

You will see the old Committee are re-elected, and have elected me again as their Chairman. The householders' meeting was quite unanimous, thus proving that the district approves of the action of the Committee during the past year. This is quite in accordance with my letter to you of last week.

Further, I have to inform the Board that resolutions were passed by the meeting of householders of their "detestation of the malicious insinuations against the retiring School Committee, contained in the untruthful letters (just read) from Mr Carl Christensen to the Board," and "censuring the Board for unjustly withholding from the Committee a much-needed inquiry."

The above shows that the Committee have been truthful, and have done their duty under trying circumstances, and that the Board have been misled, and consequently have not done theirs. Is it too late to mend? or, having made a mistake, must the Board insist on refusing redress?

The Chairman, Board of Education, Auckland.

I remain, &c.,

THOMAS FISHER, Chairman.

DEAR SIR,—

Fairburn, 7th July, 1894.

At a meeting of the Fairburn's Road School Committee held this day the following resolution was passed unanimously "That, in view of the remarks of his Honour Judge Conolly at the trial *Wrigley v. Fisher*, on the duties and responsibilities of Committees under the Auckland Education Board, this Committee instruct their Chairman to give in to the Board the resignations of the whole of the Committee without delay."

I accordingly do so hereby, and remain,
The Chairman, Board of Education, Auckland.

Yours, &c.,

THOMAS FISHER, Chairman.

SIR,—

Education Board, Auckland, 23rd July, 1894.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 7th instant, forwarding the resignation of the School Committee. In reply, I am directed to inform you that the Board accepts the Committee's resignation, and will convene a meeting of the householders for the election of a new Committee.

I have, &c.,

VINCENT E RICE, Secretary

The Chairman of the District School Committee, Fairburn's Road.

SIRS,—

Fairburn, 20th August, 1894.

The householders held a meeting to-day in the Fairburn School to elect a Committee. Mr Prosser was elected chairman of the meeting, at which the following motion was proposed by John McKay, and seconded by Alexander Wallace "That this meeting express their sympathy with the late Committee, and approval of their conduct." This proposal was unanimously carried.

The following Committee were unanimously elected Alexander Wallace, W H. Prosser, James Meffen, Thomas Fisher, Alexander McKay
The Auckland Education Board.

SIR,—

Education Board, Auckland, 23rd July, 1894.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 20th instant, forwarding the names of persons elected to serve on the Committee, and stating that at the meeting of householders a resolution was passed expressing sympathy with the late Committee, and approval of their conduct.

I have, &c.,

VINCENT E RICE, Secretary.

The Chairman of the District School Committee, Fairburn's Road.

SECTION 2.—COPIES OF LETTERS FROM TEACHER, MISS WRIGLEY

SIR,—

Fairburn's, Mangonui, 2nd September, 1893.

With deep regret, I have the honour to inform you, that the new School Committee, with Mr Fisher as Chairman, met on the 1st September to inform me that my services as teacher of this school were no longer wanted, and proposed that I should write to the Board to ask for removal, if not, they would, said Mr Fisher, write themselves and propose my removal, and if put to that trouble they intimated that they would represent things to the Board in such a manner that my removal would be certain and disadvantageous to me. Now, if it were the desire of the parents of the pupils to wish for my removal I would, of course, comply with their request, but, as that is not so, I have decided not to ask for removal and so go against their wishes, as so far I have been quite satisfied with my present appointment. Before closing my letter, I may state that I have been subjected to a continuation of unpleasantness and petty annoyances by the new Committee brought to bear on me through the bad feeling existing between the parents of my scholars and the members of the said Committee, they, the parents, not recognising them (so far as I can gather) as a legal Committee.

Hoping my decision not to ask for removal for the two reasons before mentioned meets with the Board's approval,

The Secretary, Board of Education, Auckland.

I have, &c.

AGNES A. WRIGLEY