

Frederick Kershaw CROWTHER (1833-1907)

Baptism Register Bradford St Peter (Bradford Cathedral)

No.828 John Crowther, baptised 10 Aug 1831, son of Thomas and Judith Crowther of Bradford, Tailor

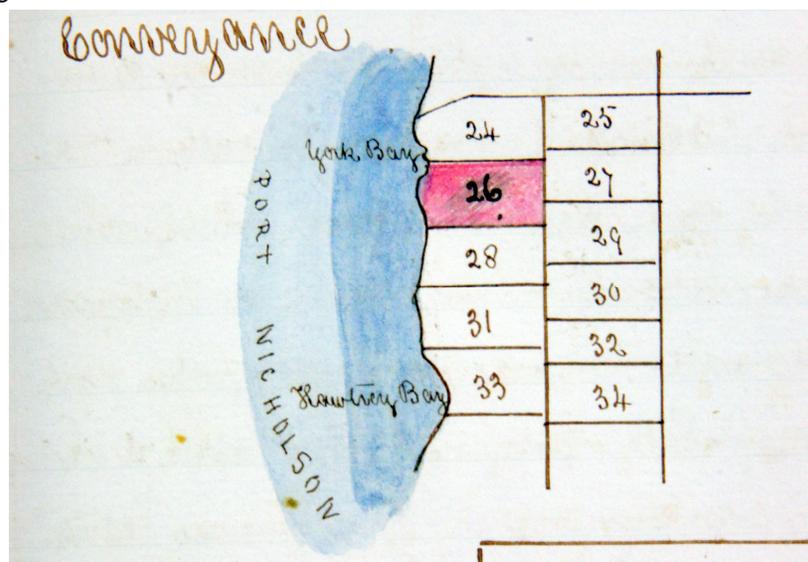
No.714 Frederic Kershaw Crowther, baptised 04 Aug 1833, son of Thomas and Judith Crowther of Bradford, Tailor

New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian 23 Mar 1853 Remember the Old Established Shop

Mr Thomas Crowther desires most respectfully to inform the Inhabitants of Wellington and neighbourhood, that he has recently added to the Tailoring and Drapery Business, the Hosiery and Ready Made Clothing Departments, which will be conducted by his Son, Mr Frederick K. Crowther. The goods have been supplied by one of the first Houses in London, and one call will be sufficient to satisfy intending Purchasers of their superior quality. Terms cash. Wellington, March 23, 1853.

Wellington District Deeds Register Volume 4 folio 449 - Archives NZ Wellington Reference AFIH 22395 W5691/103

Conveyance 2351 dated 28 Nov 1860. This Deed made the twenty eighth day of November one thousand eight hundred and sixty between William Bowler of the Town of Wellington in the Province of Wellington merchant of the one part and Frederick Kershaw Crowther of York Bay Harbour district, Port Nicholson in the same Province, farmer of the other part Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of seventy eight pounds sterling paid by the said Frederick Kershaw Crowther to the said William Bowler (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) the said William Bowler doth hereby convey and assure unto the said Frederick Kershaw Crowther and his heirs All that piece or parcel of land containing one hundred and ten acres or thereabouts situate in and being section number twenty six (26) on the Plan of the Harbour district in the Province of Wellington aforesaid. Bounded on the north by section number twenty four (24), on the south by section number twenty eight, on the east by section numbers twenty seven (27) and twenty nine (29) and on the west by the Harbour with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. As the same piece or parcel of land intended to be hereby conveyed is more particularly delineated and described in the plan drawn in the margin hereof and thereon colored red. Provided always that the covenants for



title to be herein implied shall extend to and be taken as against the Acts and deeds of the said William Bowler and all persons claiming under him only and not further or otherwise. In witness whereof the said parties hereto have hereunto subscribed their names. Signed by the said William Bowler in the presence of W. H. Meek, clerk, Cuba Street, Wellington and John Milsted, clerk, Willis Street, Wellington. Received for registration at a ¼ to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday the 3rd day of December 1860.

New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian 17 Dec 1864 Christmas Holidays Boxing Day Annual Steam Excursion

The public are respectfully informed that the Managing Committee of the Odd Fellows Hall have made arrangements with the N.Z.S.N. Company for one of their steamers, for an excursion to the delightful and picturesque grounds of G. Hart, Esq., at York Bay (Late the residence of Mr Crowther.) ...

Wellington Independent 12 Dec 1867 Advertisement

Freehold Dairy Farm for sale (within 16 miles of Wellington), in the Wainuiomata Valley, containing 287 acres of land, with substantial house and garden. The main road runs through the property, which is fenced with a four-rail fence. A quantity of sheep and cattle can be taken with the property, if required. For particulars, apply to F. K. Crowther, On the premises. December 11, 1867.

1870-1871 Hutt Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther of Lowry Bay District – Freehold qualification for Lowry Bay district, Section 1

1875-1876 Manawatu Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther of Foxton – Freehold and Leasehold qualifications for Township of Foxton, Sections No.216,217,218

Wanganui Chronicle 16 Sep 1875 Advertisement

Wellington Horticultural Repository. C. K. Jeffs, sole agent for Carler & Co., Royal Seedsmen. Now landing ex 'Rodney' Prize Agricultural, Garden and Flower Seeds. From Carter, Sutton, Beck, Bishop, Laing, and other famous Seed Farmers. Country Stores and the Trade dealt with on most liberal terms. All Seeds Tested and Guaranteed. Agencies – J. Fort, Wanganui; F. K. Crowther, Foxton; H. Phillips, Palmerston. Agencies wanted – Terms liberal, Aug 23.

Manawatu Times 07 Apr 1877 Civil Cases

F. K. Crowther v. H. Brewer, Claim £19 14s 2d. The defendant put in a set-off. The case was adjourned until next court day for the purpose of the plaintiff amending the bill of particulars. F.K. Crowther v. W. Byers, Claim £4 10s 2d. The Constable stated that he was unable to find the defendant, as he had gone away somewhere in the Hawke's Bay Province. The Magistrate said, already a heavy expense had been incurred in trying to find the defendant. He thought it was the duty of all plaintiffs to find out where the defendants were residing. F. K. Crowther v. Atkinson, Claim £17 15s 6d. The defendant had paid £3 into Court. Ordered to pay the balance at the rate of £3 a month, or in default two months' imprisonment.

Inwards Correspondence Immigration Department 1877 – Archives NZ Reference IM 3/1/4 1877/427

Letter written 16 Apr 1877 by the Office of the Emigration and Colonial Aid Corporation, Feilding to the Under Secretary of Immigration, Wellington. Sir, ... two daughters of George and Elizabeth FREAR who arrived in Wellington on 30 Nov 1874 by the ship Howrah. The children in question are very comfortably placed, the eldest being adopted by a Mr Joseph Masters, settler of Sandon, Manawatu. Mr Masters is a well to do farmer without any children of his own, and the child stands to them as a daughter and from my own knowledge I can state that she has a very happy home. The younger daughter has been similarly taken charge of by a Mr Crowther of Foxton, Manawatu and is equally well cared for as the elder sister. The Public Trustee has charge of the small property left behind by the deceased George Frear. I shall be happy to communicate any further information relative to the children which the relatives may desire to have, but in my opinion it would not be to the children's interests to remove them from the homes which have been so generously provided for them.

Manawatu Times 23 Jun 1877

A meeting of the creditors of J. S. Somers, tailor of Foxton, was held on Thursday, at the Court House, Foxton, Mr F. K. Crowther in the Chair. The meeting passed a resolution discharging the Bankrupt from his debts in terms of a deed signed by him assigning his estate real and personal to Mr J. J. Beatty in trust for his creditors.

Manawatu Times 14 Nov 1877 Advertisement

The Undersigned, proprietor of the "Railway General Store," Foxton, begs to inform his customers and the public generally that in future he will keep open his Store on Monday and Thursday Evenings until 8 o'clock, for the purpose of accomodating those who may require articles and wish to leave by the evening Train; and where goods of every description can be had, and at reasonable charges. Fredk. K. Crowther. Foxton, November 10th, 1877.

Manawatu Times 25 May 1878 Manawatu County Council

During the sitting of the Council the following accounts were passed:- F. K. Crowther, 18s...

Manawatu Herald 06 Sep 1878 Courts

The usual fortnightly sitting of the Resident Magistrate's Court was held at Foxton on Wednesday. The only business was a judgment summons, F. K. Crowther v. W. Moor, claim £2 6s 9d., which was adjourned for a fortnight.

Manawatu Herald 20 Sep 1878 Foxton Local Board

I hereby give notice that the following Candidates have been duly nominated for the office of Commissioner in the vacancy caused in such Board by the resignation of Alexander Gray, Esq, viz:- Alexander Gray, Frederick Kershaw Crowther – And I hereby appoint Monday, the 23rd day of September, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 6 o'clock p.m., as the time and day for the election of a Commissioner to fill the said vacancy. Dated at Foxton this sixteenth day of September 1878. Ernest S. Thynne, Returning Officer.

Manawatu Herald 09 May 1879 Notice

To be let or sold, on easy terms, a nine-roomed House with five town sections of land. Apply to Fredk. K. Crowther, Storekeeper.

Manawatu Herald 09 May 1879 Foxton Local Board

Tenders will be received at the office of the Foxton Local Board until the 30th May, 1879, for Clerk, Collector, and Overseer of Works, at per annum. Specifications of duties required to be seen at office of the Board. Fredk. K. Crowther, Chairman. Foxton, 8th May, 1879.

It is hereby notified that at the meeting of the above Board, held on the 2nd day of May, 1879, it was resolved that a rate of one shilling in the £ be levied on the annual value of all rateable property within the "Foxton Local Board District," and that such rate is for the current year, from the 1st day of April 1879 to the 31st day of March 1880. The rate will be due and payable on the 21st day of May 1879 at the office of the Board, Main street, Foxton. The Rate Book is now open for inspection, and will remain so until the 20th day of May. Fredk. K. Crowther, Chairman. Foxton, 8th May 1879.

Manawatu Herald 30 May 1879 In Bankruptcy

In the matter of "The Debtors and Creditors Act, 1876," and of the Amendment thereof, and of the bankruptcy of Henry Brown, of Foxton, baker, a debtor. Notice is hereby given that at a first meeting of the creditors of the above named Henry Brown, held at the Court House, Palmerston North, on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of May, 1879, the undersigned Frederick Kershaw Crowther, of Foxton, Storekeeper, was duly elected Creditors' Trustee of the property of the above-named Henry Brown, and that the said Frederick Kershaw Crowther has accepted the said Trusteeship and signified in writing such acceptance to me. Arthur S. B. Forster, Clerk of District Court, Palmerston North. Frederick Kershaw Crowther. Wm. S. Staite, Solicitor for the Debtor.

Manawatu Herald 06 Jun 1879 Resident Magistrate's Court

Civil cases. F. K. Crowther v. Jacobsen – claim £6 15s 1d. Summons not served.

Manawatu Herald 08 Aug 1879 Civil Cases

F. K. Crowther v. T. Morris – claim £32 17s 8d for goods sold. Judgement *ex parte* for amount and costs, 30s. F. K. Crowther v. Hohepa – claim £5 10s 6d. Judgment summons. Ordered to be paid in two weeks, in default 14 days' imprisonment in Wanganui Gaol. F. K. Crowther v. E. W. Birchwell – claim £1 9s 2d. Summons not served.

Manawatu Herald 07 Nov 1879 Resident Magistrate's Court

Civil cases. F. K. Crowther v. John Smith – claim £10 upon a dishonoured cheque. Plaintiff deposed to having seen defendant sign the cheque, which had been duly presented and dishonoured. Judgment *ex parte* for amount and costs, 16s.

Manawatu Herald 05 Dec 1879 Resident Magistrate's Court

Civil cases. F.K. Crowther v. Jno. Gillis – claim £5 5s judgment summons. Ordered to be paid by January 1, 1880; in default, 14 days' imprisonment in Wanganui Gaol.

Manawatu Herald 19 Dec 1879 Resident Magistrate's Court

F. K. Crowther v. Thos. Simmonds – claim £13 1s 3d, upon judgment summons. Ordered to be paid by January 1, 1880, in default one month's imprisonment in Wanganui Gaol.

Manawatu Herald 03 Jan 1880 In Bankruptcy

In the District Court of Wanganui, holden at Palmerston North. In the matter of "The Debtors and Creditors Act, 1876," and of the Amendment thereof, and of the bankruptcy of Frederick Kershaw Crowther, of Foxton, in the County of Manawatu, Storekeeper, a debtor. This is to notify that Frederick Kershaw Crowther, of Foxton, in the County of Manawatu, Storekeeper, has this day filed a statement that he is unable to meet his engagements with his creditors. The First Meeting of creditors to be held at the Court-house, Palmerston North, on Monday, the 12th day of January, 1880, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Dated this 31st day of December 1879. Arthur S. B. Forster, Clerk of the District Court, Palmerston North. C. L. McLean, Solicitor, Bulls.

Manawatu Herald 09 Jan 1880 Resident Magistrate's Court, Foxton

F. K. Crowther v. Turau – claim £27 7s 11d, upon a judgment summons. The Clerk explained that the plaintiff is now a bankrupt, and that the Clerk of the District Court had requested him to restrain all moneys received on account of the estate, no trustee having as yet been appointed. Ordered to be paid in three months, in default two months' imprisonment in Wanganui Gaol.

Manawatu Herald 13 Jan 1880 Meeting of Creditors

A meeting of creditors in the estate of Mr F. K. Crowther was held at Palmerston yesterday. Mr T. K. Macdonald, of Wellington, represented the firm of Jacob Joseph & Co, who hold a bill of sale. Mr Thynne was elected Chairman, and was also appointed trustee, Mr Wingate, of the firm of Waring Taylor & Co., being supervisor.

Evening Post 13 Feb 1880 Important Notice – Great Sale by Tender of a Bankrupt Stock at Foxton

Tenders are hereby invited, and will be received by the undersigned until noon of Friday, the 27th inst., for the whole of the valuable stock-in-trade, consisting of General Drapery, Fancy Goods, Clothing, Groceries, Ironmongery, &c., &c., amounting in Value at Cost Price (less depreciation) to £1652 5s4d, as held under a Bill of Sale, and which stock-in-trade is now in and upon the premises formerly occupied by one F. K. Crowther, a bankrupt, at Foxton. The successful Tenderer will have the benefit of the following liberal terms:- 25 per cent cash deposit on acceptance of tender. Balance by approved bills at 3, 6 and 9 months, bearing interest at 8 per cent per annum. The Stock Sheets, with full details, can be inspected at our offices, or on the premises, Foxton (where the stock is also on view), between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day. T. Kennedy Macdonald & Co., Agents for Vendors. Exchange Land and Mercantile Auction Rooms, Panama-street, Wellington, 13th February, 1880.

Manawatu Herald 02 Mar 1880 F. K. Crowther's Estate – Notice to Debtors

All accounts due to the above estate must be paid at once to the undersigned, at the offices of Messrs Thynne, Linton & Co., Foxton. Ernest S. Thynne, Trustee.

Manawatu Herald 25 Jun 1880 Thynne Linton & Co., Auctioneers

Messrs Thynne, Linton & Co. have been favored with instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by public auction, at their sale room, Foxton, on Saturday, 10th July, at 2 o'clock p.m., the following valuable leasehold property in Foxton Lot 2 The residue of a lease for the term of 9 years and 8 months, to be computed from the 1st day of August, 1874, at the yearly rental of one shilling, and made between Andrew Jonson, of the one part, and Frederick K. Crowther, of the other part, in all that piece of land, being the town section No.113, in the township of Foxton (except so much as was thereby reserved by the lessor for his occupation, being a frontage of 14 feet from the south-east corner of the said section, and extending back therefrom at a right angle 78 feet; and also that portion of ground reserved as a mutual right of way, adjoining the said piece of land reserved by the said lessor, and having a frontage of 8 feet to the Main Road, and extending back a distance of 78 feet, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging...

Manawatu Times 22 Sep 1880 News and Notes – Connubial Relations

The examinations of insolvent debtors very often throw some instructive light upon delicate little negotiations which occasionally take place between bankrupts and their wives. Such was the case during the hearing of an application before Judge Hardcastle for the discharge of Frederick Kershaw Crowther. The trustee opposed the application upon the ground that insolvent was possessed of two shares in a building society, which he refused to deliver up for the benefit of his creditors, upon the plea that they were his wife's. In examination by the Judge, the bankrupt admitted that his wife had never held property in her own right, but stated that she had some money when he married her. The Court explained that that would give her no right to invest her husband's money for her sole benefit, to the exclusion of his creditors, as whatever, she was possessed of at the time of the marriage became her husband's by the union. The contracting parties at the marriage ceremony, of course, take each other for "better or worse," but as far as the pecuniary position goes, the lady would appear to have "all worse and no better," the arrangement empowering the Benedict to say:- "What yours is mine, my dear; and what's mine is my own, my love." Time was allowed Mr Crowther to consider that phase of the matter, and to alter his plans accordingly, the certificate being withheld.

Manawatu Herald 01 Oct 1880 Auction Sale

The book debts in the estate of F. K. Crowther were auctioned, Mr W. G. Robinson, of Foxton, being the purchaser at £48.

Hawera and Normanby Star 26 Feb 1881 Opunake-Town Sections

Block XIII Section 11 Upset price £15, Price realised £16; F. K. Crowther, commission agent, Opunake...

Block XXVI Section 5 Upset price £12, Price realised £16; R. Phelan, A. C. Force; F. K. Crowther, commission agent, Opunake

Hawera and Normanby Star 02 Mar 1881 Opunake

The steamer Samson arrived on Wednesday with cargo for Mr Crowther, who has become a settler among us.

Manawatu Herald 11 Mar 1881 F. K. Crowther, A Bankrupt

A meeting of the Creditors in the above estate is hereby convened for Monday, the 14th March, at 10 o'clock a.m., at the offices of Thynne, Linton & Co. Ernest S. Thynne, Trustee.

Manawatu Times 19 Mar 1881 Re Frederick Kershaw Crowther A Debtor

Notice is hereby given that all creditors having claims upon the above estate must prove the amounts thereof by affidavit in the usual manner on or before the 30th day of March, 1881 otherwise they will be excluded from participation in the dividend about to be declared. Dated at Foxton this 16th day of March 1881. Ernest S. Thynne, Creditor's Trustee.

Hawera and Normanby Star 21 Sep 1881 News and Notes

The tender of Messrs Pennington and Crowther, of Opunake, for the supply of rations to the Armed Constabulary on this coast, has been accepted for a period of twelve months. The price stated is 10d a day per man. Rumor hath it that an enterprising brewer in New Plymouth has offered £100 per month to the new contractors for the exclusive use of the canteens.

Hawera and Normanby Star 07 Nov 1881 Opunake

(From our own correspondent) Rev Mr Torry having called a meeting at close of the service on Sunday evening, for the appointment of a committee of management of affairs in the Presbyterian cause in this district, the following gentlemen were duly appointed:- Messrs Anderson, Pettigrew, Greig, May, McLeod, Williams, Boyne and Crowther. On Monday, the 31st, the committee met, the Rev J. Torry in the chair. The meeting was opened with prayer. It was proposed by Mr Greig, seconded by Mr McLeod, and carried, that Mr Breach's name be added to the committee. Proposed by Mr Williams, seconded by Mr Anderson, and carried, that Mr McLeod be chairman in the absence of the minister. Mr Boyne was appointed treasurer and Mr Williams secretary. Proposed by Mr Anderson, and seconded by Mr May, that Messrs Anderson, Greig, McLeod, and Pettigrew be appointed to canvass the district with a view of ascertaining the means of supporting a minister. A meeting was convened for Saturday, the 5th instant, to report progress. The business was concluded with prayer. November 1.

Taranaki Herald 16 Jun 1882 Dissolution of Partnership

We, the undersigned Joseph Pennington and Frederick Kershaw Crowther hereby give notice that the Partnership hitherto existing between us under the style of "Pennington & Crowther," as Contractors for the supply of rations to the Armed Constabulary Force has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr F. K. Crowther is authorised to receive all moneys due to the late Firm, and will pay all debts owing by the said Firm. Dated at New Plymouth this fifteenth day of June 1882. Witnesses to signatures - H. R. Richmond, Solicitor, New Plymouth.

Hawera & Normanby Star 27 Sep 1882 Notice

The undersigned is prepared to deal with the successful tenderer for the A. C. Ration Contract for the purchase of all his Iron Stores and Canteens at the various Camps; also, one Stone Oven, Horses, Traps, Harness, &c., and all necessary plant for carrying on the contract. Price, 25 per cent below cost. F. K. Crowther, Ration Contractor, Opunake. September 25, 1882.

Hawera & Normany Star 14 Oct 1882 Advertisement

Mr F. K. Crowther has been appointed Agent for the Star at Opunake.

Hawera & Normanby Star 29 Jan 1883 For Sale

Sections 6 and 8, Block 26, Opunake, with cottage on each section. One Express, in working order. One large Spring Trap, nearly new. One light draught Mare. One light draught Horse. One Iron Building, size, about 20 x 24, at Manaia Camp. One Bakers' Stone Oven and Iron Bakehouse; Two dough troughs, Peels, Rake, Mesh Tubs, Strainers, &c., at Pungarehu. For further particulars and terms, apply to Fredk. K. Crowther, Proprietor, Opunake.

Taranaki Herald 15 Oct 1883

The following tenders were received for rationing the Armed Constabulary stationed on the West Coast:- Accepted: Farmer and MacReynolds, 9d. Declined: F. K. Crowther, 9d.; Stitt and Ching, 9½d; E. L. Smith, 9¾d; E. L. Humphries, 1s. The last tender was informal.

Hawera & Normanby Star 04 Mar 1884 Opunake Licensing District

The following gentlemen have been nominated as Committeemen:- Samuel Augustus Breach, William Fletcher Burnett, Frederick Kershaw Crowther, George Gordon and John Stitt. Five Committeemen only being required I hereby declare the above gentlemen duly elected; and I hereby call the first meeting for election of Chairman, for Friday, the 7th March, at the Court-house, at noon. A. H. Moore, Returning Officer, Opunake, March 1, 1884.

Taranaki Herald 01 and 03 Nov 1884 Supreme Court – Criminal Sessions

Before His Honor Mr Justice Gillies. Larceny. Erasmus Armitage was charged with the larceny of certain goods, the property of his employer, F. K. Crowther. Mr Hughes, who appeared for the prisoner, stated that the defence he would offer would be that prisoner was at the time unsound in mind and unable to distinguish the nature of the act or to prevent himself doing it. So far as he was instructed, the prisoner had been examined by medical witnesses, and that is the opinion they have come to. On being charged and asked what he would plead, prisoner said he did not know. His Honor accepted prisoner's plea as not guilty. The following jury was empanelled:- C. T. Hall, W. Cartwright, J. Marchment, T. Batty, G. Turner, A. Lye, H. Jordan, T. Allen, W. Rutherford, W. A. Collis, F. Urry, J. Kivell, and W. Francis. C. T. Hall was chosen foreman.

F. K. Crowther deposed: I am a storekeeper residing at Opunake. Prisoner was in my employment as storeman. He was in my employ till October 2nd. Learning he was honest and truthful I took him. He had 12s a week and his board and lodging. I put him in charge of a small store I had at Pihama. He was there a month. With one exception I had reason to be satisfied with him. After he had been there a fortnight I missed a crimean shirt from the store. He said he had not seen it. I thought it might have been taken by someone else, and my suspicions were allayed. I brought him to Opunake and employed him in the store with myself. About a fortnight after that I missed a piece of velveteen. Armitage said he had not seen it. I did not suspect prisoner. Some time after, my wife brought me a flannel shirt with my mark. She said she had found it in prisoner's box. I did not say anything to prisoner, as I thought he would debit himself, as had been arranged when he required any goods. It was not entered. I have prisoner notice to quit. I missed a quilt. I sent for a policeman. We opened Armitage's box. First thing we saw was the missing quilt. The box

was not locked. There were many other things of mine in his box. Prisoner said someone must have put the articles in. After a good deal of persuasion to speak the truth, he admitted having taken the articles. He still denied stealing the velvet. I gave him charge. I bailed him out.

Cross-examined by Mr Hughes: Prisoner lived with me about three months, and appeared to be in a state of anxiety. He did not study much. He did not take much exercise, and spent most of his evenings at home. I had a difficulty in teaching him anything. In business he was careless and dull. I never saw him nervous till he was accused of theft. He did not seem to require the velvet and counterpane for his own use. I found goods of mine secreted in other places. He had headache once.

By Mr Standish: He did not take any interest in his work.

By His Honor: He played draughts fairly well and talked sensibly about what he read. He went to church regularly.

The arresting constable also gave evidence, and stated that the prisoner got very excited when the articles were discovered in his box. The deposition produced was signed by prisoner in my presence. In the deposition produced, prisoner stated that he had been suffering from kleptomania, and left his position in the post and telegraph office, as he felt the attack coming on. He thought a change would cure him. The first time he experienced the disease was in November 1883, and he had fought against it successfully until he went to Pihama, where being lonely he had thought of nothing else. He had hidden his infirmity for fear that he would not get employment, and possibly be confined in a lunatic asylum. The reason he had made the misstatements at the time of the arrest was for fear his disease should be found out, and if it had not been for a threat that he would get seven years he would not have revealed it then. But for that he would not have revealed it, as he would have preferred going to prison for a short time. In May, 1884, he went to New Plymouth to be examined, but his courage had failed him. In childhood he had received injuries, but was only under medical treatment for one of them. He also suffered from nervous sick headaches, and was attended for that complaint by the late Dr Rawson.

Witness continued: When arresting prisoner I never warned him that what he said would be taken down in evidence to be used against him. Other witnesses were also examined as to eccentricity of the prisoner. Mrs Armitage gave evidence as to prisoner being eccentric, dazy, and disinclined for active work. He suffered from violent headaches, and speaks of impossible and dangerous things. There was lunacy in both my father and mother's families. Prisoner is about nineteen. It is about eight years since prisoner sustained injuries through a fall from a horse. James Dabinet deposed to prisoner having been eccentric and absent-minded. John Murray Gibbes, medical practitioner, deposed: I have examined prisoner and discovered symptoms of brain disease. I found him weak bodily, but he answered all questions intelligibly. Prisoner complained that his head was always aching, and his thoughts confused. He said he suffered from sleeplessness and often took walks. There was nothing in his manner to lead me believe that he was then unable to distinguish between right and wrong. I observed prisoner seemed incapable of giving me his attention, and he suffered from loss of memory. In my opinion a person making a statement like that contained in the deposition could at the time of making the statement discern right from wrong. (Left sitting.)

[continued from Saturday] Dr Richards was lengthily examined, and deposed that he considered a person who could make a deposition like the one produced was capable of distinguishing right from wrong. W. H. Gibson deposed: The prisoner was a pupil of mine, and was a very smart lad. If anything, he studied too much. There has been a change in prisoner since, and his mind seems gone. This concluded the evidence. His Honor summed up strongly against the prisoner. The jury retired for about half-an-hour, and brought in a verdict of guilty. In passing sentence, His Honor said he had no doubt the prisoner's mind had been unhinged by over-study. The sentence of the Court would be six months in gaol. The exercise

and regime of a prison life, His Honor thought, would do much towards restoring mental health, more especially as there would be a complete cessation from reading or mental work.

Hawera and Normanby Star 28 May 1885 Fire at Opunake – Prosser's Hotel Destroyed by Fire

Opunake, May 28. Prosser's Hotel was burnt down this morning. The fire commenced about 3 o'clock at the west end of the building. Some shavings in Duffill's furniture shop on the opposite corner caught fire, but it was fortunately discovered in time, otherwise there is no doubt several buildings between Duffill's and Crowther's would have gone. The alarm was given by Mr Crowther, by ringing the school bell. The cause is not known. The insurance on furniture, stock, etc., amounts to about £1200. The building, it is stated, is also insured for the same amount. A small quantity of furniture only was saved. We hear from another source that the building was destroyed with extraordinary rapidity. The fire was first noticed about half-past three, and by four o'clock the building was totally destroyed, there being a strong wind blowing at the time. Whether the fire broke out in the billiard room or the store-room appears to be a mystery. A quantity of furniture was saved, but nothing to any great value. The bar and its contents were quite destroyed, and the latter included some late letters in the coach-driver's bag, and also a number of fancy dresses being sent down to be used at to-morrow night's fancy dress ball.

Hawera and Normanby Star 06 Jul 1885 Opunake – Resident Magistrate's Court

T. R. Crowther v. Heath – claim £1. Judgment for plaintiff, with costs; Crowther v. McLean – claim of £3 3s. Judgment summons. Defendant to pay by instalments of 10s per month. In default, to be imprisoned for five days.

Hawera and Normanby Star 05 Mar 1886 News and Notes

The following tenders were received on Monday last, by the Crown Ranger, for gravelling 69 chains of the Eltham road, which has lately been formed by the A.C. Force:- Vickery, £169 12s (accepted); Warner, £191 6s; Humphries, £184 14s; Harrison, £190 10s; Clair, £269; Bell, £267; Cross, £269; Wyllie, £259 5s; O'Donnell, £270; Wall, £235; Crowther, £265; Joll, £240; Tossland, £199 10s; Butler, £249.

Taranaki Herald 07 Feb 1887 Opunake – Lord Worsley Salvage

[From our own correspondent] Thursday, February 3 – Before C. E. Rawson, Esq., R.M.

Goff v. Crowther, Mr Caplin for plaintiff, Mr Hutchinson for defendant. This was a dispute in regard to salvage from the wreck of the "Lord Worsley." Geo. Goff, submarine diver, deposed: I have been working at the wreck of the "Lord Worsley" in partnership with Crowther. McLeod, Pennington brothers, and I were working at it before. Each was to do an equal share of the work. I worked about three months as Crowther's partner, during which he sent a man to help me at times, but he only worked two or three hours during the time. After leaving the wreck I went to work in the bush for Crowther. When I left I got an account from him. I worked for Crowther in the bush. I understood he was to pay 6s per day. I made no arrangement about wages. When I left he gave me a bill in which he allowed 5s a week for my bush work. I gave it to Mr Pennington who went with me to Crowther. I was not satisfied with his account. I gave him one showing 15s a week (accounts admitted). I never got a settling, but paid Crowther £1, which I have mentioned in my particulars. Joseph Pennington gave evidence as to the partnership account. Daniel McSweeney deposed he was paid 6s per day, wet and dry. John Morgan deposed he was paid £1 a week during the time he worked for Crowther. F. K. Crowther deposed: McLeod, Pennington, Matthews, and Goff entered into partnership about the wreck. I supplied goods. Matthews left, and I took his place. After a time Pennington and McLeod withdrew, leaving Goff and myself. We agreed that I was to supply men when required, and I

worked there myself when necessary. Goff was not to be paid for working. We got up two pieces of shafting and half a ton of scrap iron, credit for which is given in my account. The plant is now in my yard, except two casks. Goff told me to sell and I gave him credit for it in his provisions account. All the plant but the derrick was brought to my place. I gave Goff an account of everything. The partnership is not closed yet. After finishing at the wreck, Goff offered to work at my bush. Nothing was said about wages, he said he only wanted tucker. Sometimes he worked, sometimes he was laid up. I at last insisted on his leaving, as I was frightened he would die. I made up his account, which he allowed, but he wished to be paid for bush work. He offered to give me a clean receipt for £1, but I said I would allow him 5s a week, to be taken from the provision account. The plant in the yard belongs to Goff. All the items charged have been given credit for. Mrs Crowther and Miss Eva Crowther gave corroborative evidence. John Graham deposed: I saw Goff at work on Crowther's bush. He said he could not get money from Pennington, and as he owed Crowther money he was working it out. I have seen him at 10 a.m. in his whare sick, and not at work. His Worship said: No agreement appears as to what was to be done by each. I consider both worked equally. Items claimed appear to be credited in partnership account. I allow 10s per week instead of 5s for bush work. The plaintiff still appears £3 9s 10d to the bad, therefore judgment is entered for defendant, with costs.

Hawera and Normanby Star 12 Feb 1887 Parihaka Road Board

Mr Crowther was in attendance to see the board to get a little job done on the Waiteika road, stating that it was impassable in winter. The bush is felled, but the principal work needed is draining; it was very boggy. He thought about £12 would meet the case. In reply to Mr Stevenson, the engineer thought it would cost more. Likewise there was upwards of £100 to the good when every one was paid. It was resolved, on the motion of Mr Elwin, seconded by Mr Stevenson, That the overseer report on the works just mentioned at next meeting, Mr Crowther to attend the overseer to carry the chain etc., free of cost to save paying a chainman; also, That works on Whitiara road be considered at the next meeting of the board.

Hawera and Normanby Star 14 Apr 1887 Parihaka Road Board

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Elwin, seconded by Mr Middleton, That tenders be called for forming 21 chains on the Waiteika road, provided that Mr Crowther pays the contractor when the contract is finished, such payment to be refunded by the board on or before six months, not to exceed £80.

Hawera and Normanby Star 28 Apr 1887 Opunake School

A meeting of householders was held at the schoolroom on Monday evening. Nineteen householders were present. The Rev. R. J. Allsworth was voted to the chair, and briefly stated the object of the meeting, and he called on the chairman to bring forward a report of the outgoing committee... The nomination of candidates was then proceeded with, the following names being submitted:- J. Connell, J. S. Greig, Rev R. J. Allsworth, S. A. Breach, A. Cross, A. H. Moore, Rev R. Young, T. K. Crowther, C. McHardy, W. McLeod, W. Pettigrew, E. J. Dudley and D. McSweeney.... The Chairman read the result as follows:- Mr Greig, 20; Rev Allsworth, 18; Rev Young, 18; C. McHardy, 15; A. Cross, 11; D. McSweeney, 9; W. Pettigrew, 9...

Taranaki Herald 14 Sep 1887 Education Board

Opunake. A letter was received from the Opunake School Committee, stating that Mr F. K. Crowther had been elected to the Opunake School Committee, in place of Rev R. Allsworth, resigned. It also forwarded an application from Mr J. J. Elwin, teacher at Opunake, for 2 hours leave of absence from school on election day. The Board decided to refuse to grant the leave of absence applied for by Mr Elwin.

Taranaki Herald 28 Nov 1887 Opunake

The sewing of the girls at the school having been received from the Board, several persons wished to have it inspected by some local ladies, in order to ascertain whether the sewing at Opunake was inferior to what might be expected to be an average, or whether the sewing in some other districts was really vastly superior to the general run of work. Accordingly the following ladies examined the sewing on Wednesday afternoon with this view, and of awarding prizes to the most efficient: Mesdames Tuke, Ballard, and Stitt, and Miss Rogers, who report:- 5th Standard – Isabelle Young, 1; Mary Pettigrew, 2; Flora McLeod; commended. 4th Standard – Alice Duffill, 1; Minnie Pennington, 2; Eva Crowther, commended. 3rd Standard – Jane McHardy, 1; Laura Gilbert, 2. 2nd Standard – Mary McHardy, 1; Margaret Dabbinett, 2; Elizabeth Ebbett, commended. 1st Standard – Ida Bland, 2; Lillian Bland, 2; Josephine Greig and May Pepperell, commended. The ladies devoted over two hours to a very critical examination, and are reported to have considered the whole work most commendable. It must be stated that Miss Morgan gratuitously superintends this department, and the school authorities are under a great obligation to her, not only for this, but for many other kindnesses rendered to the children.

Hawera and Normanby Star 06 Feb 1888 Opunake Resident Magistrate's Court

F. K. Crowther v. Stewart – claim of £6 7s. Judgment by default for plaintiff, costs £1 12s. Mr Caplen for plaintiff.

1890 Egmont Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther, storekeeper, Opunake, residential qualification

1890 Manukau Auckland Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther, laborer, Hill Street, residential qualification

Auckland Star 05 Dec 1890

The monthly meeting of the Swanson Band of Hope was held in the schoolroom, Swanson on Wednesday night, there being a large attendance present, and Mr Jas. J. Smith in the chair. After the usual business had been transacted the following programme was gone through, Miss Eva Crowther acting as accompanist:- Song and chorus, Mr Hieatt and children; reading, "The Vulgar Little Boy," Mr Pengelly; song, Miss Crowther; reading, "A Drop in Poetry," Mr Jas. Smith; address, Mr Hieatt; duet, Misses Crowther and Hieatt; song, "As Long as the World Goes Round," Mr Geo. Nicholls; dialogue, "Kitty's Triumph," Misses Hunt, Hieatt and Sisam. Mr Smith also told several short stories to the children, and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and those taking part in the programme. During the evening several took the "pledge," and the following were appointed a Committee: Mrs Pengelly, Misses Hieatt, Crowther, Hunt and Messrs W. H. Hieatt, Pengelly, W. Hieatt, F. Robinson and Jas. J. Smith.

Taranaki Herald 04 Jun 1892 Education Board Reserves Board

The following transfers will be sealed on the solicitor reporting all in order:- W. Daldy, underlease of part sec 40, block 6, Ngaire (2 acres) to F. K. Crowther and A. Heather.

Hawera and Normanby Star 26 Nov 1892 Half Holiday Movement

We, the undersigned business people of Eltham and Ngaire, hereby agree to close our respective places of business at 1 o'clock on Thursday December 1st, and on every Thursday thereafter until further notice. Eltham: Chew Chong, R. A. Adams, Buckeridge and Wilkinson, J. H. Morgan, Stanners Bros., James Riley, W. Chapman, S. Zinsli, T. Whittington, Shirrah, J. Embling, J. Dudeck; Ngaire: F. K. Crowther, Amoores & Corkill, Robbins & Pierard.

Hawera and Normanby Star 02 Sep 1893 Ngaire

Mr Crowther has taken over the creamery from Messrs Robbins and Pierard, and intends making such additions as are necessary to turn it into a butter factory. It would be better for all to pull together in the co-operative affair, perhaps; but some will not join that, and it would be a pity to see the present building lying idle. The busy bee has been at work on the site for the new factory, and it is just about ready for the building. We hope soon to see both factories working well and paying well.

Hawera and Normanby Star 10 Oct 1893 Farm and Dairy

Our Ngaire correspondent writes:- By the time this appears in print Mr Crowther's butter factory will have commenced operations for the season. The supply of milk will probably be large for some time as the roads are drying up splendidly and cows are coming in fast. Mr A. Brake, who has had considerable experience in factory work, is to be manager. The co-operative factory will not be ready for a considerable time, although the contractor, Mr Brown, of Stratford, is making great progress for the short time the building has been in hand. I understand Mr Crowther intends to close the old store altogether, removing the stock adjoining the factory.

Hawera and Normanby Star 28 Feb 1894 Ngaire

(From our correspondent) The Ngaire branch of the United Band of Hope held a meeting in the hall on Thursday evening, when there was a fairly good attendance of members and friends, including a good number of adults. Addresses, short and to the point, were delivered by the Rev Bellhouse, who occupied the chair, and the Rev McIntosh. A vocal duet was given by the Misses Crowther and McKay; instrumental duet by Miss and Master Robson; piano solo by Miss A. Robson, and recitations by the Misses Jordan, Wade, and Amoores, and Messrs Bellhouse, Frewin, and Hutchison. Miss Blizzard, the honorary secretary, is to be congratulated on having arranged such a good programme in so short a time. Another meeting will be held in about a month. A subscription list to obtain funds for painting the public hall is being circulated. As the object is a good one and the paint badly needed, it should receive as liberal support as such things generally receive in Ngaire. People generally are taking advantage of the present unusual spell of fine weather to burn off their bush and logs. The fires in some cases have spread considerably, but no damage has been done except the destruction of a few chains of the tramway connected with Mrs Brown's mill. Our school is to be enlarged at last. Tenders for the work close on Tuesday, so there is some chance of the work being done very soon. We have lost one of our old settlers in Mr John Sinclair, who has taken his family down the East road, where he will carry on farming on a considerable scale. While wishing Mr and Mrs Sinclair the best

of luck in their new home, we cannot but regret their departure. Ever since the foundation of our township Mr and Mrs Sinclair have taken a prominent part in those entertainments, etc., which have made the name of Ngaire famous throughout Taranaki.

Wanganui Chronicle 15 Mar 1894 Advertisement

Wanted – A good baker, young single man preferred. Total abstainer; with good references. Apply to F. K. Crowther, Post Office, Ngaire, Taranaki.

Hawera and Normanby Star 04 Nov 1895 Ngaire

Our two factories are working away steadily, Mr Crowther's having been running about a fortnight.

1896 Hawera Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther, shopkeeper; Harriet Sophia Crowther, domestic duties; Eva Crowther, shop assistant – all resident at Ngaere

Hawera and Normanby Star 29 Jan 1896 Eltham and Ngaire

(By our Special)... Peaceful little sober no-pub Ngaire... Ngaire's industrial interests run in braces; two sawmills, two dairy factories; a school, public hall, and a church are the public buildings, whilst commerce is represented by three stores, a butchery and a blacksmith's shop. I met a very auld acquaintance in the person of Mr James Thompson, one of Ngaire's pioneers, and "hae a crack," as Scotchmen will do, on things in general, from the war cloud in the East down to the percentage of butter-fat. The latter topic suggested a visit to the dairy factory, so I went over, and his assistants working like Trojans, for the small lakes of milk were to be turned into cheese and whey before night. There were three 600 gal. vats and one of 800 gal. all nearly full of the precious fluid of Taranaki. At present the supply is 2300 gal. daily, though it has been much larger this season, and the test is 3.6. Mr Crowther's factory is on a smaller scale. I leave Ngaire with its dairying industries and the hum of the circular behind, noting as I depart Mr Sander's picturesque homestead, with its artificial lake and well kept grounds.

Hawera and Normanby Star 22 May 1896 Prohibition Convention

The convention of delegates from the Taranaki District and other temperance workers was commenced in the Opera House this (Friday) morning. The following were present...Miss Crowther, Ngaire

Hawera and Normanby Star 23 May 1896 Prohibition Convention resumed – Election of Officers

The following officers were then elected:- ...Crowther, Ngaire...

Hawera and Normanby Star 03 Oct 1896 Ngaire

(from our own correspondent)... Mr Crowther has sold the goodwill of his storekeeping business to Mr C. A. Wilkinson, so that we have only one store now. Mr Crowther has disposed of his factory to the Crown Dairy Company. Alterations are now being made, and the factory will be ready to open in a very short time.

Hawera and Normanby Star 04 Nov 1896 News and Notes

The Egmont Post reports the death of Eva Frear Crowther, which sad event occurred at Ngaire at 5 o'clock on Saturday morning, after a severe illness of acute pneumonia for the last eight weeks. The deceased held the position of postmistress at Ngaire for two years, and during that time had won the esteem and friendship of nearly everybody with whom she came in contact by her kindness and many sterling qualities. During her stay at Ngaire she held the position of organist for several denominations, as well as giving valuable assistance at concerts and other amusements, and was also a member of the Christian Endeavour Society and Band of Hope, contributing several excellent papers at the meetings of the former society. The deceased leaves and only sister, Mrs F. E. McKenzie, and parents who adopted her nearly twenty years ago, her fiancée (the Rev J. W. Hayward), and a very large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

Hawera and Normanby Star 27 May 1897 News and Notes

On Wednesday morning (the Taranaki News reports) a man named Rasmus Hansen was arrested, after liberation from the New Plymouth gaol, and charged as follows:- [1] That on or about November 12, 1896, at Ngaire, stealing a lace cape, toilet quilt, men's braces, merino pants, cotton and darners, together in all of the value of £4 19s, the property of F. K. Crowther; [2] that on or about August 1896, he stole a nightdress, the property of Minnie Morrell, of Eltham, valued at 4s; [3] that on or about December 1, 1896, he stole one petticoat, curtains, tray cover, and table cover valued at 35s, the property of one Mr McKenzie, of Ngaire. Sergeant Stagpoole stated that the accused was arrested at Ngaire for stealing potatoes, and on searching his house the police found the articles mentioned in the information. On the first charge he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor; and on each of the other one month; the sentences to be cumulative.

Hawera and Normanby Star 30 May 1899 Magistrate's Court

F. Crowther v. J. S. Knobbs – claim £5 5s. Judgment for plaintiff with costs 8s.

1900 Taranaki Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther, farmer; Harriet Sophia Crowther, domestic duties – both resident at Opunake

Taranaki Herald 26 Apr 1900 Election of School Committees

Eltham Road: S. T. Cox, D. Murphy, J. Huwiler, J. J. Rickhard, F. K. Crowther, E. Birkett and W. Coombridge.

Hawera and Normanby Star 10 Sep 1903 News and Notes

Mr F. Crowther's farm on the Waiteika Road is advertised for lease.

Hawera and Normanby Star 26 Jan 1904 Second Edition

The Hawera Commercial Agency report having sold: House and five acres Normanby road to Mr Crowther, Opunake...

1905-1906 Napier Electoral Roll

Frederick Kershaw Crowther, settler; Harriet Sophia Crowther, married – both residing at Greenmeadows

Hawera and Normanby Star 16 Apr 1907 Mountain House

Visitors at Falls Mountain House for week ending April 13th, 1907...Mrs Crowther, Napier...

Manawatu Standard 16 May 1910 Death

On May 15th, 1910, at Dannevirke, Harriet Sophia, widow of the late F. K. Crowther. Interment at Hastings.

1911 Hawkes Bay Electoral Roll

Harriet Sophia Crowther, widow, Havelock North; Arthur Hedges, carpenter, Havelock North

Probate Documents for Harriet Sophia Crowther – Archives NZ Reference AAOM W3265 6029 Box 269

[04 Oct 1907]

This is the Will and Testament of me Harriet Sophia Crowther, widow of F. K. Crowther of Opunake, Taranaki in the Dominion of New Zealand. I hereby revoke all Wills and Testamentary Instruments heretofore made by me. I appoint Mr Arthur Heather Esq., merchant of Auckland [sole executor] of New Zealand and ~~Mr John McCulloch, County Clerk of Levin~~ to be the Executors of this my Will. I direct my Executors to pay my just Debts and Funeral and Testamentary Expenses and to bury me next to my late husband in the Cemetery of Hastings, Hawkes Bay.

I give and bequeath to Mr Arthur Heather of Auckland the farm native lease section 84 block 11 Opunake Survey district in consideration of moneys due to Mr Heather by my late husband and that he pay out the rent any deficiency, should any arise from my other properties that I may devise and bequeath. I Will and give to my niece Mary Ursula Crowther, Wainuiomata, twenty pounds sterling, also the Portrait in oils of her uncle F. K. Crowther. I will and give to my friend Elizabeth McKenzie of Dannevirke, wife of Earnest Frederick McKenzie twenty pounds sterling. The above two bequests are to be paid in full at the wish of my late husband. I will and give to my nephew Arthur Hedges, Hastings my father's portrait in oils and twenty pounds sterling and I will that all I possess either jewellery, shares, clothes or anything else be sold to pay these my Gifts and debts, should these not be enough I make it a charge on the rent. ~~I also will to John McCulloch of Levin twenty pounds.~~ I have tried to make this Will as justly as I know how having asked Gods help so trust all is well in witness hereof I have to this my last Will set my hand. Witness my hand this fourth day of October 1907. Witnesses: Ellen Barnes, 'Blackheath', Pollen Street, Gentlewoman; St Clair Nathaniel Henry Macdonald, Engineer, "Blackheath" Pollen Street, Grey Lynn.

[17 Jul 1914]

In the matter of the Administration Act, 1908, and its amendments and in the matter of the Public Trustee Office Act, 1908 and its amendments and in the matter of the Will of Harriet Sophia Crowther, late of Opunake, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, Widow, (hereinafter called "the said deceased").

I, Frederick Ernest McKenzie of Dannevirke in the Provincial District of Hawkes Bay in the Dominion of New Zealand Printer, make oath and say as follows:- [1] That I knew the said deceased when alive and that the said deceased was resident or domiciled at Opunake. [2] That the said

deceased died at Dannevirke in the Provincial District of Hawkes Bay on or about the 15th day of May 1910, as I am able to depose from having seen her dead body after death. Sworn at Dannevirke in the Dominion of New Zealand this 17th day of July 1914.

[05 Sep 1914]

In the matter of the Public Trust Office Act, 1908 and in the matter of the Administration Act, 1908 and in the matter of the Will of Harriet Sophia Crowther late of Opunake, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, Widow, deceased, I, St. Clair Nathaniel Henry Macdonald of Waihi in the Provincial District of Auckland, Engineer, make oath and say:- [1] That I am one of the subscribing witnesses to the last Will and testament of the above-named Harriet Sophia Crowther deceased, bearing date the 4th day of October 1907, now produced and shewn to me and marked "B". [2] That the testatrix executed the said Will on the day of the date thereof by signing her name at the foot or end thereof, in the presence of me and of Ellen Barnes, the other subscribed witness thereto, both of us being present at the same time, and we thereupon attested and subscribed the said Will in the presence of the said testatrix. Sworn at Waihi in the Dominion of New Zealand this 5th day of September 1914.

[18 Sep 1914]

In the matter of the Public Trust Office Act, 1908; and in the matter of the Administration Act, 1908; and in the matter of the Will of Harriet Sophia Crowther late of Opunake in the Provincial District of Taranaki, widow, deceased. I, Thomas Sherriff Ronaldson of Wellington, in the Dominion of New Zealand, Gentleman, make oath and say as follows:- [1] That I am duly appointed the Deputy Public Trustee of the Dominion of New Zealand and am acting in the absence of the Public Trustee. [2] I am informed, and verily believe, that Harriet Sophia Crowther, late of Opunake, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, Widow, died at Dannevirke in the Provincial District of Hawkes Bay on or about the 15th day of May, 1910, as appears by the Affidavit of Death to be filed herein. [3] I verily believe the paper writing now produced, bearing date the 4th day of October, 1907, and marked "B," to be the last Will and Testament of the deceased, and that Arthur Heather and John McColluck were by the said Will appointed Executors thereof. [4] That St Clair Nathaniel Henry Macdonald the surviving attesting witness to the said Will was unable to depose whether or not the crossing out of the words "Mr John McColluck County Clerk, Levin" in the 9th and 10th lines of the said Will and the words "I also Will to John McCulloch of Levin twenty pounds" in the 33rd and 34th lines of the said Will was done previously or subsequently to its execution by the said testatrix. [5] That no application for probate of the said Will has been previously made as Arthur Heather one of the executors took up his residence in England before the death of the said testatrix and John McColluck the other executor predeceased her. [6] To the best of my knowledge and belief the estate to be administered is under the value of £1200. [7] That I will faithfully execute the said Will by paying the debts and legacies of the deceased as far as the property will extend and the law binds. Sworn at Wellington, in the Dominion of New Zealand this 18th day of September, 1914.

[19 Sep 1914]

In the matter of the Public Trust Office Act, 1908; and in the matter of the Administration Act, 1908; and in the matter of the Will of Harriet Sophia Crowther late of Opunake in the Provincial District of Taranaki, widow, deceased. Mr J. W. Macdonald, Counsel for the Public Trustee, to move in Chambers, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of September, 1914, at 10.30 a.m., or soon thereafter as Counsel may be heard:- For an Order to the Public Trustee to administer the estate of the deceased with the Will of the said deceased annexed AND for an Order that the words "Mr John McColluck County Clerk, Levin" crossed out in the 9th and 10th lines of the said Will and the words "I also Will to John McColluck of Levin twenty pounds" crossed out in the 33rd and 34th lines of the said Will appear in the probate copy thereof. Reference:- Section 18 Public Trust Office Act, 1908; and Rule No.526 Code of Civil Procedure Supreme Court. Dated at Wellington this 19th day of September 1914.

[30 Sep 1914]

Order to Administer with Will annexed. In the Supreme Court of New Zealand Wellington District Wednesday the thirtieth day of September 1914 upon reading the affidavit of Thomas Sherriff Ronaldson filed in this Court, the annexure thereto, and the exhibit therein referred to: It is ordered that the Public Trustee shall be Administrator of all the real and personal estate of Harriet Sophia Crowther, late of Opunake, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, widow, deceased, with the Will of the said Harriet Sophia Crowther annexed [died on or about the 15th day of May 1910.