

Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby declare that the said proceedings shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the said first publication of the notice setting forth the day on which the said poll was to be taken had been properly made, and that the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called in question by reason only of the irregularity aforesaid.

J. F. ANDREWS,
Clerk of the Executive Council

Sounds National Park.—Certain Provisions of the Mining Act, 1908, brought into Operation.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Mining Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *Gazette*, the provisions of the Mining Act, 1908, excepting sections 45, 145, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, and 152 thereof, shall be in force over the portion of the Sounds National Park described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District, containing by estimation 16,600 acres, being part of the unexplored country adjoining Dusky Sound, and bounded approximately as follows: Towards the west by Acheron Passage of Dusky Sound; towards the north-west by Wet Jacket Arm; towards the north-east by a right line running from high-water mark at the north-easternmost point of Wet Jacket Arm in the direction of the easternmost point of the sea at the head of Supper Cove, for a distance of 1,340 chains; thence towards the south-east by a right line running in the direction of the westernmost point of Cooper Island north of Sportsman's Cove to the sea, at the northern side of Dusky Sound; and thence towards the south generally by Dusky Sound to Acheron Passage, the place of commencement.

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

W. FRASER,
Minister of Mines.

Notifying Lands in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-twenty-sixth section of the Land Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Friday, the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, as the time at which the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—RURAL LAND.

Waitomo County.—Pirongia Survey District.

SECTION 10, Block X: Area, 47 acres; upset price, £70.
Altitude, 1,300 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. Undulating land, covered with mixed forest comprising rimu, rata, tawa, and makomako. Dense undergrowth of kiekie, supplejack, bush ferns and shrubs. Soil of good second-class quality, on sandstone formation; no water on section. Distant one mile from Te Rau-a-moa by formed road.

Rodney County.—Arai Parish.

Section 79: Area, 62 acres and 10 perches; upset price, £48.

Altitude, 75 ft. to 100 ft. above sea-level. Easy and undulating country, covered with fern and manuka scrub, with a few small swampy rush flats. Soil inferior pipeclay, on sandstone formation; poorly watered by a few swampy gullies. Distant three miles from Wellsford by cart-road.

Thames County.—Waihou Survey District.—Hauraki Plains.

Section 30, Block II: Area, 37 acres 1 rood 5 perches; upset price, £394.

Altitude, 2 ft. to 4 ft. above sea-level. Partly drained swamp country; rich alluvial soil, on clay subsoil; watered only by drains on eastern and southern boundaries. Distant two miles and a quarter by formed cart-road from Mc Kerchar's Wharf on the Piako River; or from Turua on the Waihou River, four miles by formed cart-road, of which a mile and a quarter is metalled and another two miles is under construction.

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

H. D. BELL,
For Minister of Lands.

Notifying Land in Canterbury Land District for Sale by Public Auction.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one-hundred-and-twenty-sixth section of the Land Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Wednesday, the sixteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, as the time at which the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the price at which the said land shall be sold as that mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—ASHLEY COUNTY.—MOUNT THOMAS SURVEY DISTRICT.

Rural Land.

SECTION 36765, Block XVI: Area, 53 acres 3 roods 34 perches; upset price, £162.

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

H. D. BELL,
For Minister of Lands.

Opening National Endowment Lands in Auckland Land District for Selection.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the national endowment lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Monday, the twenty-first day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, at the rentals mentioned in the said Schedule; and I do also declare that the said lands shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Bay of Islands County.—Ruapekapeka Parish.

SECTION 104: Area, 506 acres 1 rood; capital value, £260; half-yearly rental, £5 4s.

Altitude, 20 ft. to 560 ft. above sea-level. Undulating, hilly, and broken land, mostly covered with scrub and fern, and patches of ordinary mixed forest in gullies. Soil pipeclay and heavy clay, of inferior quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant five miles and a half from Taumarere Railway-station by partly formed rough cart-road.

Ohinemuri County.—Aroha Survey District.

Section 10, Block I: Area, 10 acres; capital value, £30; half-yearly rental, 12s.

Altitude, 450 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level. Rough and hilly land, in grass and rough feed, with a sprinkling of blackberry. Soil inferior clay, on rock formation; poorly watered by small stream. Distant about three-quarters of a mile from Karangahake Railway-station by good metalled cart-road.