

Section 9.—Level section, somewhat dry and stony, with scrub on parts.

Section 10.—Level; some good land, remainder somewhat stony.

Section 11.—Flat section; very fair country towards river, balance light and dry. Lucerne will probably take on this section.

Section 12.—Level, and generally light ploughable land.

Sections 13 and 13A.—Homestead Block. Good even land, free from stones. The lower terrace is good silt ground, suitable for lucerne. The upper or "Bounds" block—Section 13A—is very largely capable of grassing and substantial improvement. The lower and middle portion of 13A is really nice country, comprising good slopes and generally good sweet tussock country which, well handled, could be turned to much account. Good tussock extends right to the top of range, excepting around the "Bounds" Peak, which is practically useless. The country all lies well, generally facing west and north-west.

Section 14.—Frontage of this section generally of inferior quality. On lower terrace towards Wairau River the land improves, but still light in quality. Considerable growth of flax on allotment.

Section 15.—The bulk of this section is inferior and stony, but with a possibility of lucerne taking along the lower terrace bordering Wairau River. Some good flax growing on this subdivision.

Section 16.—A useful section, mainly consisting of good to fair ploughable land. The best of it lies along river front, which should grow lucerne readily. Portion sour and stony.

Section 17.—Front flats light and stony in places, but portions along Wye Stream good and suitable for lucerne. Remainder of section generally easy, clean, tussock country. A driving right is reserved along the Wye and within 2 chains of that stream through this section for the lessee or owner of Section 13A until such time as the owner or lessee of this section fences off the 1-chain-road reserve along his frontage bordering Wye Stream.

Section 18.—Section generally consists of nice hills and low downs, well grassed and tussocked. Front paddock of about 240 acres is of very good quality, and at present under cocksfoot.

Section 19.—Back portion of subdivision sloping down to Boundary Stream generally inferior and broken, with light birch bush. Front and middle parts nice danthonia spurs opening to clean tussock country on the top. Flat along road, good ground, and nice homestead-site.

Section 20.—Lower terrace good land; considerable flax. Top end low downs with good covering, mainly firin. Good useful section.

Section 21.—Front portion varying from good to light ploughable land. Fair quantity of flax. Upper or back part, clean grass downs and flats light but good.

Section 22.—"Wantwood" homestead block. Front part of section generally light, all ploughable; middle portion very good tussock spurs, well grassed, very nice country; top end steeper and not so good. A small lake carrying water all the year exists on top of range near boundary fence—a valuable asset.

Section 23.—Section consists of clean, well covered, tussock and grass country, with a few patches of good manuka; lower part chiefly good ploughable land. A useful section.

Section 24.—Front face from flats to above saddle along boundary of No. 23 clean tussock country with rock outcrops. From top towards Boundary Stream good tussock land; spurs good and easy. Around Wantwood Trig, and on both sides nice tops and gentle slopes. Front flats somewhat patchy.

Section 25.—Front flats rather patchy and scrubby, but contain some excellent land. About 300 acres up Boundary Stream inferior; balance of section generally nice easy country, well grassed with good tussock.

Sections 26 and 26A.—Small area of flat up Boundary Stream and portion of country lying to the east under "Devil's Backbone" is inferior and rocky, but generally a good class of land exists in this block, capable of grassing. There is a good show of cocksfoot up stream. A fine, clean, tussock spur intersects the block, and lower end of spurs are good. Capable of extensive improvement.

Section 27.—The front flats of this section consist mainly of rich land, and capable of high improvement and lucerne culture. The lower downs and hill portion is useful country; nice lying spurs, fairly well grassed, with a small amount of fern and scrub. A good belt of flax is growing on the section. A stock-driving right, 2 chains wide, along Boundary Stream is reserved through this allotment between Sections 26 and 26A, and available for the lessee or owner of Sections 26 and 26A only.

Section 28.—Front portion of section contains some very good land; belt of flax and about 26 acres of heavy manuka

growing on this flat. Top terrace under netting fence, a nice stretch of even land, but rather light and stony; balance low hills, well covered with danthonia.

Section 29.—This section embraces the whole of the "48th Valley," and has an excellent aspect; the lower area back from road rather light and inferior, with flax swamp of 35 acres, and adjoining 45 acres capable of big improvement. Up valley there is nice tussock country on the slopes running down in good, rich, ferny, manuka faces to bottom of valley. The back boundary runs up to about 3,000 ft., steep and rocky in parts, but showing good possibilities of improvement. Patches of flax up stream through centre of section.

Section 30.—Frontage of this block somewhat light, but improves above swamp and terrace. A good wide scrubby valley, known as "47," runs well back to the foot of range, with easy slopes right and left. At back the land rises steeply to top of range—a height of about 3,000 ft. Country inferior and broken along back boundary or top of range. A section with a good aspect and easily worked.

Section 31.—The greater portion of this section has been under cultivation. There is a patch of about 70 acres of swamp and flax on flat, which is rich ground; also about 80 acres of good even terrace ground. The hills at back have easy slopes, but soil somewhat hard. Mixed agricultural and sheep country.

Section 32.—Flats back from road in grass and oats for feeding; upper portion in oats and emerald rye, somewhat lighter soil. Middle portion fair slopes to some nice country below netting fence. Back part of block up to back boundary hard and rubbly ground.

Section 33.—Back portion of this block is a bit hard and shaly. Below netting fence it is much better, with improving slopes in lower parts. Flats along frontage distinctly good, and the upper flats are of good average quality, now in oats and grass for feeding. Small area of gorse on this section.

Section 34.—Section ring-fenced with exception of about half a mile from netting fence. Hills all nice easy country, low-lying, and well covered with danthonia. Flats mostly in oats, with small swampy area of about 15 acres in grass; soil rich. A valuable section.

Section 35.—Hillersden Homestead Block. The flats around homestead and running out to main road are distinctly good land. From flats to netting fence easy clean slopes. Above netting fence to back boundary the country is rather hard and steep, with a fair amount of scrub and fern. A very well-watered section. Also, homestead and gardens have a thoroughly up-to-date and never-failing water service. The homestead is charmingly situated amongst magnificent plantations.

Section 36.—Generally this section comprises good sweet country; under Mount Olympus tussocky and fair free soil. Valley from Jack's whare and immediate slopes good, with English grasses and soil free and good. Waihopai faces rather broken. Good extent of flats along Waihopai, of good average quality.

Section 37.—Greater portion of this section patchy, but capable of some improvement. Part around and under "Devil's Backbone" inferior and broken, and lying cold. The front country embraces the old "Netherwood" homestead site, and good flats adjoining.

Section 38.—This section comprises a great portion of the country known as the "Finger-marks," and is mainly good ewe country. The Waihopai faces are a bit rocky, but generally the whole section is good, sweet, tussock land and capable of improvement.

Section 39.—This with Section 38 mainly makes up the block known as the "Finger-marks." Good ewe country, and generally clean, sweet, tussock land with good soil, and would take surface sowing well.

Section 40.—The poorer parts of this section lie along the Waihopai River front. To the west of Wether Hill and towards ranges nice gullies and slopes with English grasses; carries tussock to the highest tops. Greater portion good land, and capable of considerable improvement. This subdivision contains the block known as "Wether Hill."

Section 41.—Known as the "Te Arowhenua Block." Front portion of section good, and well covered with firin and danthonia. The lower lands consist of generally useful country. Range tops inferior and useless.

Section 42.—Upper "Stronvar" Block. Slopes and gullies face out generally west, and are somewhat steep, but sweet country along lower and middle slopes. Range tops at back inferior. Section capable of considerable improvement.

Section 43.—Lower "Stronvar" Block. Nice sweet country along the Waihopai Valley frontage, becoming inferior and broken on the higher tops. A strip of good feeding ground exists along Spey River from back boundary down stream.