

## Opunake Power District Petition 1921

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In the matter of the Electric-Power Boards Act 1918 and Amendments to His Excellency the Governor-General, Dominion of New Zealand. The Humble Petition of the Undersigneth Showeth

That the Opunake Electric-power Board was duly constituted under the provisions of the Electric-power Board's Act 1918 and amendments and the area as set out in the first schedule hereto was constituted an electric-power district under the provisions of the said Act.

That the areas as set out in the second schedule hereto was included in the outer areas of such district.

That the Opunake Electric-power Board is willing to allow the said outer area to be included in its inner district.

That we, the undersigned ratepayers and petitioners are not less than one fourth of the ratepayers within the area described in the second schedule hereto.

That the outer area is part of the Egmont County, a constituent district within the Opunake Electric-power District.

That the number of ratepayers and the value, improved and unimproved, of all rateable property within the said area are as follows:

Number of ratepayers	371	Improved Value	£678,348	Unimproved Value	£361,258
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That there will be no alteration in the number of members of the Board but will remain as hitherto, five members representing the Egmont County, a constituent district, and two members representing the Opunake Town District, a constituent district.

That the members will be elected by the electors of each constituent district.

Your petitions therefore humbly pray that Your Excellency will be graciously pleased to alter the boundaries of the Opunake Electric-power District by including the area described in the second schedule hereto, within the boundaries of the Opunake Electric-power District.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will every pray.

### The First Schedule

All that area of land in the Taranaki Land District comprising the Town District of Opunake, and that portion of the Egmont County comprising the Oeo Riding, the Opuā Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding, bounded as follows, commencing at the North East corner of the Opuā Riding, to the South by the northern boundary, to the west by the sea, to the north by the Moutoti Stream from the Sea to the North west corner of Sub 5, (of Sec.39), Blk 3. Opunake S.D. thence along the Northern boundaries of Subs 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 in Blk 3 Opunake S.D. and Subs 12 and 13 Blk 4. Opunake S.D. to the Forest Reserve, and thence in a Southerly direction along the Forest Reserve, to the North East Corner of the Opuā Riding, being the point of commencement, bordered red on plan.

### The Second Schedule

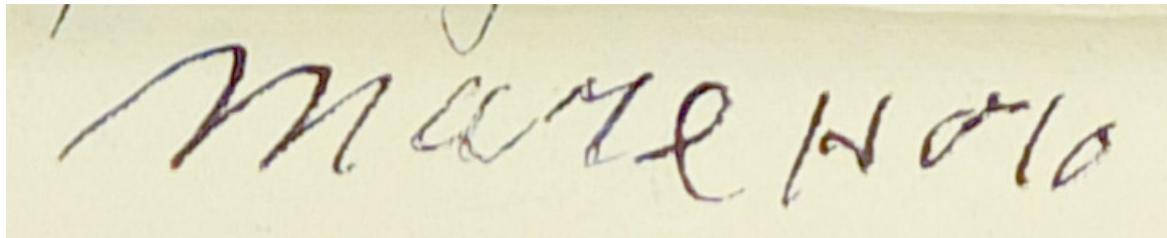
All that land in the Taranaki Land District comprising the area of land in the Egmont County which is not included in the areas given in the First Schedule, bordered neutral on plan.

## List of Signatures to Petition to His Excellency the Governor General

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Egmont Electoral Roll</u>
G. D. Dawson	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1914 Gerald Douglas Dawson, Kahui Road, Rahotu, farmer
Magnus S. Hughson	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1919 Magnus Sinclair Hughson, Rahotu, clerk
James Hopping	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1911 James Hopping, Rahotu, farmer
Baker Bros	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	
V. W. Dawson	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1914 Victor William Henry Dawson, Kahui Rd, Rahotu, farmer
V. M. Yeates	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1911 Venetia Mary Yeates, Rahotu, married
A. Dawson	Rahotu	C. F. Dawson	1911 Amy Dawson, Kahui Rd, Rahotu, married
Annie Turnbull	Newall Road	R. Cassie	1928 Annie Turnbull, Newall Road, Puniho, married
Bradbury Bros	Newall Road	R. Cassie	
C. T. Magon	Newall Road	R. Cassie	1914 Charles Theodore Magon, Warea, farm assistant
Mrs Jones	Warea Road	R. Cassie	
T. W. W. Raven	Newall Road	R. Cassie	1911 Thomas William Wellington Raven, Newall Rd, Warea, Dairy Farmer
Okato Dairy Co.	Puniho	G. Goodwin	(per W. Binnie, Chairman)
A. G. W. (mark)	Puniho	G. Goodwin	

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P. G. Kitchingman	Upper Kahui Rd Rahotu	S. M. Willoughby	1911 Percy Gascoigne Kitchingman, Kahui Rd, Rahotu, farm hand
C. R. Norgate	Upper Kahui Rd Rahotu	S. M. Willoughby	1911 Cecil Reginald Norgate, Eltham Rd, Kaponga, farmer
W. Fleming	Upper Kahui Rd Rahotu	S. M. Willoughby	1911 William Fleming, Rahotu, farmer
H. F. Anniss	Upper Kahui Rd	T. Willcox	1911 Herbert Frederick Anniss, Kahui Rd, Rahotu, creamery manager
C. W. Clemance	Upper Kahui Rd	T. Willcox	1919 Clement William Clemance, Rahotu, manager "Pomona" Nursery
Jas. P. Glentworth	Upper Kahui Rd	T. Willcox	1914 James Preston Glentworth, Kahui Rd, Rahotu, farmer
S. E. Peacock	Upper Kahui Rd	T. Willcox	1911 Samuel Edward Peacock, Opunake, carter
W. Fleming	Kahui Dairy Company	H. E. Jensen	
R. Fleming	Upper Kahui Rd	H. E. Jensen	
P. Byrnes	Upper Kahui	T. Willcox	1919 Patrick Byrnes, Kahui Road, Rahotu, farmer
Mare Horo	Upper Kahui	T. Willcox	

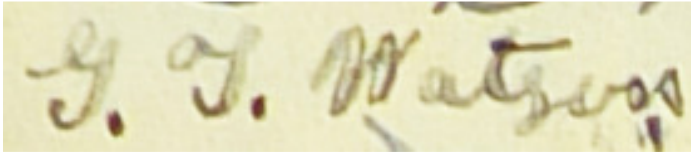


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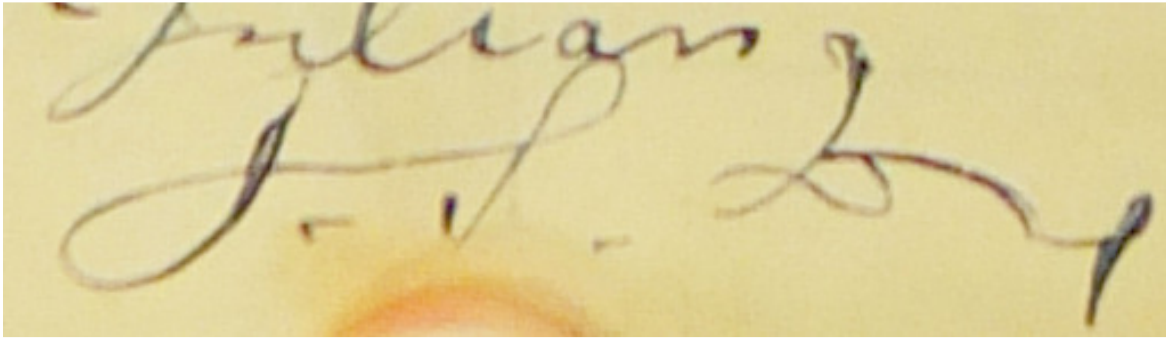
Signature	Address	Witness	Egmont Electoral Roll
C. S. Muir	Warea	G. Goodwin	1911 Charles Stuart Muir, Rotokare Road, Eltham, farmer
M. Roebuck	Warea	G. Goodwin	
A. Donohoe	Warea	G. Goodwin	1928 Andrew Donohoe, Warea, farmer
E. Aylward	Warea	G. Goodwin	1890 Edward Aylward, Pungarehu, settler
J. T. Putt	Warea	G. Goodwin	1928 John Theodore Putt, Warea Road, Warea, farmer
H. Donald	Warea	G. Goodwin	1928 Herbert James Donald, Warea Road, Warea, farmer
F. Brophy	Warea	L. Donald	
E. E. Johns	Warea	G. Goodwin	1919 Edward Eden Johns, Warea, farmer (Taranaki ER)
G. E. Julian	Warea	G. Goodwin	1900 George Ernest Julian, Warea, bushman (Taranaki ER)
Joe Brophy	Warea	G. Goodwin	
J. A. Wolstenholme	Warea	G. Goodwin	1919 James Arthur Wolstenholme, Warea Road, farmer (Taranaki ER Supp)
(see image below)	Warea	G. Goodwin	
W. B. Smith	Warea	G. Goodwin	1896 William Batten Smith, Jackson Road, farmer (Taranaki ER)
S. Brbich	Puniho	G. Goodwin	1928 Samuel Brbich, Tumahu, farmer (Taranaki ER)
Ernest H. Gray	Pungarehu Puniho	G. Goodwin	1928 Ernest Henry Gray, Main Road, Pungarehu, butcher (Taranaki ER)



Signature	Address	Witness	Taranaki Electoral Roll
R. C. S. Gibson	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1919 Ralph Carr Sylvester Gibson, Puniho Rd, Okato, farmer
R. J. Bell	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1900 Robert James Bell, Okato, farmer
C. E. Silver	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1928 Charles Edgar Silver, Puniho Road, Puniho, farmer
Edward J. Elwin	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1928 Edward Jeken Elwin, Puniho Road, Puniho, farmer (Egmont ER)
Geo. Goodwin	Puniho	E. G. Elwin	1905 George Goodwin, Tarata, farm hand
Sydney S. Wells	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1928 Sydney Septimus Wells, Puniho. Farmer
Cassie Bros	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	
G. T. Wat...	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	(see image below)
Chas. Mills	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1928 Charles Mills, Newall Rd, Puniho, farmer
James Duggan	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1880 James Duggan, Tataraimaka 125, farmer (Egmont ER)
Albert W. Allardice	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1919 Albert William Allardice, Lemon Street, farmer
Luckin Bros	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	
Geo. Allardice	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1928 George Allardice, Puniho Road, Puniho, farmer (Egmont ER)
E. B. Cooke	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	1919 Evelyn Bishop Cooke, Puniho, storekeeper & postmaster
Para Ruakere	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	
T. C. Bredin	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1911 Thomas Charles Bredin, Puniho, dairy farmer (Egmont ER)
J. G. Bredin	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1911 John Gilbert Bredin, Puniho, farmer (Egmont ER)
C. W. Corbett	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1905 Charles William Corbett, Warea, farm assistant
E. Sole	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1896 Edward Sole
W. C. Caldwell	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1919 William Crockett Caldwell, Warea, farmer
H. D. Moss	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1905 Henry David Moss, Inglewood, mill hand (Egmont ER)
H. Corbett	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1890 Henry Corbett, Okato, farmer (Egmont ER)
G. Lewis	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1928 George Lewis, Warea, blacksmith (Egmont ER)
C. W. Revell	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1911 Cecil William Revell, Ruakere Road, Warea, farmer (Egmont ER)
S. A. Revell	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1928 Sarah Ann Revell, Warea, married (Egmont ER)
D. N. Sutton	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1946 Darien Neave Sutton, 264 Devon Street West, invalid
W. Lawn	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1905 William Lawn, Tataraimaka, farmer
G. T. Hopkins	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1914 George Thomas Hopkins, Tepoka Road, Rahotu, farmer (Egmont ER)
H. N. Chapman	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1896 Henry Nixon Chapman, Ngaere, dairy assistant (Hawera ER)
J. A. Meier	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1905 Joseph Alois Meier, Inglewood, farmer (Egmont ER)
R. Julian	Warea	G. E. Goodwin	1914 Ray Julian, Warea Road, Warea, farmer (Egmont ER)
J. S. _ (image below)	Puniho	G. E. Goodwin	



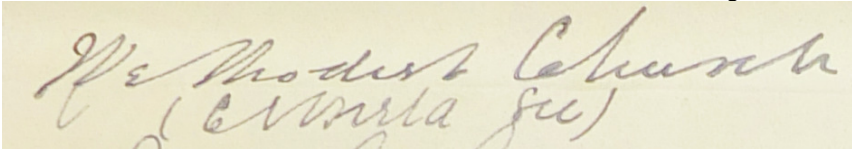
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George Gibson	Rahotu	E. Grimmitt	1911 George Gibson, Oaonui, farmer
G. E. C. Prosser	Rahotu	E. Grimmitt	1911 Garnet Eyles Chambers Prosser, Rahotu, farmer
Kate Fleming	Rahotu	George Gibson	
L. E. V. Billing	Rahotu	George Gibson	1911 Lawrence Edward Victor Billing, Rahotu, assistant farmer
T. L. Billing	Rahotu	George Gibson	1911 Thomas Leonard Billing, Rahotu, farm hand
Percy James	Rahotu	George Gibson	1911 Percy James, Rahotu, farmer
John Ward	Rahotu	George Gibson	1911 John Ward, Ngariki Road, Rahotu, farm hand
N. C. Morgan	Rahotu	George Gibson	1911 Nelson Claude Morgan, Ngariki Road, Rahotu, farmer
R. Newport	Rahotu	George Gibson	1928 Ralph Newport, Okahu Road, Rahotu, farm hand
C. W. Field	Rahotu	George Gibson	1896 Charles William Field, Purangi, schoolmaster
A. E. Williams	Rahotu	George Gibson	1928 Alfred Edward Williams, Ngariki Road, Rahotu, farmer
P. Ward	Rahotu	George Gibson	1914 Percy Ward, Ngariki Road, Rahotu, farmer
H. Johnston	Rahotu	George Gibson	1928 Hugh Johnstone, Main South Road, Rahotu, farmer
Fredk. B. Brewer	Rahotu	George Gibson	1919 Frederick Babington Brewer, Ngariki Road, Rahotu, farmer
J. Macfie	Oaonui	George Gibson	1911 James Macfie junior, Arawhata Road, Oaonui, settler
E. Maxwell	Opunake	George Gibson	1890 Ebenezer Maxwell, Opunake, settler
T. Fleming	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1905 Thomas Fleming, Kina Road, Oaonui, farmer (Hawera ER)
G. Robertson	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1919 George Robertson, Rahotu, carpenter
T. P. Hughson	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1890 Thomas Pole Hughson, Okato, farmer
W. H. Buller	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	
L. Fischer	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1919 Louis Fischer, Rahotu, farmer
T. Willcox	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1905 Thomas Willcox, Rahotu, farmer (Taranaki ER)
Percy Sole	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1914 Percy Charles Sole, Manihi Road, Oaonui, farmer
K. F. Andrews	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1911 Kenneth Frederick Andrews, Rahotu, canvasser
A. F. Chapman	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1896 Arthur Frederick Chapman, Rahotu, settler (Taranaki ER)
W. H. Morgan	Rahotu	J. N. Stephenson	1914 William Hurford Morgan, Oakura, farm assistant (Taranaki ER)



<u>Signature</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Egmont Electoral Roll</u>
F. Wallis	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	
... Church	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1928 James Stuart Church, Domett St, Opunake, medical practitioner
			
J. A. Colmer	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1900 John Abrams Colmer, Rahotu, blacksmith (Taranaki ER)
Quickenden Bros	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	
A. A. Gray	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1905 Alexander Armstrong Gray, Rahotu, farm hand (Taranaki ER)
James Corrie (mark of)	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1890 James Corrie, Rahotu, settler
W. A. Wright	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1896 William Austin Wright, Cardiff, farmer
H. R. Nielson	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1919 Henry Rasmus Neilson, Main South Rd, Otakeho, farmer
A. Hamill	Pungarehu	T. P. Hughson JP	1911 Alexander Hamill, Puniho Road, farmer (Taranaki ER)
A. Cameron	Rahotu (for Barrett & Cameron)	T. P. Hughson JP	1919 Angus Cameron, Rahotu, dairy factory manager
V. Tyrrell	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	1905 Vincent Seymour Tyrrell, Rahotu, farmer (Taranaki ER)
M. Clarke	Rahotu	T. P. Hughson JP	

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*The Opunake Times Tuesday February 10, 1925 – Opunake Electric-Power Board – Notice*

In pursuance of the provisions of the Electric-power Board's Acts, 1918, and Amendments, public notice is hereby given that on expiry of one month from the first date of this notice, a petition signed by not less than twenty five per cent of the ratepayers of part of the Rahotu Riding and the Newall Riding of the Egmont County as described in the said petition, will be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General praying to be included in the Board's district. Copies of the Petition and Plans may be inspected at the office of the Egmont County Council. Dated at Opunake this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 1925. J. N. Stephenson, Secretary.

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*Opunake Times Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1921 – In the Matter of the Opunake Electric Power District*

Notice is hereby given that on expiry of one month from the first date of this notice it is the intention to make application to His Excellency the Governor General to constitute the Oeo Riding the Opua Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding, of the Egmont County, together with the Opunake Town District, the inner area of an Electric-power District, and the remaining part of the Egmont County an outer-area of such Electric-power District, under the Electric power Boards Act 1908 and amendments thereof. Copies of the Petition and Plan may be inspected at the County Council Office and at the Town Board Office. Chas. A. Trotter, Chairman Opunake Town Board. Opunake 24/6/21.

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In the Matter of the Electric Power Boards Act 1918 to His Excellency the Governor General, Dominion of New Zealand the humble petition of the undersigned sheweth

That whereas the Opunake Town Board has been issued a license to use water from the Waiaua River for the purpose of generating electricity, and a license to construct and use electric lines in the area described as the Opunake Survey District, (including the Town Opunake), and that portion of the Oeo Survey District, bounded on the north by the Opunake Survey District, on the West and South by the Tasman Sea, and on the east by the Oeo River (Gazette No.63 page 1562, dated 29<sup>th</sup> May 1919).

And whereas at a public meeting held in Opunake, a request, on a resolution moved by the Chairman of the Egmont County Council, was made to the Opunake Town Board to allow an Electric-power Board to be formed to take over the said licenses and enable a large part of the Egmont County to assist in the work, and participate in the benefits.

And whereas the Opunake Town Board is willing to allow the said licenses to be handed over to an Electric-power Board provided always that the whole of the liabilities incurred by the said Town Board are also taken by the proposed Electric-power Board.

And whereas your petitioners will offer no objections to the proposed area being merged in a larger Power Board at a later date as your Excellency may direct.

[1] That we the undersigned petitioners, are not less than one fourth of the Ratepayers within each proposed constituent district within the area hereinafter described, which area it is desired by your petitioners shall be constituted an Electric-power District, under "The Electric-power Boards Act 1918."

[2] That the description of the boundaries of the said area is as set out in the First Schedule hereto.

[3] That the proposed constituent districts within the said area are as follows. (a) The Town District of Opunake. (b) Part of the County of Egmont (the whole of the Oeo Riding, the whole of the Opuia Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding as shown on the plan herewith.

[4] That it is proposed to constitute an outer area, within the meaning of the said Act, the area described in the Second Schedule hereto.

[5] That the said proposed outer area comprises that part of the Rahotu Riding of the Egmont County as shown on the plan herewith, not included in the First Schedule.

[6] That the number of ratepayers, and the value, improved and unimproved, of all ratable property within each of the above-mentioned proposed constituent districts are as follows.

Constituent Districts

Part of the Egmont County viz.

(a) The whole of the Oeo Riding	147	506,141	291,563
(b) The whole of the Opuia Riding	173	323,818	141,557
(c) Part of the Rahotu Riding	60	101,822	49,269
(d) The Town District of Opunake	380	931,781	482,389
	196	107,872	53,764
Totals	576	1039,653	536,153

[7] That the number of members proposed to constitute the Board for the said Electric-power District is 7 and the number of members proposed to be elected by each constituent district is as follows.

Opunake Town District	2
The part of Egmont County within the area	5
Number of members	7

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Excellency will be graciously pleased to declare the area described in the First Schedule hereto an Electric-power District, and the area described in the Second Schedule hereto an outer area of such district and to assign to such district the name of "The Opuake Electric-power District."

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray

#### The First Schedule

All that area of land in the Taranaki Land District comprising the Town District of Opunake, and that portion of the Egmont County comprising the Oeo Riding, the Opua Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding, bounded as follows, commencing at the North East corner of the Opua Riding, to the South by the northern boundary of the Opua Riding, to the west by the sea, to the north by the Moutoti Stream from the sea to the Northwest corner of sub 5 (of Sec. 39), Blk 3 Opunake S.D. thence along the Northern boundaries of Subs 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 in Blk 3 Opunake S.D. and Subs 12 and 13 Blk 4 Opunake S.D. to the Forest Reserve, to the North east corner of the Opua Riding, being the point of commencement, bordered red on plan.

#### The Second Schedule – Outer Area

All that land in the Taranaki Land District comprising the area of land in the Egmont County which is not included in the areas given in the First Schedule, bordered neutral on plan.

## Opunake Town District

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Egmont Electoral Roll</u>
J. W. Bishop	Opunake	A. O. B.	1896 John Walter Bishop, Egmont Rd, farmer (Taranaki ER)
C. Feaver	Opunake	A. O. B.	
A. E. Parkes	Opunake	A. O. B.	1919 Alfred Edward Parkes, Opunake, driver
John P. Burton	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 John Percival Burton, Opunake, draper
Waiatarema	Opunake	A. O. B.	
J. Hickey	Opunake	A. O. B.	
H. Sisley	Opunake	A. O. B.	
Charles Callaghan	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Charles Callaghan, Opunake, baker
Ruomoetopuna	Opunake	A. O. B.	
F. Julian	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Frank Julian, Taungatara, Opunake, farmer
A. E. Brunette	Te Kiri	A. O. B.	1914 Albert Edward Brunette, Opunake, hotelkeeper
Estate J. Twomey	Opunake	A. O. B.	
H. Munro	Opunake	A. O. B.	1890 Hector Munro, Pihama, labourer
D. O'Sullivan	Opunake	A. O. B.	
J. F. Shepherd	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 John Franklin Shepherd, Rahotu, house decorator
E. J. Clare	Opunake	A. O. B.	
A. Hansan	Opunake	A. O. B.	
C. Sorrensen	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Christensen Sorrensen, Opunake, contractor
D. Mourie	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Daniel Mourie, Arawhata Road, Oaonui, farmer
A. W. Moore	Opunake	A. O. B.	
F. Hammond	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Frederick Hammond, Opunake, coachbuilder
J. Kirkwood	Opunake	A. O. B.	
M. Grover	Opunake	A. O. B.	1914 Margaret Grover, Whitcombe St, Opunake, married
C. A. Woolford	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Charles Ambrose Woolford, Eltham Rd, Te Kiri, farmer
Plow Thomson	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Plouw Thompson, Pihama, carpenter
Walter L. F. Chambers	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Walter Lawrence Frederic Chambers, Opunake, carter
H. M. Bartle	Oaonui	A. O. B.	1911 Henry Martin Bartle, Arawhata Rd, Opunake, sawmiller
John P. Burton	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 John Percival Burton, Opunake, draper
T. Wallis	Opunake	A. O. B.	1911 Thomas Wallis, Opunake, bootmaker

The Electric-Power Boards Act 1918

I, Arthur O'Brien, of Opunake, Clerk of the Opunake Town Board, do solemnly and sincerely declare:-

[1] That the total number of ratepayers in Opunake Town District is 196

[2] That the value of all rateable property in the said district is £107,872 improved value, and £53,764 unimproved, value

[3] That the persons signing the attached petition as ratepayers of the said district, are ratepayers of that district.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act 1908.

Declared at Opunake this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1921, before me Edward J. Dudley, Justice of the Peace

I, Arthur O'Brien, of Opunake, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the signatures affixed to the attached petition initialled by me are the genuine signatures of the persons whose signatures they purport to be. That such persons are ratepayers of the constituent district of "The Opunake Town District." And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act 1908. Declared at Opunake this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1921 before me Edward J. Dudley, Justice of the Peace.

## The Opunake Power District

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Witness</u>	<u>Egmont Electoral Roll</u>
M. O'Brien	Ihaia Road, Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Michael O'Brien, Ihaia Road, Opunake, farmer
Robert Ferguson	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Robert Ferguson, Kaupokonui, farmer
M. J. MacReynolds	Opunake	A.O.B.	1890 Marcus John MacReynolds, Pungarehu, storekeeper Opunake Town Block XXIX Sections 5 & 7; Block XXX Section 8
Eleanor Watts	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Eleanor Watts, Opunake, married
J. M. Hickey	Opunake	A.O.B.	1890 John Michael Hickey, Opunake, settler – Opunake Town XLI Sec 7
Stitt & Horne	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	
F. E. G. Gapper	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Frederick Edward Gyllenereutz Gapper, Kaweora Rd, farmer
J. M. Hickey Jnr	Opunake	A.O.B.	
John Hickey Jnr	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Thos. S. Cox	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Thomas Samuel Cox, Kaweora Rd, Opunake, farmer
F. W. Rowland	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Frederick Wallace Rowland, Opunake, labourer
J. G. Machray	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1928 John Gordon Machray, Te Kiri, farmer
J. S. McKenzie	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 James Stuart McKenzie, Te Kiri, farm hand
Walter C. Clement	Eltham	A.O.B.	1911 Walter Charles Clement, Eltham, farmer
Harry Clement	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1914 Harry Clement, Kiri Road, Te Kiri, sawmill hand
J. C. Cox	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 John Charles Cox, Waiteika Road, Opunake, farmer
E. W. Fasham	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1928 Edward William Fasham, Wateika Rd, Te Kiri, dairy farmer
G. H. Gifkins	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 George Henry Gifkins, Te Kiri, farmer
F. Carter	Ihaia Road	A.O.B.	1911 Frederick Carter, Opunake, farmer
M. Brophy	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Martin Brophy, Opunake, farmer
N. Simpson	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1890 Norman Simpson, Pungarehu, lighthouse-keeper
W. McNeil	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 William McNeil, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
T. H. H. Sinclair	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Thomas Henry Herbert Sinclair, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
G. Feaver	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Geoffrey Feaver, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
M. Barrett	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Michael Barrett, Kina Road, Oaonui, farmer
J. G. Chamberlain	Opunake	A.O.B.	1914 John Grimmer Chamberlain, Tayler St, Eltham, farmer
J. Humphries	Opunake	A.O.B.	
C. Humphries	Opunake	A.O.B.	1890 Charles Humphries, Opunake, settler
D. Mourie	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Daniel Mourie, Arawhata Road, Oaonui, farmer
Huston Young	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Huston Young, Kina Road, Oaonui, farmer

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A. C. Feaver	Opunake	A.O.B.	1914 Arthur Charles Feaver, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
M. Callander	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Michael Callander, Opunake, settler
J. Feaver Jnr	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 John Feaver Jnr, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
F. Tindle	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Francis Tindle, Te Kiri, farmer
H. A. V. Jordan	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1928 [ER Patea] Henry Albert Victor Jordan, Nolan Rd, Hawera, farmer
J. Crofskey	Pihama	A.O.B.	1919 John Crofskey, Skeet Road, Pihama, farmer
J. Alex. Pettigrew	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 James Alexander Pettigrew, Pihama, farm labourer
A. McKeown	Pihama	A.O.B.	1890 Arthur McKeown, Pihama, farmer – Opunake Block XIII Section 14
D. Harrop	Pihama	A.O.B.	1914 David Harrop, Pihama, blacksmith
P. S. Riley	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 Philip Sebastian Riley, Pihama, postmaster
Opunake Racing Club	Pihama	A.O.B.	
G. Harrop	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 George Harrop, Pihama, settler
C. Harrop	Pihama	A.O.B.	
R. Lambie	Pihama	A.O.B.	1890 Robert Lambie, Pihama, settler – Oeo Block II Section 18
W. P. Walshe	Pihama	A.O.B.	1919 William Patrick Walshe, Normanby, hotelkeeper
W. Harris	Pihama	A.O.B.	1890 William Harris, Opunake Road, farmer
Hoka Koratau	Pihama	A.O.B.	

R. S. Campbell	Pihama	A.O.B.	1928 Robert Smith Campbell, Patiki Road, Pihama, farmer
Mrs S. V. Thomas	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	

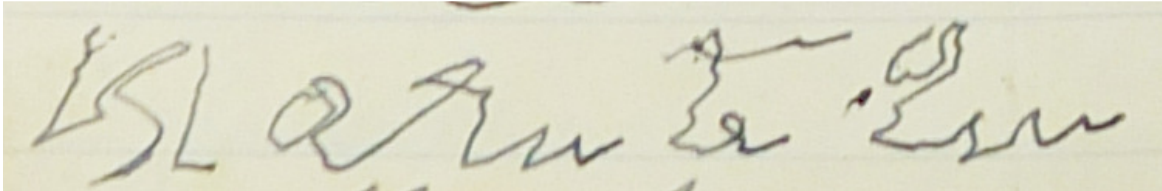


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David Hickford	Awatuna	A.O.B.	1928 David Hickford, Okato, farm hand
A. J. Marshall	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1914 Alfred John Marshall, Waitino Road, Te Kiri, share-milker
Rye Brothers	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 Frederick Rye and William Rye, Waitieka Road, Te Kiri, farmers
F. M. Hall	Awatuna	A.O.B.	1914 Frederick Matthew Hall, Mountain Road, Eltham, share-milker
H. McCarrison	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1914 Henry McCarrison, Te Kiri, farmer
George... Thomas	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 George Arthur Thomas, Te Kiri, farmer
O. Stockwell	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Oscar Fred Thomas Stockwell, Te Kiri, farmer
J. Brown	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 James Brown, Te Kiri, farmer
Ngakiekie	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Wiki Ngamare	Opunake (her mark)	A.O.B.	
Rangi Kaiohea	Opunake	A.O.B.	

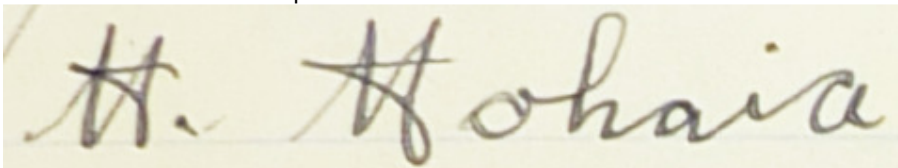
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- Ngakiekie
- Wiki Ngamare (with 'her mark' written above the signature)
- Rangi Kaiohea

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J. C. O'Rorke	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1890 John Callaghan O'Rorke, Oaonui, farmer
D. Markham	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 David Markham, Opunake, clerk
S. J. Clegg	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Samuel James Clegg, Oaonui, farmer
G. J. Clegg	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 George Joseph Clegg, Oaonui, farmer
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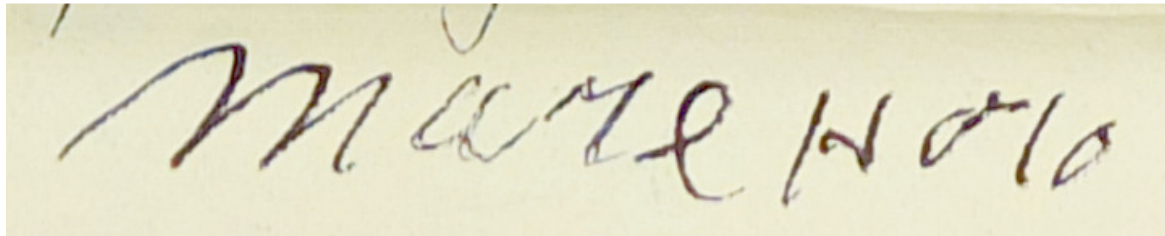


P. Cook	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Paul Cook, Oaonui, settler
Taihakapu Bishop	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1919 [ER Western Maori] Taihakapu, Taranaki, Ngati-Tara, Opunui Male
Tosland Brothers	Pihama	A.O.B.	
Fs. Read	Pihama	A.O.B.	1890 Francis Read, Pihama, settler
C. H. Fischer	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 Charles Henry Fischer, Watino Road, Pihama, farmer
A. R. Stevenson	Pihama	A.O.B.	1919 Arthur Robert Stevenson, Pihama, farmer
J. Horgan	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 John Joseph Horgan, Te Kiri, farmer
A. Montague Sims	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 Alan Mongagu Sims, Te Kiri, farmer
R. C. Watson	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Robert Charles Watson, Te Kiri, labourer
E. G. Holmes	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Emanuel George Holmes, Opunake, farmer
E. G. Baylis	Opunake	A.O.B.	1914 Edward George Baylis, Opunake, farmer
D. W. Hickey	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 David William Hickey, Eltham Road, Opunake, farmer
John De Castro	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 John De Castro, Opunake, farmer
H. Hohaia	Opunake	A.O.B.	

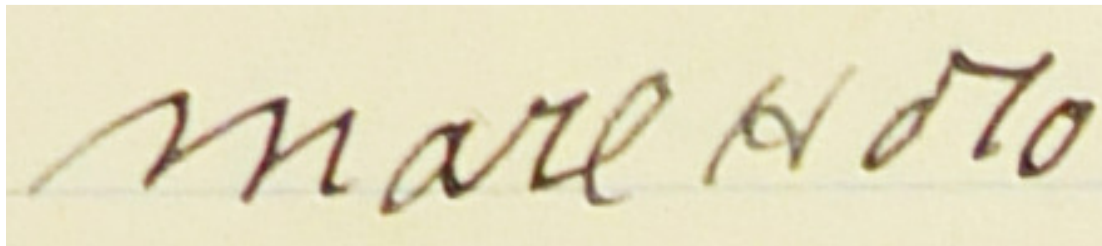


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H. Munro	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Hector Ferguson Munro, Dommett Street, Opunake, contractor
J. Young	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 James Young, Oaonui, farmer
Estate J. Twomey, K.T.	Opunake	A.O.B.	1914 Kate Edith Twomey, Patiki Road, Te Kiri, widow
W. H. A. Wilson	Oaonui	C.A.W.	1911 William Henry Allwright Wilson, South Road, Opuā, settler
S. J. Richards	Pihama	C.A.W.	1914 Sydney James Richards, Patiki Road, Pihama, farmer
M. Lambie	Pihama	C.A.W.	
Sam R. Feaver	Opunake	C.A.W.	1911 Samuel Russell Feaver, Opunake, farmer
H. N. McLellan	Te Kiri	C.A.W.	1911 Hugh Napier McLellan, Te Kiri, farmer
W. Coneglan	Pihama	C.A.W.	1928 William Coneglan, Patiki Road, Pihama, dairy farmer
S. Campbell	Pihama	C.A.W.	1911 Samuel Campbell, Pihama, farmer (& Samuel Jnr, farm hand)
D. O'Sullivan	Opunake	C.A.W.	1911 Daniel O'Sullivan, Waiteika Road, Opunake, settler
Morto Hickey	Opunake	C.A.W.	1890 Morto Hickey, Opunake, settler
Hugh McCann	Opunake	C.A.W.	1911 Hugh McCann, Patiki Road, Te Kiri, farmer
A. Walter Wan	Opunake	C.A.W.	1914 Alec Walter Wan, Ihaia Road, Opunake, farmer
E. J. O'Hanlon	Pihama	C.A.W.	1919 Ernest James O'Hanlon, Pihama, farmer
J. F. Shepherd	Opunake	C.A.W.	1914 John Franklin Shepherd, Opunake, house decorator
E. Lewis	Opunake	C.A.W.	1911 Edward Lewis, Opunake, farmer
R. J. Campbell	Opunake	C.A.W.	1911 Robert John Campbell, Pihama, farm labourer
G. Holmes Snr	Oaonui	C.A.W.	1911 George Antonio Madoux Holmes, Oaonui, farmer
J. O'Sullivan	Opunake	C.A.W.	
C. Horgan	Pihama	C.A.W.	1911 Cornelius Horgan, Nopera Road, Pihama, farm hand
E. S. Forsyth	Pihama	C.A.W.	1911 Edward Stuart Forsyth, Pihama, farmer
A. H. Stevenson	Pihama	C.A.W.	1928 Alexander Henderson Stevenson, Pihama, farmer
J. McHardy	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 John McHardy, Pihama, settler
J. Pettigrew	Pihama	A.O.B.	1911 John Pettigrew, Pihama, farmer
S. Price	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Frank Julian	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Frank Julian, Taungatara, Opunake, farmer
F. F. Barraclough	Opunake	A.O.B.	1919 Frank Fletcher Barraclough, Opunake, butcher
T. Wallis	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Thomas Wallis, Opunake, bootmaker
F. Goodey	Opunake	A.O.B.	1919 Frank Goodey, Ihaia Road, Opunake, labourer
Mrs Morris	Opunake	A.O.B.	
M. E. Mason	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Mary Ellen Mason, Te Kiri, widow
W. F. Baylis	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Walter Francis Baylis, Opunake, farmer
Manu Mitchell	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1914 Manu Mitchell, Oaonui, farm hand
J. C. Barrett	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1928 John Columbus Barrett, Opunake, farmer

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P. Fleming	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Pat Fleming, Kina Road, Oaonui, farmer
S. E. Gilmer	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Sarah Ellen Gilmer, Oaonui, married
Wm. Pentelow	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 William Pentelow, Kina Road, Oaonui, farmer
Mare Horo	Rahotu	A.O.B.	

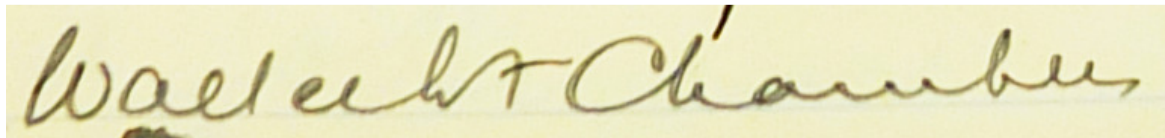


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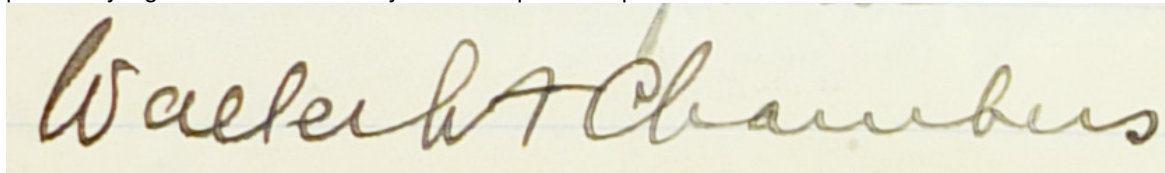


Ngahina	Oaonui	A.O.B.	
E. M. Reynolds	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1928 Edward Mahomead Reynolds, Oaonui, storekeeper
R. Malcolm	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Robert Malcolm, Oaonui, farmer
W. W. Vickery	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Walter William Vickery, Arawhata Road, Oaonui, farmer
W. Markham	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 William Markham, Oaonui, farmer
L. B. Whittington	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Louisa Beatrice Whittington, Opunake, married
H. F. Field	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Harry Fenton Field, Oaonui, farmer
C. A. Woolford	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Charles Ambrose Woolford, Opunake, settler

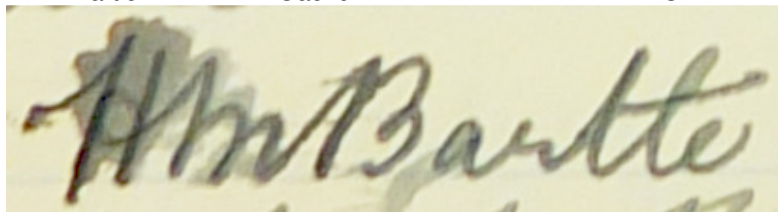
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Walter L. F. Chambers	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Walter Lawrence Frederic Chambers, Opunake, carter

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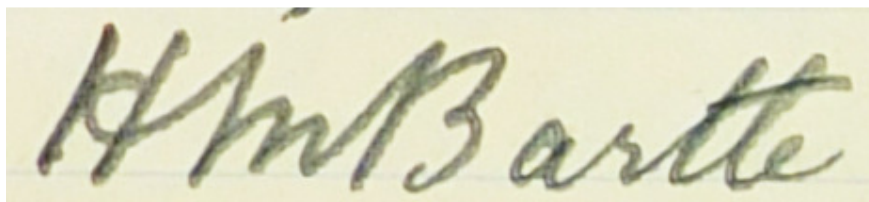
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A second close-up photograph of the same handwritten signature "Walter L. F. Chambers" as seen in the previous image, showing a different angle or lighting.

G. Bevan	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 George Bevan, Oaonui, settler
H. M. Bartle	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Henry Martin Bartle, Arawhata Rd, Opunake, sawmiller

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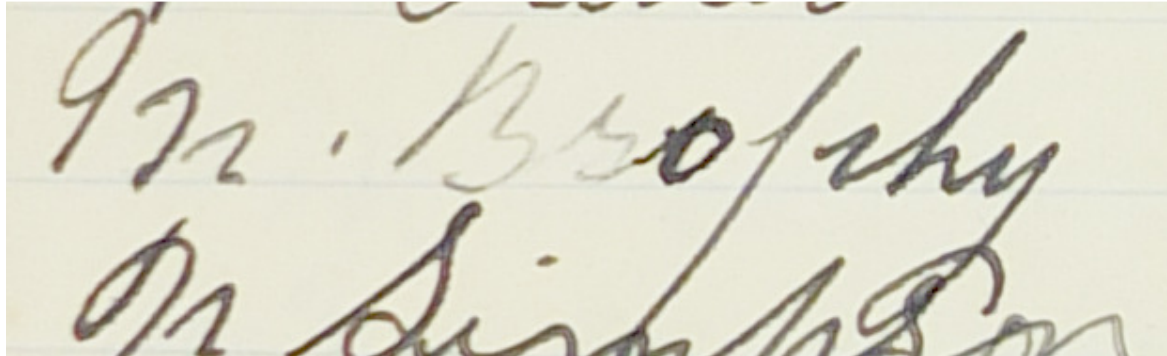
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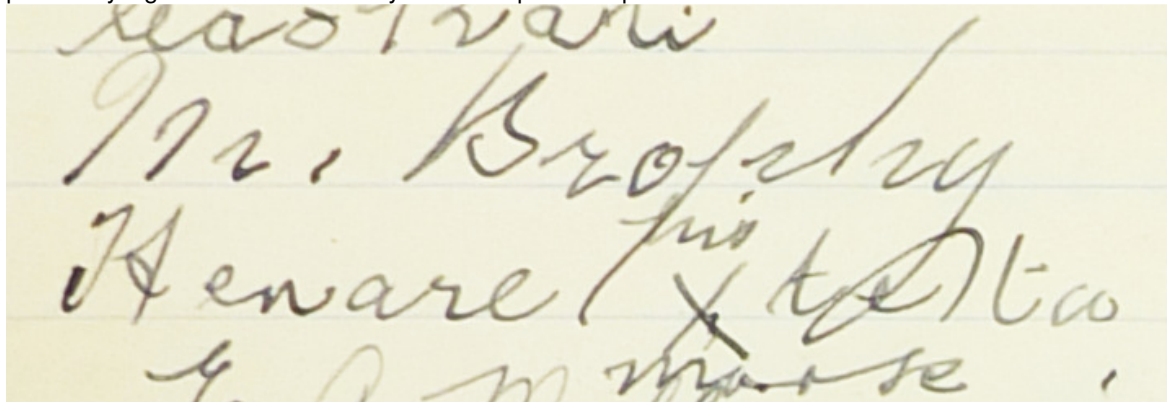
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C. G. King	Opunake	A.O.B.	1890 Cato George King, Opunake, settler
S. Campbell Jnr	Opunake	A.O.B.	1928 Samuel Campbell Jnr, Waiteika Road, Opunake, farmer
Geog. Clegg	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 George Joseph Clegg, Oaonui, farmer
Thos. Austin & Cox	Opunake	A.O.B.	1919 Thomas Austin, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
John Sinclair	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 John Sinclair, Opua Road, Opunake, farmer
Joe Hohaia	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Charles Edward Warren	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Charles Edward Warren, Arawhata Road, Opunake, engine driver
D. P. O'Sullivan	Opunake	A.O.B.	1919 Daniel O'Sullivan, Waiteika Road, Opunake, settler



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M. Brophy	Opunake	A.O.B.	1911 Martin Brophy, Opunake, farmer

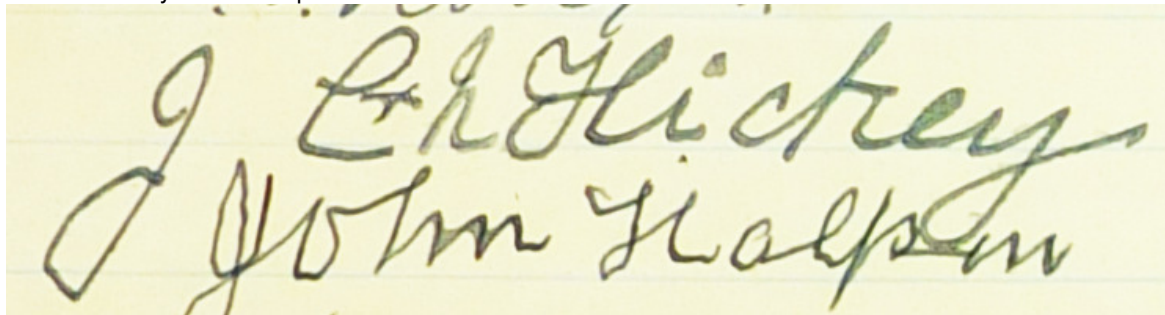


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Henare te Ita (his mark)	Opunake	A.O.B.	
E. A. Mulligan	Opunake	A.O.B.	1914 Edward Augustine Mulligan, Ihaia Road, Opunake, labourer
Corkill & Petty	Pihama	A.O.B.	

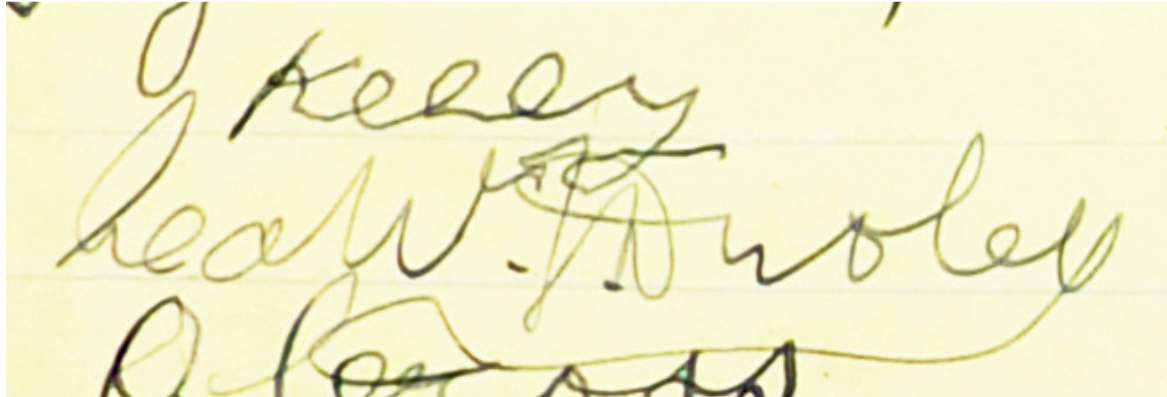
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Albert Bird	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1911 Albert Bird, Watino Road, Pihama, farmer
C. H. Hurst	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1914 Christopher Hodson Hurst, Te Kiri, farmer
Estate D. McGregor	Te Kiri F. McGregor Executor	A.O.B.	1911 Donald McGregor, Te Kiri, farmer
F. F. M. Flavall	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1919 Farquhar Frederick McLeod Flavall, Te Kiri, farmer
E. I. Rodger	Te Kiri	A.O.B.	1928 Edward Irving Rodger, Te Kiri, storekeeper
J. C. N. Hickey	Opunake	A.O.B.	



John Halpin	Opunake	A.O.B.	1919 John Halpin, Te Ngamu Road, Opunake, farmer
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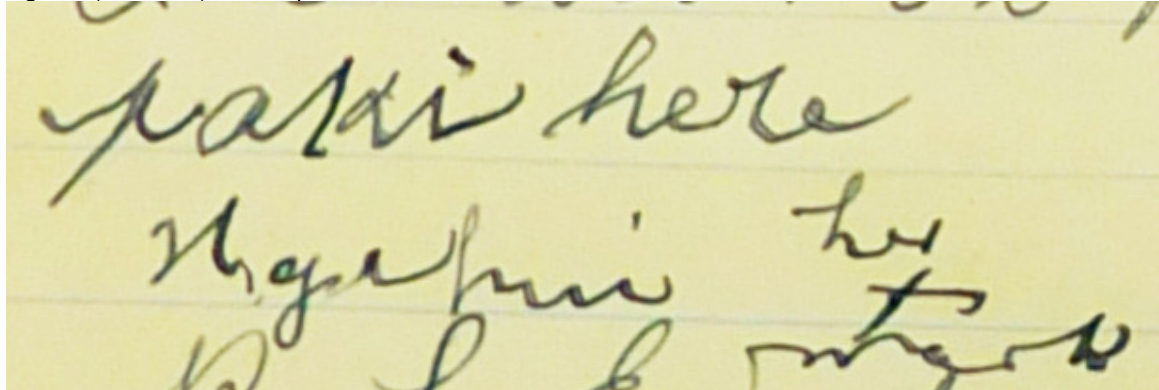
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Kelly	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Leo W. Dudley	Opunake	A.O.B.	



A. Cross	Opunake	A.O.B.
J. W. Bishop	Opunake	A.O.B.
L. E. Cross	Opunake	A.O.B.
E. S. Walsh	Opunake	A.O.B.

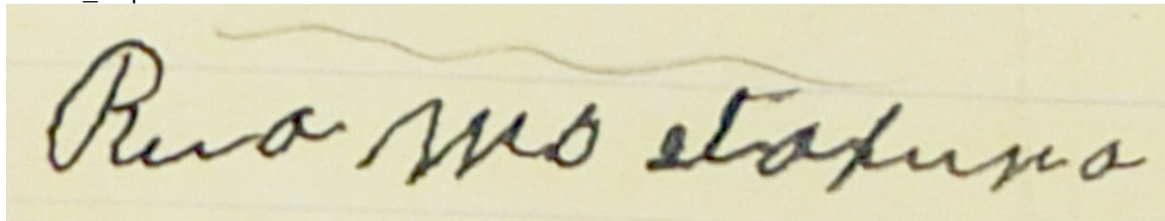
Lilly Ellen Cross, Opua Road, Opunake, domestic duties  
Ethel Stafford Walsh, Opua Road, Opunake, married

Signature	Address	Witness	Egmont Electoral Roll
Pakihere	Opunake	A.O.B.	
Ngahiri (her mark)	Opunake	A.O.B.	



R. L. Eustace	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Robert Leonard Eustace, Oaonui, farmer
A. McQuaig	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1911 Alexander McQuaig, Oaonui, farmer
T. Gardner	Oaonui	A.O.B.	1928 Thomas Gardner, Kina Road, farmer

Rua W\_etapuna A.O.B.



### The Electrical Power Boards Act 1918

I, George William Rogers, of Opunake, Clerk of the Egmont County Council, do solemnly and sincerely declare

1. That the total number of ratepayers in that part of the Egmont County comprising the proposed Opunake Electric-power District is 380.
2. That the value of all ratable property in the said district is £931,781 improved value and £482,389 unimproved value.
3. That the persons signing the attached petition as ratepayers of the said district, are ratepayers of that district.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act 1908.  
Declared at Opunake this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 1921 Signed S. Campbell, Justice of the Peace.

I, C. A. Woolford, of Opunake, do solemnly and sincerely declare –

That the signatures affixed to the attached petition initialled by me are the genuine signatures of the persons whose signatures they purport to be.

That such persons are ratepayers of the constituent district of “That part of the Egmont County comprising the Oeo Riding, the Opua Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding, as shown on plan herewith.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act 1908  
Declared at Opunake this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1921 before me Geo. W. Rogers, Justice of the Peace

I, Arthur O'Brien, of Opunake, do solemnly and sincerely declare

That the signatures affixed to the attached petition installed by me are the genuine signatures of the persons whose signatures they purport to be.

That such persons are ratepayers of the constituent district of “That part of the Egmont County comprising the Oeo Riding, the Opua Riding, and part of the Rahotu Riding, as shown on plan herewith.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act 1908.  
Declared at Opunake this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1921 before me Edward J. Dudley, Justice of the Peace.

Agreement made this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 1921 between His Majesty of the one part and the Opunake Town Board (hereinafter called the said Board) of the other part Whereas the said Board being desirous of constructing Electric works was (for the purpose of generating electricity) by an Order-in-Council dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1919 granted a License to take and use water from the Waiaua River and to enter upon such roads railways and other lands mentioned Subject however to such restrictions as contained in the said License and Whereas under the provisions of "The Electric Power Boards Act 1918" a Petition is about to be presented to The Governor General praying that certain areas of land within the Egmont County in the Land District of Taranaki be constituted an Electric Power District and Whereas the said Electric Power District has not yet been proclaimed or constituted and Whereas the said Board is desirous that when the said Electric Power District shall be duly proclaimed or constituted and the Electric Power Board thereafter duly elected the said Electric Power Board shall undertake to and shall construct and erect all necessary works and do all such acts, matters and things as shall or may be necessary or required for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of and in the Opunake Town District with sufficient electricity for lighting, heating power, and all other reasonable purposes And for the purpose of enabling the said Electric Power Board to obtain the rights and powers under the said License the said Board In Consideration of the Governor General declaring or proclaiming the area mentioned in the said Petition to be an Electric Power District and of an Electric Power Board being duly elected therefore the said Board hereby agrees with His Majesty that it the said Board will surrender or cause to be surrendered the said License of the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1919 or if required by the said Electric Power Board so to do will assign or transfer the said License to the said Electric Power Board subject however to the express condition that the said Electric Power Board shall undertake to and shall construct and erect all necessary works and do all such acts, matters, and things as shall or may be necessary or required for the purpose of supplying and shall supply the inhabitants of the Opunake Town District with sufficient electricity for lighting heating power and all other reasonable purposes And shall undertake to and shall pay all liabilities, costs, charges, and expenses incurred by the said Board in connection with the Electric Scheme undertaken or promoted by the said Board prior to the date on which the liabilities of the said Board are taken over by the Electric Power Board (including all costs in connection with this agreement and the transfer or assignment, if any, of the said License).

In witness whereof this agreement has been duly executed the day and year first hereinbefore written. Sealed with the Common Seal of the Opunake Town Board and signed by C. A. Trotter and J. P. Burton and two Members of the said Board acting by direction and on behalf of the said Board pursuant to a resolution of the said Board passed on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 1921 in the presence of A. O'Brien, Town Clerk, Opunake.

