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Section 1, Block XI.—About 550 acres open land ranging from flat to low hills in grass, tussock, and manuka; soil light in places, but mostly ploughable. The remainder varies from flat to hilly, and is in birch bush. Good grass land when cleared; good aspect; well watered. Twelve miles from Glenhope Railway-station by dray-road.

Section 2, Block XI.—About 900 acres open in fern, grass, tussock, and manuka scrub; soil light and stony along frontage, but mostly ploughable. Remainder birch hills, of fair quality. Good aspect; well watered. Access by good dray-road to cart-bridge, fourteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station and one mile by unformed road along the plain.

Section 5, Block XI.—The homestead block. About 800 acres open land, in tussock and English grass; mostly ploughable; soil light in places. Remainder fairly steep birch hills of good quality. Good aspect; well watered. Fourteen miles and a half from Glenhope Railway-station by good road. The improvements on this section consist of a nine-roomed house, men's hut, stable, barn, smithy, woolshed capable of holding 600 sheep, cow-shed and yards, concrete dip, and eight other buildings, valued altogether at £940, which must be paid either in cash or by forty half-yearly payments of £37 14s. 4d., interest and sinking fund.

Section 5, Block XVI.—About 250 acres flat and open land of fair quality, suitable for cultivation; now in fern and English grass. About 100 acres birch hills, remainder low to fairly steep hills covered with fern and grass. Good aspect; well watered. Access by good dray-road, fourteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station, thence two miles and three-quarters by unformed road along the flat.

Section 6, Block XVI.—About 820 acres flat. Soil light along frontage, good along terraces and Speargrass Creek. 700 acres of this area, suitable for cropping; 100 acres light bush; balance fern, grass, and tussock. The remainder of section consists of low hills, with fern and grass. Good aspect; well watered. Access by good dray-road, fourteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station.

Section 8, Block XVI.—About 135 acres open land, with soil varying from light to fair; remainder low hills of fair quality, of which 140 acres is in birch bush, and the rest in grass, tussock, and fern, with patches of manuka. Good aspect; well watered. Access by good dray-road, fourteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station, thence two miles and three-quarters by unformed road along the flat.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The Lake Settlement is situated fourteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station, sixty-five miles from Nelson, by good dray-road and cart-bridge across Buller River.

The settlement lies at an altitude of from 1,400 ft. to 3,300 ft. above sea-level, and consists of agricultural and pastoral land. The former is suitable for oat and turnip crops, and the latter is good sheep-country.

The climate is fairly wet, but not too much rain to suit the nature of the soil. It is fairly cold in winter, with occasional falls of snow, which does not remain more than a day or two on the ground. Very little cultivation has been carried on. The land at present is principally covered with grasses, tussock, and bush.

Speaking generally, it is ideal sheep and cattle country, as it grows abundance of grass from November to April; and winter feed can be grown to supply the requirements during the remainder of the year.

Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

F. A. THOMPSON,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

#### Opening Land in Westland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Hokitika, 25th November, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to section 21 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1913, that the undermentioned sections will be open for application on renewable lease at this office on or after Tuesday, 19th January, 1915.

#### SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WESTLAND COUNTY.

Oneone Survey District.

SECTION 3087, Block XVI: Area, 230 acres 1 rood 39 perches; half-yearly rental, £8 4s.

Section 3088, Block XVI: Area, 260 acres 2 roods 26 perches; half-yearly rental, £8 12s.

Situated on the south bank of the Wanganui River, nine miles and a half below the bridge. Almost wholly swamp land, carrying manuka scrub, with scattered patches of white-pine, rimu, and silver-pine. The soil is a fine deep sandy loam, peaty in parts, resting on shingle. A main drain of large dimensions has been constructed, and there is satisfactory evidence that the swamp can be successfully grassed when the necessary subsidiary drains have been cut by the lessees. Harihari Post-office, on the main south road, to which there is a service by coach twice a week, is about seven miles from the block—by metalled road for six miles, and remainder by track. The Wanganui Cheese-factory and Herepo Telephone-office are distant about four miles and a half.

#### Poerua Survey District.

Section 2256, Block I: Area, 126 acres 3 roods 14 perches; half-yearly rental, £1 8s.

Flat throughout. Timber white-pine, rimu, and miro; chiefly white-pine facing road, and scrub and manuka swamp at back. Dense undergrowth. Soil fair; well watered. Altitude, 290 ft. above sea-level. Thirty-five miles from Ross by main road.

#### Wataroa Survey District.

Section 2249, Block IV: Area, 195 acres 0 roods 36 perches; half-yearly rental, £2.

This section is flat, with exception of about 30 acres of low hillside; covered with rimu, kamahi, and thick undergrowth of scrub and fern; poor soil. Flat portion of section covered with black scrub and manuka, with some silver and white pine; well watered. Altitude, 280 ft. to 320 ft. above sea-level. Thirty-seven miles from Ross by main road.

#### Town of Runanga.

Section 2\*, Block XXVII: Area, 1 rood; half-yearly rental, 15s.

Section 14, Block XXX: Area, 1 rood 18 perches; half-yearly rental, 8s.

Section 4, Block XXX: Area, 1 rood 6 perches; half-yearly rental, 15s.

\* Weighted with £1, valuation for clearing.

Plans and full particulars may be obtained at this office.

H. D. M. HASZARD,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

#### Land in Auckland Land District for Disposal under the Land Act, 1908.

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Auckland, 29th October, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 326 of the Land Act, 1908, that the undermentioned land will be disposed of under the provisions of the said Act on or after Thursday, the 11th day of February, 1915.

#### SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

SECTION 7, Block X, Whangape Survey District: Area, 25 acres 2 roods 6 perches.

Section 13, Block X, Waoku Survey District: Area, 338 acres and 29 perches.

H. M. SKEET,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

#### Land in Southland Land District for Disposal under the Land Act, 1908.

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Invercargill, 29th October, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 326 of the Land Act, 1908, that the undermentioned land will be disposed of under the provisions of the said Act on or after Thursday, the 11th February, 1915.

#### SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

SECTION 3, Block IV, Town of Menzies Ferry: Area, 10 acres 3 roods 30 perches.

G. H. M. McCLURE,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands