

Pahautanui

1877-1880

1878		Pahautanui	Singer	W		Head	£ 160.00
1878		Pahautanui	Singer	Miss		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 45.00
1879		Pahautanui	Singer	W		Male	£ 170.00
1879		Pahautanui	Singer	Miss C L		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 30.00
1880		Pahautanui	Singer	William		Male	£ 190.00

Catherine Lucilla Singer died in 1941 unmarried]

William Singer Was at Pahautanui teaching before my records start in 1878 when the Education System was reformed and the number of Education Boards increased. He left Pahautanui in 1881 to teach at Kaiwairua which is between Martinborough and Featherston. He taught there until 1888 when he had to resign because of poor eyesight. The family moved to Auckland

12th March 1941 SINGER.—On March 11. at the Auckland Hospital'. Katherine Lucilla, daughter of the late William and Catherine Singer find sister of Mrs. J. E. Schofield. of 9 Waitua Road, Remuera. —Absent from the body, present with the Lord.

15th January 1876 Education Board meeting report by Inspector Robert Lee Pahautanui.— The work should be better presented. School life rather dull : pupil teacher wants more energy. Results on the whole satisfactory.

1st January 1877 The Pahautanui Sunday-school, conducted by Mrs. and Miss Singer, held its annual treat on Thursday last. There was a very large attendance of children, besides many parents and friends. The Pahautanui Brass Band kindly lent its valuable assistance to enliven the day's proceedings. In the afternoon a very interesting cricket-match was played between the girls attending the day and Sunday schools. The novelty of the match caused much amusement; but some of the young ladies displayed great ability both in batting, bowling, and in disputing the decisions of the umpires. After the match was over, the children assembled under the shade of the trees to partake of a bountiful supply of tea, cake, etc.; to which they did ample justice. In the evening a Christmas tree, loaded with presents from the teachers, formed the centre of attraction, and was much admired by the children, many of whom had never seen one before. When the presents had been distributed, the children sang a few of their hymns, and then returned to their homes, having spent a most enjoyable day.

16th March 1877 DEATH. Singer.— On 16th March, at Wellington, Stanley William Singer, son of Mr. W. Singer, schoolmaster, Pahautanui, aged 21 years.

27th July 1877 Wellington Education Board Fourth year over 16 Pupil Teacher examination Lucilla Singer Pahautanui passed

6th August 1878 Wellington Education Board Third year over 115 Pupil Teacher examination Isabella Boulton Pahautanui passed

29th August 1878 PAHAUTANUI BOROUGH SCHOOL. A deputation of settlers in the district of Pahautanui asked the Board to erect a school about two and a-half miles from Pahautanui It was explained that the application had been made about twelve months ago, when the Inspector was instructed to visit the locality and report upon it. This had been done,

and as the now Act had become law, the question had been entertained by the Pahautanui School Committee and they recommended that the school should be erected. The Inspector stated that since he had visited the place he had learnt that Mr. Abbott, who had promised the land, had withdrawn it, and that the matter now remains in statu quo. The deputation explained that the subject had been discussed at a meeting of settlers, at which Mr. Abbott said he would sell them the land if the Board agreed to purchase it. The school would only take away about ten children from Pahautanui school, where there were about 50 children. The inspector pointed out that it would be necessary to have an average attendance of 25 children before the Board could render any assistance. The Board promised to take the matter into their consideration, and the deputation withdrew. [This may have become the Judgeford School]

2nd November 1878 Wellington Education Board The Board authorised £8 to be expended for repairing the fencing of the Pahautanui school. [£8 in 1878 is worth \$1327.89 in September 2020 terms]

31st December 1878 PAHAUTANUI SCHOOL TREAT.

(from our own correspondent.) The annual tea meeting for the Pahautanui school children was held on Boxing Day. The arrangements were made by the local committee, who did all in their power to make the day pass off pleasantly. The teacher and the Horokiwi Valley school children were invited, and also Mr. Toomath, a member of the Education Board. Over 100 children sat down to a very excellent tea, which was supplied by Mr. Fred Bills, and after they had left the table their places were taken by the parents and friends of the children, who assembled in great numbers. The Pahautanui brass band was on the ground, and played several lively airs, which tended to enliven the scene. The room was decorated with evergreens and flowers and flags. There was also a banner with an inscription, which was tastefully executed by Mr. Singer, the master of the Pahautanui school. The inscription was as follows:—"Welcome Horokiwi; and to all a merry Christmas and a happy new year." After the tea was over the great point of attraction was a Christmas-tree at one end of the building, which was decorated and loaded with presents for the children. These presents consisted of many useful and ornamental articles, which were made and provided by some of the parents and friends of the children, who deserve praise and thanks for their kindness. The day passed off very agreeably, and the party broke up about seven o'clock in the evening.

28th February 1879 The annual tea meeting of the Horokiwi Valley school came off on January 21st. 1879 The children and teachers from the Pahautanui school were invited, also

29th January 1880 Wellington Education Board An account for repairs to the teacher's residence at Pahautanui was referred to the local committee

3rd April 1880 Wellington Education Board Mr. G. S. Goldfinch wrote a lengthy letter on the subject of repairs to the school and master's residence at Pahautanui, and complained of the conduct of Mr. Toomath, who, he said, had authorised the expenditure of certain moneys, and then in his place on the Board directed the charges to be made against the local committee. The reading of the letter caused great amusement. The subject was not dealt with.

10th April 1880 Inspector Lee's report included. Of the 18 Country Schools, that at Waihenga [Martinborough] is best taught. The new schools at Mungaroa, Judgeford, and Park Vale are all in good hands. Tawa, Pahautanui, Fernridge, and Matarawa continue to do

creditable work ; Karori, Makara, and Johnsonville schools are less creditable. The condition of the 18 country schools is thus stated :—Good, 3 ; satisfactory, 10 ; unsatisfactory, 3.

7th August 1880 Wellington Education Board The Pahautanui local committee drew the attention of the Board to the state of the furniture in the local school and applied to have it replaced. The inspector reported that the furniture was in a very bad state. There being no funds the secretary was instructed to reply that the Board could do nothing in the matter at present.

12th August 1880 Wellington Education Board Pupil Teacher's List for 1880 included Pahautanui First Year (Over 13 years of age) Jessie Singer [Registered as Jessy Eliza born 1866]

25th August 1880 A petition was received from Pahautanui requesting the removal of the master, Mr. Stringer, on the ground that the teaching was not satisfactory. The local committee also recommended a change. The Inspector said he looked upon Mr. Stringer as a satisfactory teacher. It was resolved to reply that the Board did not see any necessity for the immediate removal

17th September 1880 A public meeting was held in the schoolroom at Pahautanui, on Wednesday evening ' last, Mr. Lennie in the chair.

The meeting was called by Mr. Goldfinch, the chairman of the local school committee, in order that the public might consider the reply which he had received from the Education Board with reference to a petition which had been sent by some of the settlers to the Board, asking for the removal of Mr. Singer, the teacher, on the plea that he was not making satisfactory progress in teaching the children.

The reply from Mr. Lee, the Inspector of Schools, was that the matter had been brought before the Board, and they did not think it necessary to make the change requested, as they were satisfied with Mr. Singer's efficiency as a teacher.

The Chairman then called upon those who wished to speak to address the meeting.

Mr. Boulton said he was not satisfied with Mr. Singer, and he had taken one child from the school because Mr. Singer had told her to go home, and he hoped he should never see her there again. He had afterwards taken two others away to keep her company and sent them to the school in the small farms. [Judgeford]

Mr. R. Smith thought that parents should do their best to get a good education for their children. He had come there expecting to hear some charge brought against Mr. Singer, but he found there was none. He considered that the committee should have been prepared with some charges against the teacher, so that the public might be made acquainted with them. He also wished to know if the teacher had been invited to attend the meeting . He was no admirer of Mr. Singer, but he considered that an opportunity should have been given to the teacher of hearing the complaints brought against him ; he ought not to be condemned without a chance of defending himself, in fact, it was a right that every Englishman was entitled to,

Mr. Pearce endorsed the opinions of Mr. Smith and considered that the committee should have invited Mr. Singer to meet them, and if he could not give a satisfactory answer, it would then be time to bring the matter before the Board. He was sorry that these charges had been made, because, so far as he could understand, it was not entirely owing to the fault of the teacher, but because some person had an ill-feeling towards him, and it was done out of spite. Mr. Singer might deserve blame for some things, but he should be very sorry to hear of his

removal, as he had always done his best to promote the interests of the place by imparting religious instruction to the rising generation. There was no clergyman here, and Mr. Singer kindly supplied that want on the Sabbath, and it was better for their children to go to church of a Sunday instead of running wild.

Mr. Frederick Brady asked the chairman of committee to refer to the minute-book and see what charges had previously been made against the teacher. One charge was read by the chairman, but the majority of the meeting considered that previous charges had nothing to do with the business of the present meeting.

Mr. James Toomath said that Mr. Singer held good certificates, and was a good scholar, and if the children were not making satisfactory progress, it was owing more to their irregular attendance than any fault of the teacher. He considered that Mr. Singer had not been well treated by the committee, as it appeared he had not been made aware of the petition to the Board asking for his removal until the day it was posted.

Mr. Frederick Brady said that Mr. Singer might be a good scholar and hold good certificates, but he was not energetic enough, and the children were not making the progress that they ought to do. One of his children had come home with good marks on his book and said he had not been taught his lessons at all. Now, if that was the case, what was the use of sending the children. He considered it was time wasted, and he should do all he could to get Mr. Singer removed, so that a better man might be put in his place.

Mr. Charles Smith said he believed that this charge against Mr. Singer originated more out of spite than anything else, and he asked Mr. Frederick Bradey if he could conscientiously say that he had not been prompted by ill feeling towards Mr. Singer in agitating this movement. Mr. Bradey said that he had no animosity towards Mr. Singer. It was simply because he was anxious for his children's benefit.

Mr. Boulton then proposed the following resolution, —That it is the opinion of this meeting that a change in the teacher of this school is absolutely necessary, and that we strongly recommend the Board of Education to supply the change as soon as possible.

Mr. R Smith thought this ought to have been done long ago ; the school had been going back for some time ; but so long as the teacher could satisfy Mr. Lee, he would not listen to the public.

Mr. Francis Bradey proposed an amendment, —That this meeting do adjourn until Wednesday evening next, and that Mr. Singer be invited to attend the meeting, in order that he might have an opportunity of answering the charges brought against him, as he considered he had not been properly treated by the committee in this matter. ‘

The meeting then divided, with the following result : —For the amendment, 10 ; the original proposition, 15.

21st September 1880 PAHAUTANUI SCHOOL AFFAIRS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW ZEALAND TIMES.

Sir,—Your correspondent is by no means fair in his report of the meeting held in the school-room, Pahautanui, on Wednesday last, Mr. Pearce not only complained of his children's schooling, but said that he had told Mr. Singer, some time back, that he thought a change in teacher would do good, and when he (Mr. Pearce) spoke of Mr. Singer as a clergyman, he fairly put his foot into it. I was asked how many charges had been brought against him, and to read from the minute book. I said I had hoped that matters could be arranged without going

over the old ground; be it understood, then, that the charges were mostly old ones, had been investigated by the committee when Mr. Singer was present, and the fact of the Education Board not being made acquainted with them at the time, will perhaps prove that the committee were by no means hard with Mr. Singer, However, there positively was no peace with the meeting until matters were to some extent explained. Mr. R, Smith gave the particulars of one case that he had brought before the committee, and I gave an account of another, finishing with the remark that I hoped “ that would suffice,” but here your correspondent is silent. It must be rather tantalizing to those who take an interest in school matters to read so much about “ the charges ” without knowing what they consist of. Apologising for going rather out of my course.—

I am, &c., G. L. Goldfinch, Chairman School Committee. Pahautanui, 18th Sept., 1880.

27th September 1880 PAHAUTANUI SCHOOL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW ZEALAND TIMES. Sir, —In your issue of the 21st last., Mr. G. L. Goldfinch says :—Your correspondent is by no means fair in his report of the meeting held in the schoolroom, Pahautanui, on Wednesday last, and accuses me of not reporting Mr. Pearce's speech fairly. I beg to remind Mr. Goldfinch that a correspondent is not expected to report every word that falls from the mouths of speakers at meetings of this description, so long as he gives the substance of what is said in a fair and impartial manner, it is all that can be expected of him. As regards Mr. Pearce's speech, if anyone thinks it worth the trouble they will see that I reported him as saying that “Mr. Singer might deserve blame for some things. I also remember Mr. Pearce saying that his children brought complaints home about the teacher sometimes, but he had found that it did not do always to listen to children's reports.

Mr. Goldfinch also accused me of being silent with regard to previous charges brought against Mr. Singer. Again, I refer to my report where I say, “ That one charge was read by the Chairman, but the majority of the meeting considered that previous charges had nothing to do with the business of the present meeting.” If Mr. Goldfinch considers these charges to be of such a grave nature, how is it that he did not report them to the Education Board at the time ? He admits they had been condoned; therefore they should not have been raked up again ; at all events I did not consider it my duty under the circumstances to say what the charges were. And now, perhaps, Mr. Goldfinch will allow me to remind him that if I was silent on one side, and I deny being so unfairly, I was also silent on some matters that were said and done by some of those who supported his side. There was one instance when a person wished to speak in Mr. Singer's favor, but he could not be heard for more than a minute, for the stamping and noise that was made by the opposition. No attempt was made by Mr. Goldfinch or his party to check this unfair action, but at last a fair hearing was demanded for both sides by some of Mr. Singer's supporters. Another thing said by one of Mr. Goldfinch's side was, “That so long as Mr. Toomath and Mr. Lee pulled together there was no chance of getting Mr. Singer out.” One more instance, another speaker said, “ That it was no use for the public to complain to Mr, Lee, because that gentleman would put his thumbs in the armholes of his waistcoat, and stick his nose up in the air, and would not listen to them.” I think the mere fact of omitting these bitter sayings in my report ought to be sufficient to shew Mr. Goldfinch, and the public also, that I reported fairly, but in case it does not, I would remind Mr. Goldfinch of a meeting that was held about twelve months ago, respecting the West Coast

railway, which I reported. There was one portion of a speech that had been made which Mr. Goldfinch considered would be detrimental to the railway coming through Pahautanui, and wished me to alter it, as it would have a damaging effect upon the deputation which was to wait on the Government the day following. I refused to do so, on the plea that the statement had been made, and it was my duty to report fairly on both sides. He admitted the fact of it being said but did not consider I need be so particular. This should shew what Mr. Goldfinch's idea of a fair report is. It appears if it is made to suit his side of the matter it is fair. This report was sent in, and will it be believed, two of the deputation, knowing my objection to it, waited upon the then manager of the paper, before it was printed, and induced him to alter it. I do not blame the manager of the paper in the least for the part he took in it, as he afterwards clearly explained to me that he was misled in the matter. And it is one of these men who is the principal agitator in trying to get Mr. Singer removed. It is my opinion, and also the opinion of a good many in the district, that Mr. Singer has been badly treated by the members of the committee who took part in this matter, as no opportunity was given him of rebutting any charges, but the petition asking for his removal was quietly prepared and posted before he was made aware of it.—I am, &c., Your Correspondent.

29th September 1880 New Zealand Times: We have received further correspondence concerning Pahautanui School affairs, which it is not at all desirable to publish. Certain residents in that locality have chosen to differ upon topics not at all clear, and of no degree of interest, to the outside public, and rather unadvisedly they seek to carry on their fit quoque style of argument in print. We have found room for three communications on the subject already, and this must suffice.

2nd October 1881 Wellington Education Board: A letter signed by a number of residents at Pahautanui, was received, in which they asked that the services of the local master, Mr. Singer, might be retained

9th December 1880 A special meeting of the Pahautanui School Committee was held in the school-room on Tuesday evening, the business being to report upon an application made to the Education Board to constitute the Judgeford (small farm settlement) into a separate school district. Mr. G. L. Goldfinch, the chairman of the committee, said he thought the best thing they could do was to support a division of the district, both schools would then have a committee of settlers close home, and as far as the Pahautanui school was concerned it would be advantageous in other respects. The committee apparently took the same view, as a resolution recommending the change was carried unanimously.

25th December 1880 An. extended leave of six weeks from February 1, was granted to Mr. Connell, teacher at Pahautanui, to allow him to go to Melbourne, the person acting for him while away to take his pay. [Mr Connell was actually teacher at Horokiwi not Pahautanui]

1881-1884

1881	38	Pahautanui	Hansard	Charles J		Master	£150.00
1882	43	Pahautanui	Hansard	Charles J		Master	£170.00
1882	43	Pahautanui	Boulton	Annie		Female Pupil Teacher	£16.00
1883	43	Pahautanui	Hansard	Charles J		Master	£190.00
1883	43	Pahautanui	Boulton	Annie		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1884	43	Pahautanui	Hansard	Charles J		Master	£170.00
1884	43	Pahautanui	Stuart	Livinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00

Charles J Hansard Started teaching for Wellington Education Board in 1881 and finished in 1884 and didn't teach for the Wellington Education Board again. In 1880 the Hansards were teaching together at Clive south of Napier. In 1885 he was teaching at Waimangaroa for the Nelson Education Board just North of Westport with Mrs Hansard his assistant. Mr and Mrs Hansard were also the first teachers at the Waverley School North of Wanganui

Annie Boulton only taught as a Pupil Teacher for the Wellington Education Board at Pahautanui

Livinia Stuart taught at Pahautanui from 1884 to 1888. Mount Cooks Boys in 1889 and 1890 (resigned 29th May 1891) and back to Pahautanui from 1891 to 1893 always as a pupil teacher. Lavinia Stuart went to the Judgeford School as a pupil.

13th January 1881 THE PAHAUTANUI SCHOOL DIFFICULTIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EVENING POST. Sir — Will you oblige by inserting in your paper the few following facts in connection with the Pahautanui school officers, as a very strong feeling exists in the district that either the Inspector or the Education Board have not given that due consideration to the case that the matter requires. In as few words as possible, I will explain how matters stand. 1st. The committee receive a petition from parents, representing three- fourths of the children attending the school, asking for assistance in getting a change of teacher, as the one in charge did not give . satisfaction ; 2nd. The committee, seeing the necessity for the change, recommended ; the Board to grant it ; 3rd. The Inspector ' expresses himself satisfied with the teacher, ' and the Board refuse the application ; 4th. A public meeting of householders in the school district is called to consider the matter, the result being that the meeting confirmed what the committee had done by passing the following resolution, namely, ' This meeting is of opinion that a change of teacher for the Pahautanui school is necessary and recommend the Board of Education to grant it as soon as possible.' I have only to add that the average attendance at the school now is fifteen ; it should be near fifty. I may also state that a counter petition was forwarded to the Board, asking that the services of the teacher might be retained, but it contained only three names of parents who had children to send to school.

I am, &c , One of the School Committee. ,'

25th January 1881 PAHAUTANUI. The annual election meeting for this district was presided over by Mr. F. Bradey, and there was a large attendance of householders. The report of the retiring committee showed that there had been a great falling off in the attendance of scholars, the present average being 12 or 15. as compared with 50 some time ago. The committee therefore strongly recommended a change of teachers. There was a balance in hand of about .£30. The newly-elected committee are as follows :— Messrs. Frederick Bradey, E. Boulton, W. Tappin, J. London, G. Jones, A. Iggulden, and J. Pearce. Mr. Tappin was afterwards elected chairman of the committee, and Mr. Bradey treasurer

17th February 1881 PAHAUTANUI.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.] The newly-elected Committee of Pahautanui held their first meeting: in the school-room of that district on Tuesday evening last. The report of the old committee recommended a change of teacher, and by the new committee the following resolutions were carried by five votes : — "That as the question of a change of teacher has occupied the mind of the settlers for some time, and as this committee considers it to be one of vital importance to the district, we consider ourselves in duty bound to give expression to

our opinion upon the subject at- the- earliest opportunity. We therefore strongly recommend the Board of Education to grant a change- of teacher for the Pahautanui School as soon as possible." " That the Chairman be requested to forward a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Chairman of the Board, and to state at the same time that we find ourselves in a false position, as five of the committee have families and not one of their children attend the school." " That the present average attendance is only 12 or 15, whereas if a change of teacher were granted over 50 children would attend the school." A deputation from the committee, consisting of Messrs. F. Bradey, E. Boulton, W. Tappin, J. London, and A. Iggulden was appointed to wait upon the Board of Education concerning the matter.

12th March 1881 What in the world is all this rumpus about the Pahautanui school ? It appears to me to be a sort of Montague-Capulet arrangement, a feud between a couple of “ houses,” not quite so aristocratic as those above mentioned but quite as crochety. Well may the people say a plague on both of them, albeit though one seems to be worse than the other. Religion, too, is mixed up in it. Because one young lady made a mistake in giving out hymns or something of the kind, and was told of it, her “ parent” became enraged or deranged—it does not matter which as it is difficult to tell t’other from it”.—and forthwith proceeded to take it out of the schoolmaster. Fie, good people, fie, bury your miserable little hatchets, do, and strive to live at peace with each other !

28th April 1881 Wellington Education Board Correspondence was read from the Masterton and Pahautanui School Committees.....The enquiry of the Pahautanui Committee as to a change in the mastership there, was referred to Mr. Lee, the Inspector, to deal with.

11th May 1881 On Sunday evening last Mr. Singer, who has for some time past occupied the post of master in the Pahautanui State School and who was also a local preacher, delivered his farewell service in the local chapel. On the following evening a number of his friends met him and his family in the chapel and presented him with a testimonial consisting of a time piece covered with a glass bell and bearing the words “ Presented to Mr. Wm. Singer by the settlers of Pahautanui as a token of their esteem, May 9th, 1881,” and also with an appropriate address. Messrs. Pearce and F. Brady acted as spokesmen. Mr. Singer expressed his gratification at the marks of esteem shown him and his family, and in return wished his friends prosperity and happiness in the future.

12th May 1881 The mastership of the Pahautanui School having become vacant through the removal of Mr. Singer, the Education Board invites applications for the position

12th May 1881 . Mr. James Pearce, who acted as spokesman on the occasion of the recent presentation to Mr. Singer, of Pahautanui, writes to say that our correspondent was in error in stating that regret was expressed by those making the presentation that so few heads of families signed the address. No such statement was made, and, as a fact, out of 91 signatures, 41 were those of heads of families. In justice to our correspondent, we should say that his report was somewhat condensed in the office, and that the full report would bear the construction that the regret was felt rather than openly expressed,

25th May 1881 Wellington Education Board Mr. Hansard was appointed master of the Pahautanui School. An account was received from Mr. Singer, late master of the Pahautanui School, for .£16 4s, expenses of removal of himself and family to Kaiwairai. The Board decided to pay half the amount.

30th June 1881 Wellington Education Board Mr. Singer, late of the Pahautanui school, in reply to a letter from the Board's secretary stated that the few fruit trees complained of as having been removed by him were his own property

1st November 1881 On Friday last the annual school treat took place at the Judgeford School The children of the Pahautanui and Horokiwi schools were invited to join, and altogether exactly one hundred sat down to tea. Afterwards, nearly as many of the parents and other settlers attended.....

22nd December 1881 Wellington Education Board The sum of £2 11s was voted to the Pahautanui School Committee, in addition to a previous vote of £12 granted by the Board, for repairs to buildings, a contract having been let for £14 11s on account of that work.

25th January 1882 PAUAUTANUI SCHOOL. At the School Committee election last night, at Pahautanui, the following gentlemen were elected a committee : — Messrs. W. Tappen, F. Brady, E. Boulton, A. Iggulden, J. Pearce, G. Jones, and J. London. Mr. Tappen was re-elected Chairman, and Mr. Fred Brady Treasurer. The report says that since Mr. Hansard has been in charge the school has increased from 25 to 57. The new committee nominated the Hon. R. Johnson and Mr. Mason as candidates for seats in the Education Board.

27th January 1882 Miss Bolton [Boulton] appointed pupil teacher. The only applicant.

13th April 1882 The Inspector's report for 1881 good work was done at Pahautanui

11th August 1882 Pupil Teacher examination second year over 14 years old Annie Boulton passed

25th October 1882 Wellington Education Board The Pahautanui School Committee applied for funds to erect a teacher's new residence, the existing one being damp, old and dilapidated. The application was referred to the Inspector for report.

25th January 1883 PAHAUTANUI SCHOOL. According to notice, a meeting was held in the Pahautanui School-room on Tuesday evening last for the purpose of electing a local committee for the ensuing year. There were only nine settlers present, and six of them were the members of the old committee. The Chairman of Committee read a report and balance-sheet, showing the transactions of the past year. The receipts from all sources were £40 15s 5d, and the expenditure £36 14s 4d, leaving a balance of £4 1s 0 1/2 d. The following gentlemen were elected as a committee for the ensuing year :—Fred, Bradey (chairman), J. Pearce (treasurer), J. Loudon, A. Iggulden, A. Bradey, E. Boulton, G. Jones.

31st January 1883 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui new residence £250

9th April 1883 A tea meeting was held in the Horokiwi Valley Schoolroom on Thursday last. The children and teachers of the Pahautanui School and the small Farms School were invited. Altogether there were 96 children and about 60 adults, the parents and friends of the children, who sat down to an excellent tea, which was provided by Mr Lennie, of Pahautanui. During the day rural sports were held in a small paddock adjoining the school, which was kindly lent for the occasion by , Mr Smith, and the children were delighted with the prizes they won. There was also a Christmas tree, loaded with presents for the children, which (the presents) were provided by the ladies of the valley.....

18th April 1883 Inspector Lee's report on Wellington Education Board schools included The weakest of the country schools are those at Porirua, Pahautanui and Mangaroa, in all of which much better work should be looked for.

31st May 1883 Wellington Education Board Mr R. Smith, Chairman of the Horokiwi School Committee, waited on the Board, and urged that the local school should not be closed as was proposed by the Board. The school had been in existence for upwards of twenty-two years, and some of the children who now attended it had to travel a distance of eight miles every day. It would be simply impossible for them to attend the Pahautanui School, which was four miles off, as had been suggested. He had reason to believe that the number of children would soon go up to what it was some time ago. He did not think that the compulsory clauses of the Education Act would cause an increase in the attendance, as most of the children lived a distance of three miles from the school. The Chairman stated that the Board did not wish to close the school. After some discussion, it was resolved not to close the school, but to appoint a female teacher in room of Mr Cornell, who had been removed to one of the city schools.

18th June 1883 A pleasing ceremony took place in the school-room, Pahautanui, on Tuesday evening last. The occasion was the presentation of a tea and coffee service to Mr W. F. Connell, who has been schoolmaster of the Horokiwi Valley School for the past six years, and who has recently been appointed assistant teacher in the To Aro School.....

27th June 1883 Wellington Education Board . A letter was read from the Pahautanui Committee asking that something should be done in reference to the teacher's residence. On the motion of Dr. Newman it was agreed to have plans prepared by next meeting.

28th July 1883 Wellington Education Board Plans were approved of for a teacher's house at Pahautanui

29th August 1883 Wellington Education Board Mr. F. Bradey attended as a deputation from Pahautanui, and, at his request, the Board agreed to erect a tank, and sanction a change of site for the teacher's residence

12th September 1883 Wellington Education Board Tender Let Pahautanui teacher's residence Thos. Orr £271

28th November 1883 Wellington Education Board Annie Boulton pupil teacher resigns

29th January 1884 PAHAUTANUI. The meeting of householders in this district was presided over by Mr. H. London. The following committee were elected :— Messrs. F. Bradey (chairman), A. Iggulden (treasurer), S. London, E. Boulton, H. Harris, G. Carter, and H. London.

27th February 1884 Wellington Education Board Miss Stewart [Stuart] appointed to Pahautanui.

8th August 1884 In a list of all Wellington Education Board Pupil teachers was First Year (Over 15 years) Lavina Stuart Pahautanui

29th October 1884 Wellington Education Board The Board decided to inform the Pahautanui Committee that the land attached to the teacher's residence practically belonged to the master, and could not be let for grazing purposes, as suggested

30th October 1884 Wellington Education Board The Pahautanui Committee applied for permission to use a piece of land attached to the teacher's residence. It was, however, resolved to inform them that the land belonged to the residence, and consequently to the teacher.

1885-1888

1885	47	Pahautanui	Flux	George		Male	£180.00	
1885	47	Pahautanui	Stuart	Livinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 20.00	
1885	47	Pahautanui	Flux	Mary		Sewing	£5.00	
1886	59	Pahautanui	Flux	George		Head Master	£210.00	
1886	59	Pahautanui	Stuart	Livinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00	
1886	59	Pahautanui	Flux	Mary		Sewing	£5.00	
1887	50	Pahautanui	Flux	George		Head Master	£210.00	
1887	50	Pahautanui	Stuart	Livinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00	
1887	50	Pahautanui	Flux	Mary		Sewing	£5.00	
1888	52	Pahautanui	Flux	George		Head Master	£185.00	
1888	52	Pahautanui	Stuart	Livinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£35.00	

George Flux Arriving from England In 1884 Geo Flux started teaching for the Wellington Education Board at Judgeford, From 1885 to 1888 he was at Pahautanui. Then in 1889 he was at Clareville just North of Carterton. In 1891 he was head of Greytown School. In 1896 he was appointed as headmaster of Rintoul Street School and in 1904 transferred to headmaster of the South Wellington School where he finished his Wellington Education Board teaching in 1916

30th January 1885 Wellington Education Board Complaints having been made against the schoolmaster at Pahautanui, it was decided to caution that official.

20th February 1885 The Horokiwi School Committee have invited the children of the Pahautanui and Judgeford Schools to a treat at Mr. Blackey's place at Horokiwi Valley on Wednesday next, 25th inst

25th February 1885 Wellington Education Board . The Pahautanui Committee applied for a grant to enable them to gravel the school grounds. Granted

26th February 1885 Wellington Education Board Repairs asked for at Pahautanui were ordered to stand over

27th May 1885 Wellington Education Board The Board decided to give three months' notice to the teacher at Pahautanui.

24th June 1885 Wellington Education Board . The Chairman was empowered to communicate with the Pahautanui School Committee relative to the appointment of a teacher for the school.

10th July 1885 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui Master Salary £170 and house

29th July 1885 Wellington Education Board The Board decided to vote £8 for some water-closets [Flushing Toilets] at Pahautanui, the work to be corned out according to the architect's instructions.

30th July 1885 Wellington Education Board Mr George Flux appointed.

31st July 1885 Wellington Education Board The Board decided to vote £8 for latrines [toilets] for the school at Pahautanui, the work to be carried out according to the architect's instructions.

26th August 1885 Wellington Education Board The wife of the teacher at Pahautanui was appointed sewing mistress... Grants for offices [toilets where you go to do your business] were agreed to for. Waihenga School, and also for Pahautanui.

16th October 1885 Wellington Exhibition at Rongotai: About 450 children from the Wairarapa Schools, and 150 to 200 from the Pahautanui, Porirua, Tawa Flat, and Johnsonville Schools visited the Exhibition. The children, who appeared well pleased, were entertained by Messrs Seager and Keyworth, who gave a capital exhibition of their limelight views.

28th October 1885 71 per cent of children passed their examination by inspector Lee to be promoted to the next standard [about average pass rate]

8th January 1886 . Last week a very successful entertainment was given at Pahautanui in connection with the breaking up of the public school. Mr Flux, the teacher, had arranged a very good programme. During the evening several ladies and gentlemen, including the Misses Boulton, Miss Stace, Mr Flux, Mr Sinclair, and others contributed some excellent songs, their efforts being much appreciated by the visitors present. Mr and Mrs Flux provided a Christmas tree, which greatly delighted the children, and the Pahautanui Band kindly played several selections. At the conclusion Mr Flux thanked the parents present for the sympathy they had shown in the work of the school and said that teachers required some such sympathy to encourage them in their work. A dance in aid of the prize fund concluded a very enjoyable evening.

29th April 1886 At a meeting of householders in the Pahautanui district, held on Tuesday evening, the following gentlemen were elected the School Committee for the ensuing year :— Messrs. W. Stace, Charles Carter, James London, F. A. Death, J. B. Robertson, H. Harris, and A. Brady. Mr. F. A. Death was elected Chairman, and Mr. J. B. Robertson Treasurer.

28th July 1886 Wellington Education Board The Board voted £5 for repairs to the Pahautanui School.

29th April 1887 PAHAUTANUI. The annual meeting of the householders of the Pahautanui School was held on the 25th inst, when the following gentlemen were elected the committee for the ensuing twelve months :—Messrs J. Loudon, F. A. Death, A. Iggulden, G. H. Taylor, W. N. Stace, and C. Carter. Mr F. A. Death was elected chairman, and Mr B. Robinson, treasurer.

25th May 1887 Wellington Education Board Messrs. Death, Iggleton, and Taylor waited upon the Board to urge the claim of the Pahautanui district to a new school. The deputation described the present building as the worst of the Board's properties in the western portion of the district . It was erected as a barracks about 1860, and was now in snob, a state of repair that parents would not send their children in wet weather to such a beastly draughty place. Mr. Young bore testimony to the serious nature of the disabilities under which the school was carried on. The Chairman undertook that if the Board received a building grant next year Pahautanui should have a first claim upon it.

30th June 1887 We have to thank our Pahautanui correspondent for the following :— The Jubilee Ball held at Pahautanui on Tuesday night last, in aid of the School Library, was a pronounced success in spite of the exceedingly stormy state of the weather. About 60 couples were present. This success is to be attributed to the unmistakably hearty way with which everybody entered into the spirit of the thing. The object is an undeniably Worthy one, and Mr. Flux, the head teacher, must be congratulated upon being loyally backed up in his efforts to keep the children of the district apace with the times. First and foremost must be placed the ladies who provided so liberally for the inner wants of those present. Indeed, so liberally had

they made provision that had thrice the number been present there would have been enough and to spare. Looking at the huge piles of eatables and drinkables, one was tempted to doubt the existence of the hard "times said to be so prevalent. At an impromptu meeting of the ladies it was decided to invite all the children in the surrounding district, irrespective of school, to a spread in the school at 2 o'clock on Thursday, the 30th inst., to dispose of the good things and enjoy a few games under cover. It would be difficult to award too much praise to the Pahautanui Band and others who came forward to give the matter a right good helping hand. Although the main object of the gathering was as given above, yet it afforded an opportunity for the display of loyalty. During the evening copies of " God Save the Queen " were distributed, and* although the time-honoured anthem has many a time been given under grander surroundings, it was never more loyally rendered than by those present on Tuesday night, the 49th anniversary of her Majesty's coronation. The tasteful decoration of the room also partook largely of the same loyal character. As soon as a statement of receipts and expenditure can be audited by the School Committee, it will be published for the information of all concerned.

1st July 1888 One of the most successful balls ever held at Pahautanui, took place last evening- in honor of the Queen's Jubilee, for the benefit of a school library fund. Great credit is due to the committee of ladies for the tasteful manner in which the hall was decorated, also for the refreshments which were furnished by the ladies generally. The music, which ~ was furnished by the Pahautanui band and local amateurs, was all that could be desired. At 12 o'clock the National Anthem was sung en masse, after which a hearty vote of thanks was voted to the ladies, which ended a most enjoyable/ evening. The proceeds were close on £12

1889-1892

1889	56	Pahautanui	Bary	Charles		Head Male	£165.00	
1889	56	Pahautanui	Taylor	Francis		Male Pupil teacher	£15.00	
1889	56	Pahautanui	London	Matilda Ann		Sewing	£5.00	
1890	53	Pahautanui	Macgregor	Angus		Head Male	£205.00	
1890	53	Pahautanui	Taylor	Francis		Male Pupil teacher	£25.00	
1890	53	Pahautanui	London	Matilda Ann		Sewing	£5.00	
1891	43	Pahautanui	Macgregor	Angus		Head Male	£185.00	
1891	43	Pahautanui	Stuart	Lavinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 40.00	
1891	43	Pahautanui	Pearse	Ada		Sewing	£5.00	
1892	37	Pahautanui	Macgregor	Angus		Head Male	£185.00	
1892	37	Pahautanui	Stuart	Lavinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£40.00	
1892	37	Pahautanui	Pearse	Ada		Sewing	£5.00	

Charles Bary Charles Bary had a long teaching career

1881-1883 Blenheim Lower Boys' school for the Marlborough Education Board

1884-1888 Newtown Wellington as assistant master

1889 Pahautanui

1890-1901 Newtown as assistant male

1902-1909 Roseneath Wellington Head Master

1910-1921 Mt Cook Boys' Head Master with attendance of 325 in 1921

1923- 1927 Berhampore with attendance 1923

14th August 1934 The death of Mr. Charles Bary formerly a well-known and highly-respected headmaster, of primary schools in Wellington, occurred at his residence in Hataitai today. ; , . "When He retired on superannuation at the end of 1927 the late Mr. Bary had, completed 5 years in the education service, during most of which time he was in Wellington. Born in the South Island in 1863, he, commenced his career ,as a pupil, teacher at Renwick; Marlborough , in September, 1877. After four years he was transferred to the Blenheim School and, after another four years, he came to Newtown as second assistant. . Five years. later he was temporarily transferred ,to the headmastership at Pahautanui, but a petition by the parents resulted, in his return to Newtown as first assistant master. He occupied that position for three years, and was then appointed headmaster at Roseneath School, subsequently placing in charge of the Mount Cook and Berhampore Schools, the last five years of. his service, being at the latter' institution. As an example of Mr. Bary 's qualities-as a master.it can be mentioned that 149' boys who had been placed on probation in the Magistrate's Court afterwards passed through, his hands and without exception,: they" all grew up to be respectable citizens. Many of his old scholars later occupied prominent positions and one became Professor J. Smith, of Manchester University. In his younger days Mr. Bary took an active part in cricket, football, shooting, yachting, and athletics. He played for the Wellington and Poneke rugby Clubs. As one of the crack shots of the old Wellington Guards, : and later of the D Battery, he competed in the Now Zealand rifle championships. In his later years he was a keen bowler, being a member of the Wellington and Victoria Clubs, and secretary of the former club for some time.- Ho won the North Island championship singles in 1906, and one year his rink lost the final of the New Zealand rink championship by only one point. -He was an active member of the Wellington Competitions Society almost from its conception

Mr Bary "was married at Wellington in 1888, there -being two daughters of the marriage. - - ' The- funeral will leave Mr. Bary's late residence, 28 Waitoa Road, Hataitai, on Thursday-afternoon for the Karori Cemetery.

Francis Taylor was a pupil teacher at Pahautanui in 1889 and 1890 and in 1891 was a pupil teacher at the Hutt school

Angus MacGregor only taught for the Wellington Education Board at Pahautanui

Note: The timing fits in and this is the only Angus McGregor listed as teaching for the Wellington Education Board

2nd November 1896 We regret to report that My. Angus MacGregor, M.A., formerly Parliamentary Librarian, was found dead in bed at his lodgings in Cuba-street this morning. He was last seen alive about 11 o'clock last night. The cause of death was heart disease.

The deceased was a native of Perthshire. His brothers were all distinguished clergymen. One succeeded to the famed church of Ferntosh, and was there successor of the great Highland preacher, Dr. McDonald; and another (Rev. D. Julius MacGregor) was successor to ' the Rev. Mr. Chyne in Dundee ; while another is a leading clergyman in Glasgow. "All the family were famed scholars. Mr. Angus MacGregor had a distinguished career at the University of Edinburgh. He was at one time the minister of the Glebe Church in Melbourne and was afterwards rector of the Invercargill Grammar School. He also had for some years a private academy in Dunedin. For some time he was teacher under the Wellington Education

Board,- but more recently he had been acting as a University coach. The deceased, who was of a genial disposition, was a widower, and leaves three children to mourn their loss

3rd January 1889 The Pahautanui school picnic to Plimmerton will take place on Saturday. Those intending to be present must be at Paremata . not later than 11 o'clock . Conveyances will leave Pahautanui at 10.15, and a large attendance of school children and other friends is anticipated.

25th April 1889 School Committee Messrs. F. A. Death (Chairman), F. Brady (Treasurer), W. Stace, J. London, A. Brady, A. Iggulden, and Jas. Pearce were duly returned by the Pahautanui householders

29th May 1889 Pahautanui Wellington School Committee Mrs London appointed sewing teacher

28th August 1889 Wellington Education Board Additional grants for building of shelter sheds for schools at Pahautanui, Parkvale, and Porirua, with repairs at the latter school were agreed to.

27th September 1889 Inspector Lee's report include: Additional grants for building of shelter sheds for schools at Pahautanui, Parkvale, and Porirua, with repairs at the latter school , were agreed to.

29th January 1890 The attention of the Board of Education was directed this morning to the fact that during the past five years Eleanor Jones, a pupil of the Pahautanui School, has missed attendance from her lessons for one half-day only, although she has had to walk a distance of four miles over hills. The Secretary was instructed to write congratulating the girl on her splendid record.

13th February 1890 [Note Mr Canavan taught at Porirua School from 1884 to 1889 I am certain he was not at Pahautanui] It will be remembered that, acting on an unfavourable report from the Inspector, the Education Board recently removed Mr. E. OH. Canovan, the teacher of the Pahautanui School, without consulting the School Committee, and regardless of their remonstrance?. Mr. Canovan has no >v, through his solicitor?, Messrs. Monteath and Staveley, demanded substantial compensation for the injury sustained by the Board, " in defiance of law and without reference to the School Committee (who are entitled to consideration), and in defiance of the protests of the Committee and the request that before taking action the Board would submit the condition of the school to a tent which should be beyond suspicion of partiality," compelling his removal Prom the school. Unless substantial compensation is made within two days, and an opportunity afforded Mr. Canovan of vindicating his character and qualifications,

6th May 1890 Mr. A. Macgregor M.A. has been appointed to the charge of the Pahautanui School, in succession to Mr. Bary, who is now assistant-master of the Newtown School. Mr. Macgregor will enter upon his new duties at once

28th May 1890 Several protests against election of School Committees on the grounds of illegality were considered by the Education Board this morning. The Belvidere and Pahautanui elections were declared by the Board to be invalid, on the ground that residents outside the school district had been allowed to vote at the late meetings of householder. New elections in those districts will be held next Monday fortnight.

18th June 1890 At the meeting of Pahautanui householders hold on Monday evening, to elect a new School Committee, about 60 persons attended, and Mr. J. Pearce was voted to the

chair. A plan of the school district, for the guidance of the meeting, was supplied by the Board. Considerable discussion took place as to the qualification to vote and as to what constitutes a householder. After the interpretation Clause of the Education Act had been read by the Chairman it was decided that every adult residing within the school district was entitled to vote, or even an occupier of land without residence. Opinions were expressed by the meeting that the definition of the word "householder" is too complicated and does not convey clearly the original intentions of the Legislature. However, the election took place, and resulted in the return of the following committee ; — F. A. Death (Chairman; A. Iggulden, A. Bradey, J. Robertson, J. London, N. W. Stace, and W. Galloway.

27th August 1890 Wellington Education Board The question of fencing the schoolground at Pahautanui was held over.

28th January 1891 PAHAUTANUI DISTRICT. Bounded on the north by the Horokiwi School District, on the east by the Judgeford School District (already defined), on the south and south-west by the Lower Hutt, Korokoro, and Porirua School Districts ; thence by the Porirua Harbour until it strikes the south-western boundary of the Horokiwi School District.

3rd February 1891 (Our Own Correspondent.) 2nd February. One of the most enjoyable concerts ever given in this place was held here a few days ago in aid of the school prize and gift fund. It differed in very many respects from any previously given. Got up for school purposes, it was deemed but fitting that the services of some of the pupils should be called into requisition in carrying it out. A number of glees and songs were nicely rendered by a party of school girls, who had been carefully trained for weeks previously, by Mrs. Greenwood. Another entirely new feature in the evening's entertainment was the performance by half a dozen girls of a set of club exercises, to the accompaniment of the same lady. This formed the interlude between the first and second parts of the programme, and was highly appreciated, and applauded to the very echo. Owing to the sudden indisposition of Miss Bradey and of the Messrs. F. Bradey and Ward, all of whom were down for several items, the original programme had to be entirely recast, and well was it for us that we had secured the assistance of a strong contingent from Wellington in the person of Miss Simson, a Blenheim young lady at present visiting the city, and Messrs. F. W. Haybittle and Nairn. Miss Simson sang "In Happy Moments" and "Kathleen" with such sweetness and feeling that she was obliged to reappear. As for Mr Haybittle, whose reputation as a raconteur and elocutionist had preceded him he was simply "immense." He was a host in himself and gave us seven recitations in his usual masterly style, all of which were received with such deafening applause as made the rafters ring again Mr. Nairn contributed two beautiful Scotch airs in a finished style. But perhaps the most interesting part of the evening's performances was some simple songs rendered by the Misses Curtis four tiny minstrels of ages ranging from about seven to twelve. As cool as if in their own back parlour, they sang "The China man," " Travelling Tinker," and one or two other short pieces, their young voices blending so sweetly together as to call forth the most rapturous applause. The concert closed with a cordial vote of thanks to our city visitors, to Mrs. Greenwood, and a Special one to the little singers who had so charmed us all. Then followed the second, and to many the most enjoyable part of the entertainment— the dance— which was kept up with unflagging zeal for several hours, to the enlivening strains of Messrs. Taylor and Nicol, of the local band, which we had almost forgotten to state had, with its customary generosity, tendered its services and performed

several selections during the evening. Altogether the concert was a triumphant success, and the pecuniary results were eminently satisfactory, over £12 [£12 in February 1891= \$2521.37 in September 2020] having been realised for the prize fund.

7th February 1891 Frances D Taylor Pahautanui passed her second year pupil teacher examination.

22nd April 1891 School Committee Pahautanui.—Fred. A. Death, James Pearce, E. Greenwood, Alfred Iggulden, William Stace, James London and James ! Robertson. There being only seven nominations these gentlemen may be regarded as being duly elected.

29th July 1891 Wellington Education Board Miss A. Pearse was appointed sewing teacher at Pahautanui, vice Miss ' London resigned.

26th August 1891 Some few months ago Mr. Charles Hulke, head-master of the Newtown State School, offered a prize for the best entomological collection made by any girl or boy attending the State schools under the direction of the Wellington Board of Education. Circulars announcing Mr. Hulke's generous offer were sent by the Board to every school under their control. The response was the reverse of satisfactory, as only three children forwarded collections. These were examined by Mr. Charles Hudson, and that gentleman's report was received by the Board of Education to-day. Mr. Hudson, in recommending that the prize should be awarded to Mabel Jones, of Pahautanui, aged eleven years, expresses his regret that the children had not evinced a deeper interest in the study of insect life, Only three competitors entered, And of these little Miss Jones was the only one who Could possibly have expected to have won a prize, her collection being really meritorious when her age is considered. Mr. Hudson very generously has given the unsuccessful competitors a small prize each out of his own pocket.

1st October 1891 Wellington Education Board A grant of £5 was made to the Pahautanui School Committee for repairs

25th November 1891 Miss Stuart was appointed pupil teacher at Pahautanui, at the request of the local Committee

7th April 1892 The ladies of the Pahautanui district recently raised .the sum of £13 by means of an entertainment for the purpose of purchasing a pianoforte for the local school. For some reason the money has not been applied in that direction, and so is available for another purpose. The ladies' committee have therefore decided that it shall be handed over to the Hospital authorities, but with the distinct stipulation that it must be expended entirely upon the children's ward. Mr. James London left the money at the Evening Post publishing office this morning, and we have had much pleasure in handing it over to the Rev. Mr. Van Staveren , as a member of the Board of Trustees.

27th April 1892 The annual meeting of householders for the election of a School Committee for the ensuing year was held in the Schoolhouse here on Monday evening. Mr. Death, the retiring Chairman, occupied the chair, Messrs. F, Death, J, Pearce, J, Robertson, J. London, A. Iggulden, A. Nicol, and D. Galloway were elected unopposed. Immediately after the public meeting the new Committee met to elect a Chairman. Mr. Death, who has filled the position for several years, having expressed his wish to be relieved of its duties, owing to the pressure of other engagements, Mr. James Robertson was unanimously elected to the office.

9th August 1892 On Friday evening last an event of no little importance to the people of Pahautanui occurred when the opening of the new hall, just built by Mr Nichols, took place. This latest addition to the buildings of the township is capable of accommodating over 200 persons, being about 60ft by 30ft, [18.28 metres x 9.144 metres] and having a stage 15 ft by 8 ft, with ante-rooms on each side for ladies and gentlemen. A very large gathering of the people of the township and their neighbours were at the opening ceremony, the chair being occupied by Mr Bradey, who in his speech complimented Mr Nichols on his public spirit and enterprise in supplying a long felt want. He said the hall was the best Wellington and Foxton, and then declared it open....

15th August 1892 Inspector Lee to inspect Pahautanui School on 30th August

28th September 1892 Wellington Education Board The appointment of a head teacher was postponed until next meeting

30th November 1892 Wellington Education Board a teacher was transferred to Pahautanui

1893-1899

1893	31	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	Adelaide		Head Female	£ 138.15
1893	31	Pahautanui	Stuart	Lavinia		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 40.00
1894	38	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	Adelaide		Head Female	£ 138.15
1895	48	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	Adelaide		Head Female	£ 138.15
1895	38	Pahautanui	Jacob	Margaret H		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 20.00
1896	38	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	Adelaide		Head Female	£ 138.15
1896	38	Pahautanui	Jacob	Margaret H		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 22.10
1897	32	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	A A	D1	Female	£ 128.15
1898	28	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	A A	D1	Female	£ 138.15
1899	31	Pahautanui	Dowdeswell	A A	D1	Female	£ 138.15

Adelaide Dowdeswell

1879-1882 Thorndon as Ada a pupil teacher

1883-1884 At the Normal School as a trainee teacher where she won a theory of teaching prize.

1885- 1889 Te Aro as assistant female as Annie and A Annie

1890-1892 Taueru East of Masterton as Sole Charge as Adelaide

1893-1899 Pahautanui as Adelaide or AA

1900-1909 Kaitara aka Morrison's Bush

1910-1911 Newtown DHS as Assistant female

1912-to at least 1917 Newtown Assistant.

1921/4410	Adelaide Augusta Dowdeswell	Sandham	Gillingham
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1930/7176	Gillingham	Sandham	79Y
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1952/25248	Gillingham	Adelaide Augusta	87Y
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Margaret H Jacob Was a pupil teacher at Pahautanui from 1895 to 1896 and in 1897 was at Thorndon Infants' and 1898 to 1900 all as pupil teacher. From 1901-1904 was at Hastwell School near Eketahuna as an assistant. From 1905 to 1910 was assistant at Otaki.

28th September 1893 Wellington Education Board . It was decided that notice should be given to the sewing teacher at Pahautanui that her services would be no longer required [Because a woman was teaching]

25th October 1893 First Grade Drawing Examinations Pahautanui 13 sat 9 passed

9th November 1893 One of the most successful concerts ever held in Pahautanui took place on Tuesday evening in Mr Nicol's Hall, in aid of the school prize fund. A very interesting programme was arranged. The school children, under the charge of Miss Dowdeswell, took an active part, and acquitted themselves in a remarkably clever manner. Songs, recitations and tableaux were given by Misses Watson, Bradey (2), Boulton, Stace and Macintosh, and Messrs Steel, Gardner, Bannister and Macintosh. A dance followed the concert.

16th December 1893 PAHAUTANUI. The annual breaking up and presentation of prizes took place at the Pahautanui school yesterday afternoon. A large number of parents and friends were present, and enjoyed the songs, recitations, &c, given by the children. At the request of Mr. Robertson, Chairman of the Committee, three hearty cheers were given for Miss Dowdeswell and her assistant, Miss Stuart.

21st December 1893 Hospital Steward gifts for the institution. Pahautanui Girl pupils of the school.

27th April 1894 Wellington Education Board Certain repairs required at Pahautanui were ordered to be made by the Board's carpenter

30th May 1894 Wellington Education Board the Board's carpenter was directed to attend to the roofing of the Waihakeke School with iron. He was instructed to report as to the necessity for certain works at Paraparaumu, Pahautanui, and Mount Cook

1st June 1894 Wellington Education Board The carpenter was instructed to report as to the necessity for repairs at Paraparaumu, and on a request for a close boarded fence at Pahautanui.

30th June 1894 A most enjoyable concert was given in the Schoolhouse, Pahautanui, on Thursday evening, on the occasion of the breaking up of the school for the winter holidays. The chief interest centred in a singing and elocutionary contest between the scholars, who had been very effectively trained by Miss Dowdeswell, the head teacher. The judges, Misses Stace and Wall and Mr. McIntosh, having declared their verdict, the prizes were presented as follows : — Singing — Misses Nelly Robertson and Norma Bradey. Recitation — Misses Lily Brown and Katie Baskeville. The String Band and the Glee Club assisted, and the songs of Miss Wall and Mr. F. Bradey, a piano solo by Miss Lily Dowdeswell, and a recitation by Mr. Pearce, who presided, were much appreciated. A very pleasant evening concluded with a dance.

9th July 1894 The new School Committee at Pahautanui having decided to improve the condition of the playground of the school, decided to act on the motto—" If you want a thing done well, do it yourself." So on Saturday the members formed themselves into a working bee, led by their Chairman, who was armed with a long-handled shovel and followed by two strong horses and drays, with five willing workers. The committeemen turned to and cleared away mud, broken bottles, ashes, and all kinds of rubbish, trimmed the trees, dug drains, and

carted fresh gravel. The place has now a clean and comfortable appearance. Our local correspondent thinks that other School Committees should take the hint and do likewise.

27th August 1894 Pahautanui to be inspected on the 30th August by either Inspector Lee or Fleming

16th November 1894 very pleasant and successful gathering took place in Nicol's Hall, Pahautanui, on Friday evening (Prince of Wales' Birthday), under the management of the Pahautanui and Horokiwi Valley School Committees. During the first part of the evening a concert was held, the talent being principally local. Two pieces by about 20 scholars of the Pahautanui School under Miss Dowdeswell, the teacher, were very prettily and efficiently rendered, and were deservedly applauded. Songs by Misses Kane, Dowdeswell and others were much appreciated, and Mr Morgan was twice recalled for his recitations. A comic song by Mr Pearce and one by Mr A. Nicol, jun., "The Household Belies of Liza," in character, were both accorded hearty applause. The hall was well filled, and the takings, £8 9s 6d, which, after paying expenses, go to aid the children's combined tea-fete fund, was very satisfactory. A dance followed, and was kept up till about 2 a.m. The Pahautanui string band under Mr F. Bradey, jun., very kindly supplied the whole of the music for concert and dance free of charge.

29th November 1894 A deputation representing the Te Aro School Committee, waited on the Board and asked that Miss Mitchell, of Pahautanui, should not be placed over the heads of the present assistants in the school. The deputation suggested that one of the assistants should be promoted and Miss Mitchell get her place. [Miss Mitchell was actually from Horokiwi School]

29th December 1894 Wairarapa Relief Fund. [The SS Wairarapa had run aground on Great Barrier Island with a loss of life] 1 shilling and 3 pence.

9th January 1895 The Pahautanui and Horokiwi Valley School Committees having 1 combined for the purpose of holding their annual fete, it has been decided that it shall take place on Thursday, 17th instant, in the Pahautanui School. A ball in the evening in Nicol's hall in aid of the tea fund will close the festivities

28th February 1895 Wellington Education Board A request from Pahautanui that the constable be appointed as truant officer was acceded to, and the question of repairs to the roof of the residence was left in the hands of the carpenter.

1st March 1895 Wellington Education Board Applications for pupil teachers at Makakahi [Konini South of Pahiatua] and Pahautanui were postponed for further consideration until the next meeting.

9th May 1895 At the annual meeting of the Pahautanui Library subscribers, held last Saturday, a satisfactory balance-sheet was submitted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year : — President, Miss Dowdeswell Secretary and Librarian, Mr. Walter Leslie ; Treasurer, Mr. F. Death ; Committee, Mrs. W. Leslie, Messrs. A. McIntosh, junr., Pearce, and Robertson.

31st May 1895 Wellington Education Board The Chairman reported that in conjunction with Mr Bradey he had arranged to have the children residing in the fishing village of Paremata conveyed by coach to the Pahautanui School. [Paremata School was not opened until 1921]

5th August 1895 Pahautanui school to be inspected by either Mr Lee or Mr Fleming on 22nd and 23rd August

12th February 1896 Pupil Teacher examination First year M H Jacob Pahautanui Commended.

2nd June 1896 e following have been elected as the Pahautanui School Committee :— Messrs. A. Bradey (Chairman), C. Taylor, D' Galloway, A. Nicol, J. Pearce, J. London, and F. Bradey, jun., (Treasurer).

25th June 1896 Wellington Education Board Mr Pearce, on behalf of the Pahautanui School Committee, requested the Board to make arrangements so that the children of Paremata should attend the Porirua School instead of the one at Pahautanui. Consideration of the request was adjourned

15th August 1895 At the meeting of the Pahautanui Mutual Improvement Society on Wednesday evening last — the President, Miss Dowdeswell, in the chair — Professor Kirk delivered a highly interesting lecture on " The Forests of New Zealand." The lecturer dismissed the statement that our forests have no variety with the remark that they can at any rate boast of beauties that no other country in the world can. The growth of various trees and shrubs was explained, especially the wonderful kauri, some of which, he asserts, must be at least 4000 years old, and must have been in existence when Abraham dwelt in the land of Canaan. He urged the conservation of our forests, both for climatic and economic reasons, and the general health of the inhabitants. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the lecturer.

17th August 1896. Inspector T R Fleming to inspect Pahautanui on the 27th and 28th August.

29th August 1896 At a meeting of the Pahautanui Mutual Improvement Society on Thursday evening, the President (Miss Dowdeswell) in the chair, Mr. T. E. Fleming read an interesting paper entitled "Friends, and How to Cultivate Them"—the friends referred, to being authors and their works. The lecturer showed that the author's character generally depicted in his writings, and therefore to become familiar with him it is necessary to be familiar with his works. On the motion of Mr. Pearce, seconded by 'Mr. King, a hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr. Fleming. ‘

27th January 1897 Wellington Education Board The application of the Masterton Committee for improved out-offices was refused, and also the application for repairs to the residence at Pahautanui.

23rd February 1897 Wellington Education Board Margaret H Jacob pupil teacher classified as a third year pupil teacher

25th February 1897 Wellington Education Board Repairs at Pahautanui was authorised

24th March 1897 e subscribers to the Pahautanui Library held their annual meeting on Monday night, Miss Dowdeswell (President)" in the chair. Several new rules were added to those governing the institution, and it was decided to take steps to replace a large number of antiquated and " read-out" books with new volumes. The following committee were elected for the ensuing year : — President, Miss Dowdeswell (re-elected) ; Secretary and Librarian, Mr. W, Leslie (re-elected); Treasurer, ' Mr. W. Stace; and Messrs. J. L. Harvey and T. King. It was decided to re-open the library for circulation of books on Saturday next, 27th March.

29th July 1897 Pahautanui school to be inspected on 18th August and Tawa Flat.

21st August 1897 At this week's meeting of the Pahautanui Mutual Improvement Society,, Mr. T. R. Fleming delivered a lecture entitled " Tennyson : His Characteristics," which was pronounced a literary treat. A hearty vote of thanks was giver to Mr. Fleming. Next

Wednesday Mr. W. Leslie will give a lecture entitled " Two Months in the Hinemoa an Account of a trip round New Zealand.

6th October 1897 Mrs Ross, wife of Mr O. M. Ross, the well-known Palmerston North resident,-died yesterday morning. The news will be received with great regret by a large circle of friends. Mrs Ross was a daughter of Mr Dowdeswell of Pahautanui.

19th March 1898 The children and teachers of the Pahautanui, Judgeford, and Horokiwi Valley schools, accompanied by their friends, have arranged to hold an outing on Wednesday next at Day's Bay. [Near Eastbourne travel would have been coach to Plimmerton Railway Station, train to Wellington and Ferry to Days Bay]

25th March 1898 The children attending the Pahautanui, Judgeford, and Horokiwi Valley schools were treated to an outing on Wednesday at Day's Bay. The weather was glorious, and some 50 children and another half-hundred of their sisters and their cousins and their aunts " were taken over in the morning by the Duchess to the Bay, where everyone spent what was voted the most enjoyable treat the school children ever had.

13th April 1898 Easter Monday was celebrated at Pahautanui with a cricket match — ladies v. gentlemen. The ladies were allowed 26 in the field, while the men were restricted to the usual number and to the use of the left hand. The entire population of the district turned out to see the match, which resulted in a win for the fair sex by 74 runs. In the evening the festivities were concluded by a dance in Nicol's Hall, which was crowded.

27th April 1898 Wellington Education Board Minor works were ordered in respect of the Kaiwairua, Paraparaumu, Pahautanui. and Kaitawa schools

14th November 1898 Christina Jones Pahautanui sat scholarship and obtained 267 marks which was well down the list of candidates.

14th December 1898 Wellington Education Board and that the Board could do nothing in reference to the flooding of the ground at the Pahautanui teacher's residence.

26th April 1899 School Committee Pahautanui. — Messrs. A. Bradey (Chairman, re-elected), Saunders, C. Bradey, Galloway, Taylor, Boulton, F. Bradey, jun. (Treasurer, re-elected)

24th May 1899 At the annual meeting of subscribers to the Pahautanui Library, the election of officers resulted as follows : — President, Miss Dowdeswell (re-elected) ; Secretary and Librarian, Mr. W. Leslie (re-elected) ; Treasurer, Mr. W. Stace (re-elected) ; Committee, Mrs. Leslie, Mr. T. King, and Mr. Pearce. Mr. Pearce was appointed assistant librarian and auditor.

10th June 1899 Miss Dowdeswell appointed to Delegate to council of the New Zealand Educational Institute by the Wellington Educational Institute.

1900-1906

1900	30	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 100.00	
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1901	31	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 137.00	\$10.00
1902	25	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 136.00	House
1903	23	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 124.10	House
1904	23	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 110.10	House

1905	15	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 105.00	House
1906	17	Pahautanui	Feist	Lois M	E1	Female	£ 110.00	House

Lois M Feist

1880-1885 Fernridge as Pupil Teacher Just West of Masterton

1888-1889 Otaki Assistant Female

1890 Clareville just North of Carterton assistant female

1891-1899 Wangaehu Sole charge 11 Kilometres from Masterton on Te Ore Ore Bideford Road

1900-1906 Pahautanui Sole Charge

1907 Dyer School sole charge Just South of Martinborough

1909 Alfredton East of Eketahuna sole Charge

1910 Hutt DHS/Eastern Hutt assistant

1911-1915 Carrington sole charge North West of Carterton

1915/1142	Lois Margaret	Feist	Harry Edwin	Fly
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1939/19685	Fly	Lois Margaret	74Y
1957/26423	Fly	Harry Edwin	90Y

1st March 1900 In a review of salaries among a large number of teachers being overpaid A Dowdeswell, Pahautanui £38 15s

15th March 1900 More men fund encouraging more men for the Boer war in a long article was this piece: Miss Dowdeswell played the accompaniments for the vocalists. During the dance which followed the concert, the treasurer of the fund (Miss Dowdeswell) was able to announce that it had reached £68 12s, and before the end of the evening this amount had been increased to over £70. [£70 in March 1900 is the equivalent of \$13746,85 in September 2020]

17th March 1900 Miss Dowdeswell has received the appointment of the head teacher at Kaitara. School [AKA Morrison Bush School east of Greytown]

22nd March 1900 Miss L. Feist, who has been in charge of the Wangaehu School, has been promoted to the charge of the school at Pahautanui, vice Miss Dowdeswell,

26th March 1900 On Wednesday evening the Pahautanui More Men Fund Committee held its final meeting, and heard a very satisfactory statement of accounts from, the Treasurer (Miss Dowdeswell), whose balance-" sheet had been audited by Messrs. Stace and Linsell.

4th April More Men Fund Pahautanui (per Miss Dowdeswell), £1 10s

22nd June 1900 The Mayor of Wellington Indian Family Fund donations included Kaitara School C/ Miss Dowdeswell

26th April 1900 School Committee Pahautanui — Messrs. A. Bradey (Chairman), F. Bradey, jun. (Secretary and Treasurer), R. Saunders, E. Bradey, D. Galloway, A. Nicol, G. H. Taylor.

1st November 1900 The children of the Pahautanui School held a very successful concert and dance in Nicol's hall. The 'proceeds were in aid of the children's prize fund. Praise is due to the children's teacher, Miss Feist, for the part she took in connection with the success of this affair.

30th January 1901 Wellington Education Board Teacher salaries Pahautanui L Feist current salary £100 proposed increase £24

21st March 1901 Revised proposed salaries Wellington Education Board Pahautanui Attendance average 28 Sole teacher Proposed salary £120 a rise of £20.

28th March 1901 Visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall. Mr Hogg was afraid the children's demonstration would have to be confined to the residents of the city and suburbs. It would be almost impracticable to bring the country children down here. The teachers, he felt sure, would not take the responsibility. Mr Bradey said he was interesting himself in bringing the Porirua and Pahautanui children down, and; was making arrangements for a brass band to accompany them. Eventually, on the suggestion of the chairman, a committee, consisting of Messrs Bradey, Hogg, Robertson, Young and the mover, was set up to act on behalf of the Education Board, and assist as far as possible in the reception of the children

12th December 1901 James Gardiner was on the Technical Schools list of applicants for teaching scholarships after 60 people had been accepted.

23rd July 1903 School committees are to be elected this evening by the householders of Petone, Pahautanui, Rikiorangi, and Wangaehu [because a committee was not elected on the due date in May]

24th July 1903 The Pahautanui school district, which failed to hold the election at the proper time, has now elected the following committee:—Messrs. W. Stace (Chairman), Fred. Bradey, jun. (Treasurer), J. Walker, C. Bradey, and A. Harris.

26th August 1903 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui got a library subsidy of £6

28th August 1903 Mr F Bradey of Pahautanui was reelected Chairman of the Wellington Education Board after filling in for the previous chairman

11th December 1903 A ridiculous attitude that has been taken up by the Government was quoted by Mr Field at the meeting of the Board. There is no Paremata and for want of it or facilities for reaching another school, a number of children, there are growing up quite without' education. He made' an effort to get' the Government to assist in paying, their fares to an adjacent school on the; Manawatu line. The Secretary of the Education Department, however, stated that the children should walk to Plimmerton and attend that school. Mr Field pointed out that to do so they would have to cross a dangerous railway bridge, and that the b Manawatu Railway Company had absolutely refused to allow them on the line of rails, but the Government refused to budge from its position, -, It was stated by the chairman of the Board that during fine weather the children .could attend the Pahautanui school, but in bad weather it was almost out of the question. - Mr Field said the Secretary for Education was, to say the least of it not inclined kindly to the Wellington Board, but he would make another - effort to influence the Government.

[There were no references to Pahautanui in papers Past for 1904 or 1905]

7th March 1906 J H Turner awarded a contract for work at Pahautanui

25th April 1906 School Committee Pahautanui. — F. Bradey, jun. (chairman and secretary), H. Carter (treasurer), A. Nicol, jun., C. Bradey, A. Harris.

1907-1912

1907	23	Pahautanui	Lea	Sarah Ellen B	E5	Female	£110.00	House
1908	30	Pahautanui	Lea	Sarah Ellen B	D3	Female	£130.00	House
1909	31	Pahautanui	Lea	Sarah Ellen B	D3	Female	£155.00	House
1910	31	Pahautanui	Lea	Sarah Ellen B	D3	Female	£160.00	House
1911	44	Pahautanui	Lea	Sarah Ellen B	D2	Female	£180.00	House
1911	44	Pahautanui	Flux	Gwendolyn M	C5	Assistant Female	£90.00	
1912	50	Pahautanui	Lea	Sara E B	D2	Female	£185.00	House
1912	50	Pahautanui	Thompson	Laura E	C5	Assistant Female	£90.00	

Sarah Ellen Barker Lea

Sarah Ellen B Lea first taught for the Wellington Education Board at Pahautanui In 1913 she was sole teacher at Korokoro North School. Then from about 1917 to at least 1923 she was an assistant and then infant mistress at Clyde Quay

In Papers past there are 2 Sarah Ellen Barkers and which is which was too difficult

1941/17771	Lea	Ellen Barker	84Y
1965/33217	Lea	Ellen Barker	78Y

18th February 1921 Infant Mistress Levin D H S Doesn't appear to have taken this position up.

17th March 1936 appointed Infant Mistress Normal School Auckland

Gwendolyn Mary Flux only taught for The Wellington Education Board at Pahautanui in 1911 and 1912. Daughter of George Flux leading Head Teacher in Wellington to 1915, Gwendolyn was born in 1891

15th February Wellington on January 31st, Mr Miles Clement Waller Mason, eldest son of the Rev. Miles H. H. Mason, of. Croydon, England, was married.to Miss G. M. Flux, third daughter of Mr George Flux, of Wellington, and .formerly of Greytown.

Laura E Thompson started teaching for the Wellington Education Board as a pupil teacher at Kilbirnie in 1908 and Petone DHS in 1909. Then there is a gap of two years when she would have gone to training College. In 1912-1913 she was at Pahautanui. 1914-1917 at Epuni. In 1919 she was at Mount Cook Boys and then in 1921 to 1923 when my records end she was at Seatoun

29th April 1908 School Committee Pahautanui. — Messrs. Fredk. Brady (chairman and secretary), F. Taylor (treasurer),*H. Carter, j. Curtain, A. •Harris.'

29th May 1908 Wellington Education Board Consideration of the question of consolidating the schools in the Pahautanui district was deferred.

29th May 1908 he inspectors' report in regard to the consolidation of schools in the Pahautanui district, and the proposal, to build a native school at Pirinoa, were adopted

28th May 1909 Wellington Education Board Addition to incomplete committee Pahautanui H Tregurtha.

17th March 1910 The Pahautanui School Committee gave their annual "treat" to the children attending the three local schools on Tuesday last. About eighty children sat down to tea in the Pahautanui Hall. A pleasant afternoon was spent in the paddock, where races for the children were held. Much interest was also taken in the men's half-mile race, which was won by

Pearce, with G. Iggulden close up. The chairman (Mr. F. Bradey, jun.), during the afternoon, presented over forty prizes to the children.

26th April 1910 School Committee Pahautanui. — Messrs Frederick Bradey, junr. (chairman), F. Taylor (treasurer), W. Bradey, A. Harris, H. Tregurtha, C. Carter, and G. H. Taylor

14th March 1911 Miss G Flux appointed assistant Pahautanui

13th April 1912 Miss L Thompson appointed

29th May 1912 A meeting of householders was held in the Pahautanui Schoolroom on Monday for the purpose of electing a school committee for the ensuing year. On the motion of Mr. Nordell, seconded by Mr. Nicol, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the outgoing committee for the manner in which it had performed its duties during the year. • The following committee was then elected : — Mr. Frederick. Bradey, chairman, and secretary (re-elected), Messrs. H. Tregurtha, G. H. Taylor, W. Bradey, A. Harris (treasurer), C. Carter, F Taylor.

28th August 1912. Wellington Education Board Recommended Latrines be attended to Pahautanui

16th September 1912 WELLINGTON EDUCATION BOARD TENDERS for New Latrines and for Painting and ' Repairs to school buildings, Pahautanui School, will be received at the Education Board Office, up to noon of Monday, the 23rd September. Plans and specifications may be seen (after Monday) at the Schools, Pahautanui and Porirua, and at the Education Board office. The lowest of any tender not necessarily accepted. G. L. STEWART, Secretary.

21st September 1912 Hutt County council: The Education Department wrote to say the Latrines etc, at Pahautanui School were being attended to.

25th September 1912 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui new convenience- and general overhaul of school and residences, A. Mildenhall.

1913-1915

1913	49	Pahautanui	McLauchlan	Mary	E1	Female	£180.00	House
1913	49	Pahautanui	Thompson	Laura E	C5	Assistant Female	£95.00	
1914	45	Pahautanui	McLauchlan	Mary	E1	Head Female	£190.00	House
1914	45	Pahautanui	Chatwin	Fanny		Assistant Female	£90.00	
1915	41	Pahautanui	McLauchlan	Mary	E1	Head Female	£200.00	House
1915	41	Pahautanui	Chatwin	Fanny	C4	Assistant Female	£120.00	

Mary McLauchlan had a long career of teaching for the Wellington Education Board In 1891 she was assistant female at Johnsonville until 1895. In 1896 until 1912 she was at Rongomai 11 kilometres North East of Eketahuna on the Mangaone Road// Then finishing her career with her service at Pahautanui

Fanny Chatwin Taught under many versions of her name In 1884 F E Chatwin started teaching at Clareville where she continued until 1888 as Fannie E and Frances A. In 1889 she came to Newtown as Frances A and continued as sole charge teacher at Korokoro and at Keruru [Koputaroa] under this name. In 1911 she was back in Wellington at Maranui (Island

Bay) under the Fanny name. Then finished off her service at Kilbirnie as Fanny M until at least 1919.

Internet Search:

Frances Annie Chatwin (1858-1955) was a Teacher at Korokoro School. She died, unmarried, on 4 June 1955 aged 97 and is buried Plot 165 B, CH ENG2 at Karori. Buried with her is: her father, Charles Henry Chatwin (1829-1915), her mother, Cicely Vale Chatwin (1836-1926) and her brother Edward Lothiar Chatwin (1872-1935).

29th January 1913 Wellington Education Board Miss McLauchlan granted 1 weeks leave of absence from February 3rd

29th January 1913 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui residence papering recommended

9th April 1914 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui Assistant £100 to £120

6th June 1914 A meeting of householders was held at Pahautanui last night when the election of the School Committee for the following year took place. The election resulted as follows: —Messrs. Alex. Little (chairman), L. Tregurtha (secretary), A. Harris (treasurer), Edward Brady, Andrew Anderson, and John Nicol. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. F. Brady, J.P., the retiring chairman (who did not seek re-election), for his long services in all matters concerning the welfare of the local school, he having served on the committee for over twenty years, during which time he had been elected chairman for fourteen years.

27th November 1914 Pupils of Pahautanui School Belgian relief £1 7 shillings

3rd June 1915 The following were elected to the Pahautanui School Committee for the ensuing year:—Messrs. A. Nicol (chairman), H. Tregurtha. (secretary, A. Harris, A. Anderson, W. Harris, jun., F. Nicol, IV. Bradley. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Messrs. Veitch and Allan, Johnston and Co., Virtue and Co., S. Scott, and E. Brady for gifts for the children's races at the annual picnic. The secretary reported a credit balance of £7 18s. for the children's prize and picnic fund. It was decided to hold a minstrel entertainment to raise further funds for the annual sports and picnic.

22nd June 1915 Countess of Liverpool fund Pahautanui school, 4 Balaclavas;

1916-1923

1917	35	Pahautanui	Pinhey	Ellen G	C-60	Head	£220.00	
1917	35	Pahautanui	Power	Mary Evelyn	D-91	Assistant	£140.00	
1919	32	Pahautanui	Bodell	Florence A	D-75	Sole	£240.00	
1921	21	Pahautanui	Bodell	Florence A	D	Sole	£300.00	
1923	16	Pahautanui	Engstrom	Ellen M Mrs	D-170	Sole	£235.00	

Ellen G Pinhey started her teaching career as a pupil teacher at Carterton in 1905 and 1906. Then she went to training college for two years. In 1909 she was at Masterton. In 1910 to 1912 she was sole teacher at Judgeford. She then in 1913 went to Makomako on the western side of Pahiatua before being at Pahautanui by 1917

1919/2218	Ellen Gertrude	Pinhey	Roderick Charles Michael	Mulhern
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25th April 1919 The wedding took place at Wellington on Wednesday of Miss Nellie Pinhey, eldest daughter of Mr N. A. Pinhey, of Wangaehu, Masterton, to Mr Roy Mulhern, of Pahautanui. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. father Lane

Mary Evelyn Power started as a pupil teacher in 1908 and 1909. At Wadestown school followed by two years at training college. From 1912 to 1915 she was at Makairo east of Mangatainoka. Before coming to Pahautanui by 1917. In 1919 she was sole teacher at Kopuaranga school and in 1921 was sole teacher at Ruawhata also East of Mangatainoka

Florence A Bodell started teaching for the Wellington Education Board in 1909 at Belvedere [West of Carterton] in 1909 and was there 1912. In 1913 was sole teacher at Akatarawa. 1914 and 1915 she was at Ohariu as an assistant. By 1917 she was at Kahautara. Then she was at Pahautanui and by 1923 was at Ohariu as head Teacher.

1948/31447	Bodell	Florence Allen	67Y
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In 1928 appointed sole teacher at Makara School west of Karori

Mrs Ellen M Engstrom 25th April 1906 Mr Carl Gothric Engstrom, of Pahiatua, was married at St Mark's Church, Wellington, yesterday afternoon, to Miss Ellen Mabel Welsby, eldest daughter of Mr John Welsby, of Wellington. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. Coffey. The bride was attended by her sisters, Misses Delia, Zoe, and Nina Welsby. Mr Vaughan Welsby acted as best man

16th July 1929 The death has occurred at Masterton, after a prolonged illness, of Mr. C. G. Engstrom, a well-known resident of the district. The late Mr. Engstrom was born near Stockholm, in Sweden, 62 years ago. Ho came to New Zealand at the age of eighteen years, and resided m Wellington .for a short period, before taking up farming in the Pahiatua and Woodville districts. Mr. Engstrom went to Masterton about 20 years ago. Ho served throughout in the Boer War being a member of the Sixth contingent as at one time a prominent rifle shot, having been a member of the Masterton-Opaki Rifle Club, and had won many trophies in this connection. Mr. Angstrom is survived by a widow and three daughters and one son. Two of the daughters are Mrs. G; E. Downing (Wallaceville) and Miss A. I. Engstrom (of the Masterton Public Trust Office), the other daughter and son being of school age. There are also two grandchildren.

1901 Ellen Welsby was teaching at Hinemoa School at Kaitawa East of Pahiatua 1902 to 1905 at Coonoor North East Of Pahiatua

1907/3526	Engstrom	Linnia Ellen Louise	Ellen Mabel	Carl Gothuk
1911/9993	Engstrom	Anna Irene Mabel	Ellen Mabel	Carl Gothrik
1913/20646	Engstrom	Vaughan Gothrik Welsby	Ellen Mabel	Carl Gothrik
1919/8402	Engstrom	Elsa Marie Sigrid	Ellen Mabel	Carl Gathrik

1945/31328	Engstrom	Ellen Mabel	62Y
1929/9529	Engstrom	Carl Gothrick	62Y

Mrs Engstrom was teaching in 1917 at Mauriceville West in 1921 at Wallaceville as sole teacher and 1923 at Pahautanui

29th February 1916 Wellington Education Board Miss M McLauchlan resigned

15th June 1916 Wellington Education Board Pahautanui Miss E Pinhey appointed

9th August 1916 Pahautanui (Railway Station Paremata) Assistant mistress £120 to £140

27th September 1916 Miss M Power appointed assistant mistress

8th August 1917 Christmas gifts for soldiers in the trenches Pahautanui School 1 10 shillings

24th April 1918 At Pahautanui the following committee was elected :—Messrs. A. Harris, H. Tregurtha, W. Bradey, R. S. Wall, Rev. W. H. Walton. The following motion was passed:— "That this meeting of Pahautanui householders wish to enter an emphatic protest against the neglect of the Wellington Education Board in delaying the building of the new school, as the building- (which has been in use over fifty years) has long exceeded its usefulness, and the dilapidated state of the school and outbuildings is a disgrace to the Wellington Education Board."

15th March 1919 The parents of children attending the school at Pahautanui resolved on Wednesday evening; "That owing to the action of the Wellington Education Board in neglecting to replace the present school, the parents present pledge themselves to withdraw their children from school until their demands are acceded to." The old school is close on fifty years old and was built from timber partially obtained from the old barracks used in the Maori War. The place is now very worm-eaten and has passed the stage of usefulness as a school. Eighteen months ago members of the school committee interviewed Mr. G. L. Steward, secretary of the Education Board, and he stated then "as soon as the site for a new school is decided upon, the board will build. We have the money." The question of site was decided upon at the end of October, and in December the board wrote to the chairman of the school committee stating that they had decided to spend a considerable amount of money in placing the school in a good state. This is considered not only foolish, but a waste of the country's money, patching up an old building, especially when a new school is due to the district. The parents have signified their intention of withdrawing the children from school on Monday next.

19th March 1919 Miss E G Pinhey resigned from April 26th

19th March 1919 MATTER BEFORE EDUCATION BOARD. During the meeting of the Education Board this morning, Mr. W. H. Walton, chairman of the Pahautanui School Committee, attended and complained of the condition of the school, which, as already reported in The Post, had been severely commented on at a meeting of local residents, who had decided to advise all the children not to attend the school, which from the beginning of the week has been practically closed. The Chairman informed the board before Mr. Walton attended that a new room had been added, but that room was not used because the old room had a more pleasant aspect. The only objection to the old room was that it was infested by "the borer." The proposal was to spend about £50 in fixing up the building. Mr. Walton urged on the board the necessity of providing a new school, as the present building was over fifty years old, and two years ago the committee was told that the money was in hand for a new structure, and that the only question that had to be settled was that of a site. Some months ago the present site was selected, and it was understood that a new building would be erected. In the meantime some repairs had been effected, but the committee was not satisfied with those repairs. Such a worm-eaten school should not be allowed to exist any longer. The parents, he added, had withdrawn the children from the school by way of protest. They desired to bring their position before the board in a more forcible manner than was otherwise possible. The Chairman said that when the board agreed to build a new school it had

sufficient money for ' the purpose—between £500 and £600— but at present, owing to the increased price of building material, it would cost about £1400. He recommended Mr. Walton to go to the Minister of Education and ask him for a grant to make up the difference. He "himself would give any 'help possible in that direction. Mr. Walton accepted the advice, and added: "For goodness' sake, don't waste any more money on that old building."

20th March 1919 Wellington Education Board A PAHAUTANUI MATTER Mr W. H. Walton, chairman of the Pahautanui School Committee, waited upon the board to urge that a new school be provided in his district. He told the board that the present building was worm-eaten and should no longer be allowed to be used. Every movement of the children brought down dust, which was a menace to their health. He named four sexagenarians who had received their education in the building. The place was too old. Parents had been compelled to take the drastic step of withdrawing their children from the school. The step had not been taken by the advice of the committee but had been decided upon at a public meeting. The chairman replied that the allowance available for the building of a new school at Pahautanui was insufficient. The board was not at all antagonistic to the committee's proposal, but it could not find the necessary funds. He suggested (hat Mr. Walton wait upon the Minister and make representation to him.. Mr. Walton said that he would see the Minister. Ho hoped that the board would not spend another penny on the old building.

2nd April 1919 Wellington Education Board Sole Teacherships— Pahautanui, £160 lo £220 and house.

7th May 1919 Miss F A Bodell appointed sole teacher

19th June 1919 The Pahautanui School is to be visited by the executive committee of the Education Board' next week. Mr. Forsyth (chairman) explained at yesterday's meeting of the Education Board that a dispute had arisen between the school committee and the board as to the state of the building. He. was of the opinion that if repairs were effected, and a bit of paint used, that the school would do for another eight or ten years. It was to decide what was best to be done that the visit to Pahautanui was being planned

11th July 1923 Hutt County Council From Education Board complaining of water flooding the teacher's residence at Pahautanui and asking the Council to give the matter immediate attention. —To be attended to.

4th October 1923 Pahautanui Sole teacher Mrs Engstrm (sic)