

Apiti to Kimbolton Stage

Charles Max Bauer bought a line of coaches in 1898. By 1906 he was advertising as a Royal Mail coach. After her husband's death Mrs. M.K. Bauer continued to run the business. By 1917/18 the mail contract lapsed with the introduction of motor vehicles for this service. The coaches were then used for passengers and general carrying. The Apiti-Kimbolton stage pulled by two horses, parked outside the Courthouse in Feilding. The coach was built by Hocker & Bealing in 1912 for Mrs Bauer at a cost of £79.10.0. Mrs Bauer is seated beside the driver [name unknown], and standing [left to right] are Norman Collingwood, Jack Younger, Fred Wells, and Fred Bealing.

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