

*Opening Lands in Taranaki Land District for Sale or 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, having received the report of the Under-Secretary in this behalf, as provided by section one hundred and fifty-four of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Wednesday, the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase, or on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

*Ohura County.—Aria Survey District.*

SECTION 4, Block XI: Area, 242 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £610. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £15 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £12 4s.

Section 14, Block XI: Area, 171 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £430. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £10 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £8 12s.

Situated on the Mangakahikatea Road. Access from Matiere from seven miles and a half to eight miles distant, via Waikaka, by formed dray-road. The land comprises undulating to steep spurs, covered with a light to heavy forest of tawa, hinau, tawhero, mahoe, rewarewa, towhai, tauekaha, &c., and a fairly heavy undergrowth of karamu, kotukutuku, karao, &c. There is a small area of open land on frontage of Section 4. The soil is of good quality, on a papa formation, and the sections are well watered. Elevation ranges from 600 ft. to 1,600 ft. above sea-level.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

*Ohura County.—Aria Survey District.*

Section 6, Block X: Area, 727 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,460. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £36 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £29 4s.

Weighted with £46 15s., valuation for improvements consisting of 17 acres felled and in grass.

Situated on the Waitewhena Road about one mile from the Waitewhena Post and Telephone Office. Access from the Town of Ohura, about thirteen miles distant by dray-road. Access also from Okahukura about thirty-five miles distant by dray-road, and Te Kuiti about forty miles by dray-road. The land comprises broken spurs and valleys suitable for sheep, also cattle on the flats and easy ridges. The section is covered with a fairly heavy forest of tawa, hinau, kahikatea, pukatea, rata, rimu, totara, birch, tawhero, rewarewa, &c., and a mixed undergrowth of karamu, kotukutuku, raurekau, wharangi, pongas, makomako, mahoe, toroa, supplejacks, &c. The soil varies from good to indifferent quality, or papa and sandstone formation: well watered. Elevation ranges from 600 ft. to 1,450 ft. above sea-level.

Section 15, Block XI: Area, 626 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,260. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £31 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £25 4s.

Situated on the Mangakahikatea and Waikaka Roads. Access from Matiere about seven miles distant, by formed dray-road. The section comprises undulating to steep spurs, covered with forest heavy in parts but light at road frontage, comprising tawa, hinau, tawhero, rewarewa, &c., with towai on spurs and a fairly heavy undergrowth of karamu, kotukutuku, karao, &c. The soil is of fair quality, resting on sandstone and papa formation. The section is well watered. Elevation ranges 600 ft. to 1,600 ft. above sea-level.

*Ohura County.—Tangitu Survey District.*

Section 7, Block XII: Area, 142 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £290. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £7 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5 16s.

Situated on Ongarue River Road. Access from Ongarue Railway-station, about two miles distant, by a good dray-

road. The section comprises mostly steep ridgy country, with enough flat land for a homestead-site on either side of the road. The growth of scrub is rather light comprising tutu, flax, koromiko, cabbage-trees, heavy and stunted manuka, and fern. The soil varies from indifferent to fair on pumice, rhyolite, papa, and sandstone formation. The section is well watered.

*Waitomo County.—Totoro Survey District.*

Section 10, Block V: Area, 470 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £940. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £23 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £18 16s.

Section 1, Block VIII: Area, 840 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,890. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £47 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £37 16s.

Situated on the Kohua Road. The easiest access at present is from Piopio, about eight miles and a half distant, of which four miles and a half are formed road, and the remainder rough pack-track. Later on there will be access to the railway at Kopaki, about nine miles and a half distant. The sections comprise undulating to steep country. There is some light bush along the frontage of Section 10, but the greater part of the sections is covered with heavy forest of tawa, hinau, rata, pukatea, rewarewa, kahikatea, rimu, &c., and a dense undergrowth of konini, mahoe, houhou, tawhero, raurekau, tataka, horoeka, &c. The soil is generally of good quality, resting on rhyolite formation, and the sections are well watered. Elevation ranges from 730 ft. to 1,090 ft. above sea-level.

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.

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SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

*Ohura County.—Heao Survey District.*

SECTION 3, Block IV: Area, 363 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £870. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £21 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £17 8s.

Section 4, Block IV: Area, 497 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,290. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £32 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £25 16s.

*Ohura County.—Ohura Survey District.*

Section 17, Block XVI: Area, 452 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,100. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £27 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £22.

Situated on the Wanganui River Road from a quarter of a mile to two miles from Aukopae Landing, which is about sixteen miles from Taumarunui—by formed dray-road for about a mile and a half, balance formed bridle-track. Access is also to be had from the river, there being landings opposite each section. About 20 acres of each of Sections 3 and 17 and 50 acres of Section 4 comprise flats and terraces, the balance being hilly undulating to broken country. The forest varies from heavy to light, comprising chiefly tawa, tawhero, rimu, rata, hinau, kahikatea, mahoe, kohiri, high