

Section 10, Block II: Area, 183 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £390. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £9 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £7 16s.

Situated on the Omaka Road. Access from Taumarunui from six miles to seven miles distant—by dray-road for one mile, and rough pack-track remaining distance. The sections comprise open fern country varying from flat land to undulating and hills of easy slopes, a good deal of each section being ploughable. The soil is generally of good quality, resting on sandstone and papa formation. On Section 9 the formation on the flats is pumice. Sections 7 and 9 are well watered. Sections 8 and 10 have access to the Wanganui River. The elevation ranges from 500 ft. to 1,100 ft. above sea-level.

Section 5, Block II: Area, 39 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £260. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £6 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5 4s.

Situated on the Mania and Wanganui River Roads. Access from Taumarunui about a mile and a half distant, one mile being dray-road, balance pack-track. The section comprises fern-covered hills of easy slopes. The soil is of good quality, on papa formation, and the section is well watered. The elevation ranges from 580 ft. to 800 ft. above sea-level.

Section 11, Block II: Area, 35 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £180. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £4 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 12s.

Section 13, Block II: Area, 39 acres 2 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £200. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £5. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4.

Section 14, Block II: Area, 14 acres 2 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £120. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 8s.

Section 15, Block II: Area, 6 acres 2 roods 20 perches. Cash purchase: Total price, £70. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £1 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £1 8s.

Situate on the Mania Road. Access from Taumarunui from two miles to two miles and a quarter distant—dray-road one mile, pack-track remaining distance. The sections comprise open fern and scrub land, a fair portion being ploughable. Parts of Sections 14 and 15 are swampy. The soil is of indifferent quality, on pumice formation. The sections are well watered. The elevation ranges from 560 ft. to 650 ft. above sea-level.

Section 17, Block II: Area, 4 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £60. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £1 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £1 4s.

Section 19, Block II: Area, 6 acres 3 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £140. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 16s.

Section 20, Block II: Area, 6 acres 2 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £120. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 8s.

Section 23, Block II: Area, 5 acres 1 rood. Cash purchase: Total price, £80. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £1 12s.

Situated on the Wanganui River Road. Access from Taumarunui from a mile and three-quarters to two miles distant, one mile being dray-road and remaining distance pack-track. Sections 19 and 20 are fern and heavy manuka land; good soil, on papa. Section 17 open fern and scrub land; fair soil, on pumice. Section 23 fern and scrub land with a little swamp; soil fair, on pumice and papa; swamp easily drained. The sections are all well watered. The elevation ranges from 560 ft. to 650 ft. above sea-level.

Section 30, Block II: Area, 22 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £140. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 16s.

Section 31, Block II: Area, 24 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £150. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3.

Situated on the Wanganui River Road. Access from Taumarunui, two miles and a half to two miles and three-quarters distant—one mile by dray-road, and remaining distance pack-track. The sections comprise fern and scrub land of flat and easy formation. The soil is of fair quality resting on pumice formation, and the sections are well watered. Elevation ranges from 600 ft. to 650 ft. above sea-level.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The Aukopae Block lies along the Wanganui River from two to nineteen miles below Taumarunui. The Aukopae Landing is accessible at present from Taumarunui by the Kururau, Otunui, and part of the Wanganui River Roads. When the latter is formed the distance from Taumarunui will be lessened by three or four miles. A narrow wagon can be taken in summer time from Taumarunui to the Otunui Landing via the Kururau and Otunui South Roads. There is a regular river steamer service on the Wanganui, bi-weekly in the winter and tri-weekly in the summer.

The land will generally make good sheep-country; the hills should carry two sheep to the acre. The hill country varies from easy to steep, there being a fair proportion of easy slopes. Some of the smaller areas contain ploughable country, mostly open fern with tutu, and with pumice through the soil. The hills generally are covered with heavy forest. The soil varies from light to very good, carrying varying proportions of pumice in the flats to good papa soil on the hills. The land is all capable of carrying good pasture.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this third day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

H. D. BELL,
For Minister of Lands.

Parakete Stream and its Tributaries, Auckland Land District, notified under the Timber-floating Act, 1908.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the second section of the Timber-floating Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby notify that the undermentioned stream and its tributaries may be used under license for the purposes of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

PARAKETE Stream and its tributaries, situated in Coromandel County.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

H. D. BELL,
For Minister of Lands.

Powers delegated to the Invercargill Borough Council under the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by section thirteen of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand doth hereby vest the control of the reserve described in the Schedule below (being land reserved under the said Act), for the period of three years from the date hereof (unless previously altered or revoked under the said Act), in the undermentioned body, namely,—

THE INVERCARGILL BOROUGH COUNCIL,

which is hereby constituted for that purpose a special Board by the name of the Waihopai Scenic Board (herein referred to as "the Board"), in trust for the preservation of scenery, and subject to the conditions hereinafter contained, that is to say,—

MEETINGS.

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business at the Town Hall, Invercargill, after the conclusion of business at the ordinary meetings of the Borough Council, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held during the month of October, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.
2. The Mayor shall be the Chairman of the Board. He may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote.
3. Special meetings may be convened by the Chairman, provided that two days' notice of such meeting be given to each member, specifying the business to be transacted at such special meeting; and no other business than that so specified shall be transacted at such meeting.
4. Any five members of the Board shall form a quorum. Any meeting may be adjourned from time to time.