

Te Aupapa:

On the Te Aupapa Road Just South of the Kaitawa turn off 8 Kilometres from Pahiatua

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| 1896 | 13 | Te Aupapa | Swan | Mary J | Female | £48 | \$8,663 |
| 1897 | 13 | Te Aupapa | Swan | Mary J | Female | £48 | \$8,576 |
| 1898 | 15 | Te Aupapa | Swan | Mary J | Female | £80 | \$13,704 |
| 1899 | 15 | Te Aupapa | Swan | Mary J | Female | £80 | \$14,195 |
| 1900 | 16 | Te Aupapa | Swan | Mary J | Female | £80 | \$13,909 |

11th October 1937 Mrs. M. J. Swan, of Takahue, North Auckland, has returned home after a holiday spent in the Pahiatua district, Hawke's Bay, Wanganui and Palmerston North. She was the first teacher at the Kaitawa School and although Mrs. Swan is now 86 years of age, she thoroughly enjoyed revisiting old scenes .

17th oct 1939 new Zealand Herald RS. M. J. SWAN [BY TELEGRAPH —OWN* CORRESPONDENT] KAITAIA, Monday The death has occurred at Takahue of Mrs. M. .T. Swan. Born in Tipperary, Ireland, Mrs. Swan came to New Zealand with her sister and brother in her 20th year. She took up teaching in Wellington and married there. Her husband died in Timaru 49 years ago. Mrs. Swan resumed teaching and was appointed first teacher at the Kaitaia School. She purchased a farm and for some years managed her farm and taught at school at the same time. During the war Mrs. Swan sold her farm and retired with her daughters to live in Dannevirke. For the last 18 years she had lived at Takahue. She is survived by two sons and three daughters.

[Takahue is South of Kaitaia inland and off State Highway 1

8th October 1939 OBITUARY. On October 9, at the residence of her daughter Mrs Donald Banks, of Takahue, North Auckland, Mrs **M. J. Swan**, an old resident of Pahiatua, passed away. Mrs **Swan** left her home **m** Tipperary, Ireland, with her sister and brother in her 20th year. She took up teaching in Wellington, where 1 she married. Her husband died in Timaru 49 years ago, leaving her with a young family. She again took up teaching, subsequently buying a farm at Kaitawa, where for some years she managed her farm and taught school. She was appointed the first teacher at Kaitawa. During the Great War she sold, her farm and retired with her daughters to live in Dannevirke. On the marriage of her daughter to Mr Donald Banks, she resided with them first at Hastings and for the last 18 years at Takahue, North Auckland. She is survived by two sons, Messrs William and Cecil, and three daughters. Mrs G. Gleeson (Pahiatua), Mrs **J. T. Allsop** (Ruawhata) and Mrs D. Banks (Takahue).

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| 1878/1033 | Mary Josephine | Burke | James Paul | Swan |
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Swan— Burke.— Evening Post On the 23rd June, at St. Mary of the Angels, Boulcott-Street, Wellington, by the Rev. father Kerrigan, James Paul Swan, to Mary Josephine Burke. Wanganui and Auckland papers please copy

22nd October 1886 Mr. James Paul Swan, who has been appointed gaoler at Timaru, is a native of Onehunga NZ Herald

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| 1890/4159 | Swan | James Paul | 40Y |
| Funeral held at Wellington | | | |

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| 1879/4937 | Swan | William James | Mary Josephine | James Paul |
| 1882/14806 | Swan | Maria Margarette | Mary Josephine | James Paul |
| 1884/6810 | Swan | Cecil Joseph | Mary Josephine | James Paul |
| 1889/10245 | Swan | Cecelia Mabel | Mary Josephine | James Paul |

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| 1887/18194 | Swan | Theresa May | Mary Jane | James Paul |
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In 1878 Mary Josephine was at Mount Cook school for a year

Then in 1890 she was at Kaitawa/Newman Schools

From 1891 to 1895 she was at Kaitawa School

Then she was at Te Aupapa for all the time that it was open

28th August 1891 HEADING Kaitawa in a long was this: The Wellington Education Board has promised to erect a school room as soon as money is available, so one of these days its erection will be duly chronicled. The school at present is conducted very ably by Mrs Swan, a lady who is very kindly received by all the settlers. The writer had a very long conversation with this lady during his visit and gathered that 'the number of children on the roll is about forty. When you take into consideration the dreadful state of the roads, the attendance is also more than encouraging. The residents are to be congratulated on securing the services of a lady of refinement and education to live among them, and to thoroughly satisfy the wants of the district.

28th October 1891 then you enter the famous Makuri gorge, ride through it, and you are at Makuri, close under the Puketoi ranges, and about 20 miles from the East Coast, say from Aohanga. "" It is a bad road from Pahiatua to the gorge whichever way you come, One road is called the Tiraumea as far as Kaitawa; then it is called the Te Aupapa.

26th October 1892 A communication was received from the Postal Department, asking if the Board would permit the schoolmistress at Kaitawa to not be postmistress. The request was acceded to, subject to Mrs. Swan's consent.

21st December 1894 Mrs Swan, postmistress at Kaitawa, has resigned

13th April 1895 Minister of Lands and A W Hogg MP: The Minister and Mr Hogg crossed the Makuri River near the site of the proposed bridge at the foot of the Te Aupapa Saddle, and from thence, after calling at the homesteads of Mr Ross and Mrs Swan.....

29th April 1896 The resignation of Mrs. Swan, teacher at Kaitawa, was accepted and it was decided to advertise for her successor

8th April 1897 Wellington Education Board stating a school has been opened at Te Aupapa last year

4th May 1896 Mr H. T. Cooper, headmaster of the Ngaturi School, has been promoted to the charge of the Kaitawa School, in place of Mrs Swan, who has resigned. It is Mrs Swan's intention to start an aided school further up the valley

2nd March 1899 The inspector Mr Bakewell will visit on 9th March

1st June 1899 Wellington Education Board It was decided to get. particulars in reference to the rent of a room at Te Aupapa

7th December 1899 Wellington Education Board the matter of the erection of a school at Te Aupapa was ordered to stand over;

26th July 1900 As part of a long list of salary problems was overpaid: M. . Swan. Te Aupapa, £27 10s

20th February 1901 Mr Fleming to inspect Te Aupapa on 9th March

21st March 1901 New Pay Scheme Te Aupapa — ROLL (16), sole teacher, £100 rise of £20

25th April Mrs Swan's resignation accepted

27th June 1901 Wellington Education Board Applicants for a., new school at Te Aupapa were advised to approach the Government for a special grant;