September 1908 The Government has made a grant of £459 to the Wellington Education Board for additions to the Martinborough School

23rd November 1908 was reported at a recent meeting of the Martinborough School Committee that a deputation had waited on the Dry River School Committee and that it had been decided to fix the boundaries of the schools at Tullock's Estate, and from thence to the Ruakakapatuu

11th December 1908 Martinborough (including erection of two rooms and alterations to a third), W. Maxton, Greytown. Wellington Education Board tender accepted

1909

1909	136	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£245	\$38,933
1909	136	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	D2	Assistant Female	£120	\$19,069
1909	136	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D4	Assistant Female	£95	\$15,096

9th March 1909 Alterations and additions to the Martinborough State School are at present in progress. Two large rooms, one 30ft by 24ft, and the other 26 ft by 24ft are being added, with a corridor between these and the other two rooms. The additions and other rooms will provide four large class rooms, and a head teacher's room. The new windows will be of ground glass, and hyloplate will be placed round the rooms to be used in place of blackboards

26th March 1909 That new desks, as approved by the inspector, be procured for Waikanae and Martinborough.

17th April 1909 The alterations and addition to the State school in Martinborough have been completed, and the building is now in occupation.

29th April 1909 The following were elected a committee for the Martinborough State School for the ensuing year : — Messrs. G. Bennett (chairman), J. Gaskin, W. McLeod, J. J. Jackson, A. Smith (secretary), H. Davis and A. Watkins

30th April 1909 Martinborough (painting gymnasium, high pressure. water service), W. Maxton, £6 5s, Wellington Education Board

30th April 1909 E B Cran resigns

1909/3543	Elizabeth Cran	John	Boyd
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9th June 1909 Martinborough, assistant teacher, Miss C. Gray, of Mauriceville West

14th June 1909 Miss Coady, of Auckland, is acting relieving mistress at the Martinborough State School, until Miss Grey, the newly-appointed teacher takes up her duties

24th June 1909 That the acceptance of the following tenders be approved :—: — Five teachers' tables, Martinborough, W. A. Bird, £1 3s 6d each; £50; drainage, Martinborough, W. Roper, £13 10s; fencing, Martinborough, W. Maxton

18th August 1909 The Martinborough School Committee has fixed September 30th as the date of the annual school concert. The school has a roll number of 167, the average last month being 135.

1910

1910	115	Martinborough	Lee	Clement W	E1	Headmaster	£250	\$39,193
1910	115	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	D2	Assistant Female	£120	\$18,812
1910	115	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D3	Assistant Female	£100	\$15,677

1st June 1910 Applications for works and supplies at the following schools- ,were declined:— Akitio. Pukehinau, Lansdowne, Martinborough, and Upper Hutt Martinborough (Church Acre).—That the vestry be informed that a year's notice is required if church acre is to be resumed

3rd June 1910 At, the last meeting of the Education Board a letter was received from Mr. O. W. Lee, headmaster of the Martinborough Public School, in which he intimated a desire to be relieved of his duties, from Christmas. It, was accordingly decided that Mr. Lee's resignation be accepted

1st September 1910 Wellington Education Board .—(a) Martinborough: That the secretary pursue inquiries- regarding site extension

26th October 1910 Daily Times. The Wellington Education Board has granted six months' leave of- absence to Mr C. W. Lee, headmaster of the .Martinborough school, on half pay. Mr Lee will then retire from the Board's service, after being in charge of schools at Pahiatua, Otaki and Martinborough.

26th October Wairarapa Age Leave of absence was granted to Mr C. W. Lee, of Martinborough, for six months, but without pay

14th November 1910 The Rev. H. T. and Mrs. Stealey, of the Hikurangi College, Clareville, leave for Sydney on December 16, and on December 24 sail from there for the Old Country. It is some nine years ago since Mr. Stealey visited England, and he is duo back here at the beginning of August next. During the principal's from the college, Mr. C. W. Lee, at present headmaster of the Martinborough State School, will be in charge

16th November 1910 NEXtF WEEK'S EXCURSION, j j EIGHT SCHOOLS PARTICIPAT- j ING. The Navy League School excursion for thfi Wairarapa to Wellington on Thursday, the 24th, promises *to be a great success. Already eight schools have notified the Secretary that they intend to take advantage of this easy and cheap manner of spending a good day's outing, and Masterton, Lansdowne, Te Ore Ore, Taueru, Fernridge. Clareville, Featherston, and Martinborough are sending contingents. The train will only stop at Clareville and Featherston to pick up the children and at Kaitoke for refreshments. The timetable will be as follows: Down—Masterton, 8 30 a.m.; Clareville, 8.50 a.m.; Featherston, 9.40 a.m., and Wellington, 12.45 a.m. Up—Wellington, 6-7 p.m.; Featherston, 9.14 p.m.; Clareville, 9.55 p.m., and Masterton, 10.15 p.m. Very liberal fares have been arranged by the Navy League, and are as follows, the fares being return—From Masterton, under 15 Is 2d, senior scholars and teachers 2s 10d. adults 3s 9d; from Clareville, Is 4d. 2s 6d and 3s 3d; from Featherston Is Id, Is lid, and 2s 6d. On the arrival of the train a; Wellington the carriages will be locked, and those desirous of leaving £their coats, etc., in the carriages will not need to carry them around during their visit to the warships. It is probable that both the Gover nor, Lord Islington, and the Premier, Sir Joseph Ward, will address the children on landing, and also that the Admiral of the Fleet, Sir Richard Poore, will say a few words? to the Navy Leaguers when aboard the Powerful.

1st December 1910 The settlers at Tablelands, beyond Martinborough, are appealing to the Education Board, for a new school. The roll number at the present aided school is thirteen. Tlie Board decided on Tuesday to apply to the Government for a grant.

15th December 1910 Among the teachers who are leaving the Thorndon Normal School this year is Mr. J. K. Eadie. Air. Eadie will be very greatly missed from the staff, for, in the words of Mr. Webb (headmaster) he has always been willing to take up work ordinarily outside that usually undertaken by a State school teacher. Mr. Webb made this announcement at the school's annual concert last evening, and said that the success of the performance that night was solely due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Eadie. Mr. Eadie's new appointment is that of headmaster at Martinborough. *Spelling above is incorrect. Edie is correct spelling.*

1911

1911	112	Martinborough	Edie	John K	E1	Headmaster	£240	\$37,956
1911	112	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	C2	Assistant Female	£125	\$19,769
1911	112	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice G	D3	Assistant Female	£105	\$16,606

16th January 1911 C. W. Lee, who has just retired from the headmastership of the Martinborough school, after filling the position for sixteen years, ' was entertained by the settlers of the district last week, and. with Mrs Lee, was the recipient of tangible expressions of appreciation in the form of a silver plate.

4th February 1911 The roll number of the Martinborough- school is at present 138

27th March 1911 The average attendance at the chief schools in the Wairarapa district during the past .year/was as follows : 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; Martinborough, 115; Lansdowne, 144; Eketahuna, 113 Fernridge 86 Clareville, 83 Nireaha 65 Konini 61; Scarborough, 59; Pongaroa, 50; Parkvale, 52. Kaiwairai, : 43; Rongokokako, 41; Kaitawa, 40; MakoMako, . 42; Ballance 53; Dalefield, 52; Hukanui, 67 Hastwell, 46 ;'* Gladstone j 43 ; ' Kaipororo; 39; Mauriceville West, 38; Te Ore Ore; 37

29th March 1911 Martinborough, papering, repairs, etc., to residence, £57 10s. and , urinal screen.at school, £7.10s

26th April 1911 Department approved Martinborough (half cost site), £75. Additional area

26th April 1911 MARTINBOROUGH.— Messrs. McGregor (chairman), W. Aitchison, M. Ross, H. O. Benton, J. Dick, E. McCassey and Rev., McLaverty

20th May 1911 Mr A. McGregor, a. business man of Martinborough, who was elected at the top of the poll at the recent School Committee election, has had to vacate his seat because, being a boarder, h a has not tho qualifications to sit.

1st June 1911 Tho wedding of Mr J. K. Edie, headmaster of the Martinborough State School, to Miss-Christine Picot, only daughter of Mr John Picot, of Thorndon Quay, Wellington, was celebrated at St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral on Monday.

3rd June 1911 The school attendance at Martinborough is suffering severely at present on account of so many of tho children being absent with mumps, measles, and chicken-pox.

30th June 1911 Mr and Mrs C. W. Lee, late of Martinborough, who have been acting principals at the Hikurangi Native College, Clareville during the absence of the Rev. T. H. and Mrs Stealey in England, were last week the recipients of a handsomely-framed photograph of the college, from the students, prior to the breaking-up for the term holidays.

8th August 1911 Mr. Edie resigned bis office as organist and choirmaster, having been appointed by the Education Board to an important position, in the Wairarapa district. Kent Terrace Presbyterian Wellington Annual Report

28th August 1911 An attractive programme is being prepared for the Martinborough School concert to be .held on August 31. The items will include duets, trios, quartets ,and choruses by the children, and several recitations and drill displays are also bring prepared. The proceeds of the concert (which is being supervised by Mr. J. K. Edie, headmaster) will go towards defraying the cost of the new piano purchased for school use

1912

1912	133	Martinborough	Edie	John K	C1	Headmaster	£245	\$37,573
1912	133	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	C2	Assistant Female	£130	\$19,937
1912	133	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice Grace	D2	Assistant Female	£105	\$16,103

24th January 1912 Mr. and Mrs. .J. K. Edie, of Martinborough, who have been spending the holidays at Dunedin, arrived from the south Sunday, and are the guests of Mrs. Picot

28th February 1912 The Martinborough state school has had a very high percentage of attendances of late, and if the attendance improves a little, the school will be entitled to another assistant teacher

27th March 1912 Leave of absence granted to Miss Jacobson Wellington Education Board

19th April 1912 The Martinborough School Committee is asking the Education Board to provide a septic tank for the school

26th April 1912 The new School Committee at Martinborough embraces a clergyman, a Justice of the Peace, a constable, a coroner, and an undertaker.

30th April 1912. Library Subsidy paid to Martinborough by Wellington Education Board

29th May 1912 Wellington Education Board would pay half cost of conveniences

31st July 1912 The clerk of works "was directed to estimate and report, with sketch plan where necessary, on applications from the following places: Hutt, Brooklyn, South Wellington (heating service), Martinborough (septic tank),

1913

1913	153	Martinborough	Edie	John K	C1	Headmaster	£250	\$37,500
1913	153	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	C2	Assistant Female	£135	\$20,250
1913	153	Martinborough	Jacobsen	Alice Grace	D2	Assistant Female	£105	\$15,750
1913	153	Martinborough	Tully	Dorothy		Female Pupil Teacher 2	£50	\$7,500

30th January 1913 Dorothy Tully appointed Pupil Teacher Aged about 18 years old

25th February 1913 The following obtained partial passes :-— Class B,— J. K. Edie.

19th April 1913 Mr J. K. Edie has been appointed conductor of the Martinborough Glee Club.

30th April Martinborough Septic tank no Tender Wellington Education Board

15th September 1913 Part of a long report on Teaching Teachers included On Friday morning at eleven o'clock the teachers, staff, and visitors assembled in the domestic economy room to bid farewell to each other, when Mr D. E. Leslie and Mr Edie voiced the thanks and appreciation of the teachers for the pleasant and profitable fortnight they had spent at the Masterton school, and presented Mr Cumming and each of the instructors with mementos of the 1913 spring school

5th November 1913. Mr J. K. Edie, headmaster of the Martinborough school, met with an unfortunate mishap on Saturday. He had been sitting on the bank of the Huangaroa river and in getting up somehow twisted his knee out of joint. After a time, a cyclist happened along, and by supporting himself on the bicycle Mr Edie was able to reach Mr W J. "Martin's residence. Medical assistance was soon procured and the knee set in place, but it will be a few days before he will recover.

11th November 1913 Mr J. K. Edie, headmaster of the Martinborough public school, who met with an accident some time ago, has again resumed his duties

22nd August 1913 MARTINBOROUGH. The annual "social" and choir concert of the!

Presbyterian Church was held in the School Hall on Tuesday, when there was a fair

gathering. The first part of the programme consisted of a lecture on hymns; congregational and choir singing by the choirmaster, Mr. J. K. Edie. To illustrate the various points brought out in the lecture, the choir at intervals tendered portions of hymns selected for the purpose

26th November 1913 that tenders for septic tank at Martinborough be held over until a communication has been received on the subject from the Education Department

1914

1914	174	Martinborough	Edie	John K	B1	Headmaster	£260	\$37,224
1914	174	Martinborough	Gray	Catherine	C2	Assistant Female	£145	\$20,760
1914	174	Martinborough	Hitchcock	Mary	C2	Assistant Female	£140	\$20,044
1914	174	Martinborough	Tully	Dorothy		Female Pupil Teacher 3	£55	\$7,874

27th January 1914 N\Miss A Jacobsen resigned

1914/7204	Alice Grace Jacobsen	Murdoch Sutherland	Ross
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9th February 1914 There were eleven applications for the position of assistant teacher at the Martinborough public school. Four names were forwarded to the committee for selection. The committee decided that it would be more advantageous for the school to have a lady teacher in consideration of sewing lessons, etc

12th February 1914 Miss E. Herdman, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Herdman, of Carterton, . baa received notice that she has been appointed assistant teacher at Martinborough. *Eleanor taught at Carterton 1908- 1911*

28th February 1914 J K Edie passed his B Class qualifcations

24th April 1914 Mr. J. K. Edie, of Martinborough, has received tho news of the somewhat sudden death of his mother at Lawrence, in Otago.'

23rd May 1914 Wellington Education Board Works Martinborough School Improvements to Latrines

30th June 1914 The mistress at the Martinborough school is taking steps to form a physical culture class for girls

9th July 1914 Miss J. Hitchcock, of Wellington, is acting as relieving teacher at the Martinborough school

10th November 1914 Mr G H Ralph appointed assistant master. George H Ralph was sole teacher Ihuraua (*Or ishera as known in my early teaching days*)

1915

1915	168	Martinborough	Edie	John K	B1	Headmaster	£270	\$36,167
1915	168	Martinborough	Ralph	George	C3	Assistant Master	£195	\$26,120
1915	168	Martinborough	Clarke	Mary C	C2	Assistant Female	£150	\$20,093
1915	168	Martinborough	Tully	Dorothy		Female Pupil Teacher 4	£55	\$7,367

16th February 1915 Mr G H Ralph has been appointed librarian at Martinborough

31st March 1915 Wellington Education Board Grant to Martinborough, waste and trap to bath

23rd April 1915 Patriotic Appeal article included Finally-the flag 'was knocked down amidst great applause, for £200 to Mr W. J. Martin, who presented it to; the Martinborough School. The total amount realised ~ for the flag was £2420

13th July 1915 Miss C M Gray of Martinborough to Otaki as assistant

15th July 1915 Miss C. Gray, who, for the past six years has been* stationed at Martinborough- school in the capacity of infant mistress, has received an appointment at Otaki, and will leave shortly to take ,iip her new duties.

24th July 1915 It is expected that Miss Gray, of the Martinborough State school, will take up her duties at Otaki during the present month.

11th August Miss M A Clarke appointed assistant

8th November 1915 The average attendance at tho Martinborough school has fallen from 184 in the t first quarter of the present year to 158 this quarter

11th November Miss E Hall appointed

15th November 1915 We have been asked to state that the Miss L. ;E. Hall, of Wellington, who is at present resident in Masterton, is not the Miss E. Hall appointed to **the Martinborough** school..

20th December An effort is being made to have the Martinborough school constituted a District High School

1916-1917

1917 203 Martinborough Edie John K H B-35 £290 \$32,503

1917 203 Martinborough Ralph George H Assistant C-84 £200 \$22,416

1917 203 Martinborough Clarke Mary A C Assistant C-78 £160 \$17,933

1917 203 Martinborough Hall Ethel B Assistant £117 \$13,113

5th February 1916 EDIE-On 1st February, at "Te .Whare Kura," .Grey-street, Martinborough, the wife of J. IR. Edie—a daughter. *Whare Kura translates to schoolhouse*

1916/9068	Edie	Christine Barbara	Christine Emilia	John Kerr
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Joan Isabel was born in 1914

3rd March 1916 Miss D. Tully, late pupil teacher at the Martinborough school, was successful in securing a partial D certificate' at the recent examination

30th March 1916 The Wellington Education Board has approved of a high pressure, water service for the Martinborough school

6th April 1916 The average attendance at the. Martinborough School for last quarter was 161 only one above the number required to keep the school in its present status.

5th July 1916 The- average attendance at the Martinborough school for the past quarter was 169 out of an average roll number of 192.

1st September 1916 The Wellington Education Board has referred a petition from the residents of Ruakokopatuna, near Martinborough, for a new .school, to the Inspector for a report

1st December 1916 Ruakokopatuna was proposed as the name for a new school which the Education Board decided should be erected near the Wantwood Estate not far from Martinborough. It was explained that Wantwood was not the name of the settlement, and besides "there was already a Wantwood school in Marlborough. Two names were therefore proposed—the one which ilia Chairman referred to as "the first name" and Pukenui, the tone of a nearby estate, the owner of which is giving the land for the school site. After some little discussion and explanation of meanings, the hoard decided on the name which "was most easily pronounced

19th July 1917 Association Football (Soccer) Wellington Management Committee included Martinborough School, Mr. A. Baxter wrote regarding a representative school game. There will probably be ono played in Christchurch this season, and arrangements will be completed

20th July 1917 A sum of £3 15s 10d has been contributed by the Martinborough school children in aid of the sufferers by the London air raid

25th July 1917 Approval was given to a proposal for the establishment of technical und continuation classes at Martinborough. (*This was the start of a district high school. Kuranui College did not open until 1960*)

10th September 1917 Wellington representatives defeated Martinborough schoolboys by 6. to nil- McGavin 4, Orr 1, and Williams 1. (*Soccer*)

1918-1919

1919	248	Martinborough	Edie	John K	Head	B-33	£375	\$33,878
1919	248	Martinborough	Melton	Jane B Mrs	Assistant	D-65	£305	\$27,554
1919	248	Martinborough	Clarke	Mary A C	Assistant	C-77	£230	\$20,778
1919	248	Martinborough	Hall	Ethel B	Assistant		£160	\$14,454
1919	248	Martinborough	Smith	May L	Assistant		£140	\$12,648
1919	248	Martinborough	Owen	Christina O	Pupil Teacher 1		£110	\$9,937

18th January 1918 War Appointment Assistant Mr. J Casey

20th February 1918 Tender accepted W Roper residence drainage.

22nd February 1918 the roll number at Martinborough school is now 234

2nd March 1918 The Wellington Education Board appealed for George H. Ralph, school ' teacher, Martinborough, a volunteer. As the board (*Military Service Board*) was being dissolved it would not go into the general question of the exemption of school teachers. In Ralph's case an adjournment of two months was made.

25th March 1918 A roll of honour to fallen soldiers is to be unveiled-at the Martinborough School to-morrow

8th April 1918 The roll number at the Martinborough school has now reached 241.

15th May 1918 Mr G H Ralph resigns *In 1921 George H Ralph was teaching at Hastings*

14th June 1918 Mrs J B Melton appointed assistant

20th June 1918 It was decided to apply to the Education Department for grants for additional accommodation at Martinborough. and Solway.

15th August 1918 On Friday afternoon a school team from Martinborough will play a representative school team of Wellington North boys, and on Saturday morning the visitors will meet a team selected from boys playing for Wellington South. Mr. Smith will 1; referee the game on Friday, and Mr. Josephs will control the match on Saturday morning. *Soccer Lost against North 7-0*

12th October 1918 EDIE.—On October 9,1918, at "Te Whare Kura," Grey Street, Martinborough; the wife of J. K. Edie—a daughter

5th March 1919 At Martinborough last week, the staff and scholars presented an ebony hair brush and comb to Miss D. Nicol, who is leaving for the Teachers' Training College at Wellington *In 1921 Dorothy Nicol was the assistant at South Featherston School*

16th April 1919 The Education Department advised that the following 'grants had been approved :•— Hataitai, site extension, £600; Martinborough, infant room, £720;

2nd May 1919 Accompanying the plans of the new infant school to the Martinborough School Committee was a letter from the Chairman of the Wellington Education Board expressing approbation of the generous help by the residents of Martinborough in raising £50 towards purchasing an acre adjoining the school ground tor the establishment' of a District High School

16th June 1919 Accommodation is urgently needed at Martinborough- Wellington Education Board meeting

31st July 1919 The State school at Martinborough was completely destroyed by fire on Tuesday night. The cause of the conflagration is a mystery. The building, which was comparatively new, contained four rooms. The adjacent gymnasium, which was occupied by the infant classes, was damaged, but will easily be repaired. The headmaster is making arrangements for temporary accommodation in the town.

31st July 1919 AT MARTINBOROUGH. Mr. G. L. Stewart, secretary of the Wellington Education Board, was advised yesterday that tho Martinborough bchool had been completely

destroyed by fire between midnight and 1 a.m. 'yesterday' till last evening the cause of the fire was unknown to the board authorities. The school consisted of four large classrooms, capable of accommodation from 250 to 300 children. The building, of wooden construction, was one which had grown by extension, but one half of it was comparatively new. The school gymnasium, a detached building near the school, was also considerably damaged, but can be speedily repaired for use as one classroom. Temporary accommodation will be provided for the children by securing what halls are available in the town. The loss of this fine country school is regretted owing to the difficulties that are almost inseparable from building operations at the present time.

1st August 1919 The fire by which the Martinborough State school was destroyed occurred here on Monday night. It was discovered about midnight by Messrs L. Thomas and J. Ross. The fire had, such a hold by this time, that nothing could be done to save the building. The prompt arrival of the fire brigade saved the gymnasium hall. The loss of school books and material, and of [the 801 l of Honour, is a heavy one. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Owing to the railway restrictions, the school football match between Martinborough and Marist Brothers teams was abandoned

13th August 1919 GAMES AT MARTINBOROUGH]

On Monday afternoon at the Marist Thorndon School played the Martinborough School at Martinborough, the latter team winning by 2 goals to nil. From the kick-off Marist invaded their opponents' territory, but were soon put on the defensive by the Martinborough forwards, who played a good dribbling game. Barry, full-back for Marist, was very prominent, and blocked several rushes made by the opposing forwards, Marist were put on the defensive, and a corner was allowed to the country team. From the corner kick Nicholson* (Martinborough) let drive, and found the net without any difficulty. Martinborough 1, Marist 0. The second spell was fast, and some good combination was shown by the Marist forwards—Ryan, Knight, and Engall being prominent. While play was in mid-field, McLeod (Martinborough) got away, and netted a good goal, giving Lenard, Marist goalkeeper, no chance. Marist played up to their standard after this, and the country goalkeeper had several narrow escapes. A match between the same teams on Saturday, resulted in a draw. It is anticipated that Martinborough will make a trip to Wellington to meet the Marist Thorndon team again.

12th September 1919 schoolboys' Association football team from Martinborough is paying a weekend visit to Wellington, in charge of Messrs. Baxter and Edie, for the purpose of playing a match against the Marist (Hawkestone-street) team. During their stay in Wellington the boys will be the guests of the proprietor at the Empress Theatre, who have extended to them a cordial invitation.

18th September 1919 Mr. T. Moss wished to move that the board protest against the delay in making arrangements for a new school at Martinborough in place of the one recently destroyed by fire. The chairman thought that Mr. Moss should make it general. It was no good singling out the one school. Wellington Education Board Meeting

9th October 1919 MARTINBOROUGH SCHOOL

DEPUTATION TO MINISTER

(By Telegraph—Special to the Age.) WELLINGTON, Last Night. Mr. J. T. M. Hornsby, M.P., this afternoon introduced a deputation from Martinborough to Sir Francis Bell, Minister of Education. Mr. Hornsby asked that the work of rebuilding the school (recently destroyed by fire) be proceeded with at once. Messrs. Arkle and Smith said the people of Martinborough had subscribed £400 towards the cost of a new site. They pointed out the great drawbacks under which the school children were laboring, and hoped the Minister would put the spur in. The Minister promised to consider the matter and let the member for the district know. He believed in helping those that helped themselves.

16th October 1919 The residents of Martinborough (Wellington district) have offered to subscribe £400 towards the purchase of a new site for the school that is to replace the one recently destroyed by fire. A little more of this public spirit would be a very good thing for the country. *' —' National Education.' (*Wairarapa Age*)

25th October 1919 The Minister of Education has approved a grant of £250, to supplement the £400 subscribed by residents, for the purchase of a new school site at Martinborough.

11th November 1919 Active steps are being taken to have the local school converted into a District High School

14th November 1919 The following resolution, was unanimously carried' at a meeting of householders held in Martinborough one day this week:—"That this meeting of parents and householders asks the Committee to urge the Board to take the necessary steps to establish a District High School."

17th November 1919 Miss Clarke, schoolmistress, of Martinborough, is at present sitting for an examination at Masterton She is staying with her mother at> Carnarvon House.

17th November 1919 While one of Mr. A. D. McLeod's young sons was watching the Martinborough school children bathe in the Ruamahanga River last week, he was bitten by what is believed to have been a katipo. His condition for some days was most alarming, his temperature being' at one time 106, but the young sufferer is now reported to be improving

6th December 1919 Mr. and Mrs. Edie (Martinborough) have taken a house at Days Bay for the holidays

1920-1921

1921	235-32	Martinborough	Edie	John K	Head	B	£435	\$37,449
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Preece	Olive	Infant Mistress	C	£280	\$24,105
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Clarke	Mary A C	Assistant	C	£270	\$23,244
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Hall	Ethel B	Assistant		£210	\$18,079
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Smith	May L	Assistant		£180	\$15,496
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Burt	Effie W	Pupil Teacher 1		£125	\$10,761
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Munro	Margaret K	Probationer 2		£120	\$10,331
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Evans	Marguerite E	Pupil Teacher 1		£95	\$8,179
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Dale	Annabella S	Secondary	B		
1921	235-32	Martinborough	Norman B A	Norah P	Secondary	A		

29th January 1920 The refusal of the Education Department to pay for the erection of assembly halls at Martinborough and Miramar wits made the subject of protest at the meeting of the Wellington Municipality Board yesterday. The chairman (Mr. T. Forsyth) said that nearly all the schools in the Wanganui district had assembly halls, which served a very valuable public purpose. The board decided to press its request further

1st March 1920 Miss Gray, who was for some years a member of the staff of the Martinborough school, and who is well known in that district, is a* present an inmate of Nurse White's hospital in Masterton *Left Martinborough in 1914*

21st August 1920 Mrs J B Melton resigns

27th April 1920 The roll number of the Martinborough School is now 257

13th May 1920 The Star states that Miss Fellingham is at present relieving at the Martinborough school in place of Mrs J. B. Melton, who received an appointment at Hastings.

26th May 1920 A soccer match between Marist Bros. School and a Martinborough boys' team was played on the Martinborough ground a few days ago, and resulted in a win for Marist

Bros, by 2 goals 1 to 1, after a very close game. The Martinborough boys, who were handicapped by the absence of three of their prominent players, put up a splendid fight
22nd July 1920 Tenders have been let for the erection of reinforced concrete schools at Martinborough and To Ore Ore. The Martinborough school, which will have five classrooms, will be erected on a block of six acres of land, which has been donated by local residents with the assistance of a subsidy.

3rd August 1920 (*Minister=Mr J Parr*) At Martinborough the Minister was met by a large deputation and thanked for the grant of a new school. He was asked to see that the grade of the school was not allowed to suffer on account of the attendance being affected through the scholars being housed in four buildings. It was also suggested that a high school might be considered for the district

3rd August 1920 Wairarapa Age report AT MARTINBOROUGH. The Minister was met by a very large deputation at Martinborough. Mr. M. R. Smith (chairman of the Town Board) introduced the Minister and accorded him a hearty welcome to the district. He thanked the Department for its grant of £13,000 for a new school, and enlarged upon the growing importance of the district and the closer settlement that was taking place. He pointed out that the district had subscribed handsomely towards improving the educational facilities. They had a site now of 11 ½ acres on which to place the new school.

Mr. John Martin, said the question of establishing a High School deserved the serious consideration of the Department. ' He considered, that the amount paid High School pupils who went to outside schools was insufficient.

Mr. Wilton (chairman of the School Committee) stated that, owing to influenza and the fact that the pupils were housed in four different buildings, the average attendance had been so reduced that the grade of the school stood to suffer. .Would the Minister help them out of the difficulty.

Mr. Eadie (*Sic*) (headmaster) quoted the growth of the school since 1911, the roll number having increased from 113 to 265. They had eight of a staff, and the classes were' carried on in four separate buildings. He stated there (were twenty-five pupils in sight for a District High 'School, and judging by the growth of the district the attendance was bound to increase. He pointed out that during the past ten years the people had subscribed £OSO towards the school funds.

Mr Smith urged that Martinborough should lie given an opportunity of screening the educational films that the Department was obtaining.

The Hon. Mr Parr said lie was pleased to see the people of Martinborough taking such a lively interest in educational matters. There was no fear for the future education of the children while this spirit prevailed. A Minister was always prepared to talk business to a community prepared to help itself. He was opposed to establishing weak High Schools all over the country, as it meant weak teachers. If they could assure him of attendance of thirty pupils, he was prepared to go into the matter. He wanted to see the primary j schools firmly established. He was prepared within ail reasonable limits to help them. He was satisfied that the conditions of teaching had contributed to the reduced attendance, and he hoped under the special circumstances to help them.

The Minister afterwards visited the new site and the four schools, where he addressed the children and intimated that they could have a half holiday next day.

4th September 1920 The children of the Martinborough School have collected ,£5 17s. 6d. towards the Starving Children of Europe Fund. A cheque for the sum lins been received at The Dominion Office, and will be forwarded to the treasurer of the fund in due course.

7th February 1920 MARTINBOROUGH TEAM AT WELLINGTON. i A Sixth Division Soccer match was •played at Newtown Park on Saturday | between Wellington

representatives j and Martinborough school team. A fast and interesting game was put up, J. Roach, for Martinborough, scoring after five minutes' play. The Wellington players equalised before long, and just about half time L. Barnett secured a good goal for Martinborough. Half-time: Martinborough 2, Wellington L The second half provided a real good hard game, and Wellington scored just on time, thus finishing two all. Mr. Bell was an efficient referee. Martinborough also played Wellington Rovers on Friday afternoon. "This match also resulted in a draw—one all.

21st October 1920 Owing to the epidemic of measles and influenza in the district, over one hundred children, principally in the infant classes, have been away from the Martinborough school of late

25th October 1920 Owing to the outbreak of measles, the Martinborough school is to be closed for the whole of this week.

30th October 1920 The name of Miss M. C. Clarke, Martinborough, appears among the list of successes at the recent Victoria College University examinations.

30th December 1920 A quantity of material has arrived in Martinborough for the new school. It is understood that lack of cement is holding up operations

Note from 1921 only the Evening Post is on Papers Past

18th February 1921 Mr J K Edie appointed headmaster of Martinborough District High School

8th March 1921 The rebuilding of the District High School at Martinborough is making good progress

4th June 1921 Mr. J. K. Edie, of Martinborough, has returned from a visit to Palmerston North and Shannon

10th August 1921 The average attendances for the year 1920 at the district high schools, in the district were: Carterton, 42; Eketahuna, 40; Greytown, 10; Hutt, 31; Levin, 38; Masterton, 109 Pahiatua, 26; Petone, 53; total 439. At Martinborough, which is about twelve miles from the railway, the educational needs have, justified the establishment of a district high, school, opening in February, 1921.

20th September 1921 match) was played on Association Park during the, week-end between th-a Wellington Rovers and a school' team from Martinborough. (Wairarapa) for the Pearce Memorial Cup. Both teams played a hard game, and at the first spell the country boys' were leading, 1-0 Five minutes after restarting Wright scored. another goal for Martinborough, and a few minutes later Monkhouse scored for Wellington. The Martinborough boys then put in some good play, and Roaclu scored. A few minutes before time Bailey scored, the country lads thus winning the cup. Mr. B. Thorp was referee.

28th September 1921 Mr. James Crosbie Dale, formerly chief clerk and latterly chief postmaster at Westport, is dead, at the age of 66. He was a native of Ballarat (Victoria). His family are:—Miss Dale, M.A., Westport District High. School; Miss Ruby Dale, B.A., teacher at the Martinborough State school; and Mr. J. Murray Dale, solicitor, and member of the Wellington City Council.

14th October 1921 The reinforced concrete school at Martinborough (which replaces the one burnt down a year ago) is within" six weeks of completion. It would have been ready now but for delays due to the shortage' of -plasterers. The school will contain six large class-rooms.

19th October 1921 Wellington Education Board meeting Mr. Forsyth also said that he thought the school at Martinborough would be opened in about a month's time, as good .progress was being made

23rd December 1921 The new school at Martinborough is now completed, and the staff and pupils have now occupied the new building. There are six large classrooms, all well lighted and ventilated, and the structure is considered one of the most up to date and best-equipped schools in the Wellington education district

1922-1923

1923	221-21	Martinborough	Wilson	Henry L	Head	B-64	£415	\$38,143
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Clarke	Mary A C	Assistant	C-146	£273	\$25,091
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Hunt	Winifred M	Reliever	B-163	£253	\$23,253
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Watson	Herbert W	Assistant	D-198	£243	\$22,334
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Brown	Mary L	Assistant	B-201	£195	\$17,922
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Ward	Joan M	Probationer 1		£113	\$10,386
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Ross	Mary I	Probationer 1		£113	\$10,386
1923	221-21	Martinborough	MacDonald	Edith K	Probationer 2		£108	\$9,926
1923	221-21	Martinborough	McKay	Effie E	Pupil Teacher 2		£78	\$7,169
1923	221-21	Martinborough	Dale	Annabella S	Secondary	B-105		

Henry L Wilson came from Kaikoura DHS

15th March 1922 It was announced that the Minister of Education would open the new Martinborough school on 29th March

18th July 1882 Their Excellency's the Governor-General and Viscountess Jellicoe visited Featherston and Martinborough yesterday. At each centre Their Excellencies were accorded, a; public welcome, and the school children of the district were assembled and rendered patriotic songs. At, Martinborough, Lord Jellicoe unveiled a memorial at the public school to the memory of those ex-pupils who had fallen and served in the late war

1st May 1923 Martinborough .:—L McLeod (chairman), A. Taylor (secretary), A. W. George, A. J. Mahood, R. Smith, R. Feast, W. McKay, Rev. W. Raine (treasurer), F. T. Arkle

17th May 1923 E L Duley resigns

9th June 1923 The Martinborough School Committee has appointed Messrs. McKay, Raine, and the headmaster to represent the school at the annual meeting of the Central School Library delegates.

Post 1923

6th June 1924 Mr. Lewis, the new headmaster of the Martinborough School^ has. taken up his duties: Mr. Kedgley has taken over the position of assistant-master,'- and Miss J. Bowie, who has been relieving teacher, has been transferred to Picton.

7th April 1937 Because of a suspected case of infantile paralysis among the pupils, the Martinborough School was closed down today until further notice by order of the Wellington Education Board. The suspect is a girl aged three years, and is one of a family of children attending the school.

Martinborough Education Board all but not exact