

acres are in young grass and 112 acres in old lea; the balance, 243 acres, silver-tussock, has been surface-sown, and is in good heart. Plantation along northern portion of western boundary.

Section 6.—Altitude, from about 700 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. All open, flat, undulating, and hilly; mostly good rich soil, on sandstone formation; agricultural and pastoral land; well watered by Waiarikiki and other small streams. 300 acres have been cultivated; the balance, 358 acres, in native grasses and silver and red tussock; all in good heart. Partly fenced.

Section 7.—Altitude, from about 700 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. All open, flat, undulating, and hilly agricultural and pastoral land; mostly good rich soil, on sandstone formation; well watered by small streams. Fenced on south and west boundaries; divided into two paddocks. 202 acres have been cultivated, of which 129 acres are in oats and rape and 73 acres in old lea; the balance, 213 acres, in native grasses, silver-tussock, and fern; all surface-sown and in good heart.

Section 8.—Altitude, from 740 ft. to 1,527 ft. above sea-level. All open, flat, undulating, and hilly agricultural and pastoral land; mostly good rich soil, on sandstone formation; nice warm sheltered valleys; well watered by small streams. Fenced on east, and south, and part of north boundaries. 293 acres have been cultivated, of which 278 acres are in old lea, and 15 acres ploughed and in oats and rape; the balance, 409 acres, in native grasses, silver-tussock, fern, and a little tutu.

Section 9.—Altitude, from about 750 ft. to 1,450 ft. above sea-level. All open, flat, undulating, and hilly agricultural and pastoral land; mostly all good rich soil, on sandstone formation; well watered by small streams. With the exception of 7 chains in the north-east corner, the section is fenced all round. 248 acres have been cultivated and in old lea; the balance, 190 acres, is in native grasses, fern, silver-tussock, and a little tutu.

Section 10.—Altitude, from about 630 ft. to 1,527 ft. above sea-level. All open, undulating, and hilly agricultural and pastoral land; mostly all good rich soil, on sandstone formation; well watered by small streams running through the section, and bounded on the west by the Waiarikiki Stream. Fenced along south boundary. 255 acres have been cultivated and in two-year-old lea; the balance, 388 acres, is in native grasses, silver and red tussock, fern, and a little flax and tutu; all has been surface-sown, and is in good heart.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

Waiarikiki Settlement varies from easy spurs and downs to undulating and flat land, and is admirably adapted for either sheep and cattle farming, dairying, or mixed farming. Originally the land was covered with silver-tussock, fern, flax, and tutu; and in places the original vegetation remains, and has been considerably improved by burning off and surface-sowing with good English grasses. Excellent results have been obtained from the land which has already been cultivated in the shape of good grasses, turnips, and oats. The yield from the latter for the last two or three seasons has been 80 and 75 bushels to the acre. Good results have also been obtained from fescue, and upwards of £10 10s. per acre was derived from the fescue area last season.

All the sections are well watered by running streams, and the whole settlement is fairly free from noxious weeds and rabbits. Altitude varies from 630 ft. to 1,527 ft. above sea-level. The settlement is situated from seven to nine miles and a quarter from the Borough of Matura, which is on the Dunedin-Invercargill main line, and access is by metalled and unfenced roads.

Provision has been made for the formation and culverting of the new road giving access to Sections 7, 8, and 9, and until this road is formed the lessee of Section 32, Block IX, Tuturau District, is to have access to his section along the route of the closed road through Sections 6 and 8.

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

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

Milling-timber in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 16th January, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of the Land Act, 1908, and regulations thereunder, that the undermentioned milling-timber will be offered for sale by public auction at this office, at 12 o'clock noon sharp on Monday, the 16th February, 1914, subject to the terms and conditions as stated herein.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WEST TAUPO COUNTY.

Lot 1.

Part Block XIII, Tuhua Survey District (National Endowment).

1,367 totara-trees, containing approximately 1,025,683 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

117 rimu-trees, containing approximately 77,272 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

431 kahikatea-trees, containing approximately 404,201 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

956 matai-trees, containing approximately 299,823 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

Distinguishing brand: \wedge .

Upset price: £1,675. Each bid to be not less than £20.

Terms for payment, as below.

Time for removal of timber: Three years (subject to condition 11, below).

Lot 2.

Part Blocks XIII and XIV, Tuhua Survey District, Lot "T" (National Endowment).

986 totara-trees, containing approximately 581,616 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

75 rimu-trees, containing approximately 68,388 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

427 kahikatea-trees, containing approximately 311,842 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

244 matai-trees, containing approximately 87,273 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

Distinguishing brands: III or F R.

Upset price: £986. Each bid to be not less than £10.

Terms for payment, as below.

Time for removal of timber: Three years (subject to condition 11, below).

Lot 3.

Part Block XIV, Tuhua Survey District, Lot "V" (National Endowment).

3,623 totara-trees, containing approximately 3,096,215 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

959 rimu-trees, containing approximately 662,344 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

921 kahikatea-trees, containing approximately 867,528 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

1,628 matai-trees, containing approximately 545,118 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

Distinguishing brands: V or F R.

Upset price: £5,020. Each bid to be not less than £55.

Terms for payment, as below.

Time for removal of timber: Three years (subject to condition 11, below).

Lot 4.

Part Block XIV, Tuhua Survey District, and Block II, Piopio-tea Survey District, Lot "K" (National Endowment).

2,035 totara-trees, containing approximately 1,509,321 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

192 rimu-trees, containing approximately 164,445 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

807 kahikatea-trees, containing approximately 662,763 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

638 matai-trees, containing approximately 241,228 sup. ft. (standing measurement).

Distinguishing brands: II or F R.

Upset price: £2,478. Each bid to be not less than £25.

Terms for payment, as below.

Time for removal of timber: Two years (subject to condition 11, below).

TERMS OF PAYMENT.

Lot 1.—One-fifth in cash on fall of hammer (together with timber-cutting license fee, £1 1s.), one-fifth in six months, one-fifth in twelve months, one-fifth in sixteen months, and one-fifth in twenty-one months thereafter.

Lot 2.—One-fifth in cash on fall of hammer (together with timber-cutting license fee, £1 1s.), one-fifth in six months, one-fifth in twelve months, one-fifth in sixteen months, and one-fifth in twenty-one months thereafter.

Lot 3.—One-fifth in cash on fall of hammer (together with timber-cutting license fee, £1 1s.), one-fifth in seven months, one-fifth in fourteen months, one-fifth in twenty-one months, and one-fifth in twenty-eight months thereafter.

Lot 4.—One-third in cash on fall of hammer (together with timber-cutting license fee, £1 1s.), one-third in eight months, and one-third in sixteen months thereafter.

All instalment payments shall bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum as from the date of sale, and, with the interest added, shall be secured by "On demand" promissory notes made and endorsed to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.