

Opening Lands in Hawke's Bay 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 Tuesday, the fourteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; 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.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—PATANGATA COUNTY.—
SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Purchase: Total Price.	Occupation with Right of Purchase: Half-yearly Rent.	Renewable Lease: Half-yearly Rent.
<i>Porangahau Survey District.</i>					
		A. R. P.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	X	764 1 10	6,630	165 15 0	132 12 0
1	XIV	632 2 28	4,670	116 15 0	93 8 0
2	"	724 2 33	4,810	120 5 0	96 4 0
3	"	684 1 36	4,540	113 10 0	90 16 0
4	"	634 1 37	4,370	109 5 0	87 8 0
5	"	605 2 7	4,020	100 10 0	80 8 0
6*	"	781 2 0	5,570	139 5 0	111 8 0
7	"	613 1 6	4,830	120 15 0	96 12 0
1	XV	588 3 32	3,390	84 15 0	67 16 0
<i>Tautane Survey District.</i>					
1	II	668 3 32	4,940	123 10 0	98 16 0
2	"	427 3 19	3,070	76 15 0	61 8 0
3	"	975 3 0	6,010	150 5 0	120 4 0
4	"	492 0 35	2,900	72 10 0	58 0 0

* Weighted with £100, valuation for buildings.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements included in the prices of the sections consist of fencing valued as follows:—

Porangahau S.D.—Block X, Section 1, £161 6s. 3d. Block XIV—Section 1, £74 13s. 9d.; Section 2, £34 5s.; Section 3, £36; Section 4, £6 15s.; Section 5, £36 19s.; Section 6, £43 2s. 6d. (also share of sheep-yards, £12 10s.); Section 7, £40 10s. Block XV, Section 1, £73 10s.

Tautane S.D.—Block II—Section 1, £40 10s.; Section 2, £28 2s. 6d. (also share of sheep-yards, £12 10s.); Section 3, £50; Section 4, £39.

Improvements not included in the prices of the sections, but which must be paid for separately, are as follows: Section 6, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—four-roomed house and sheds, valued at £100.

DESCRIPTIONS OF SECTIONS.

Section 1, Block X, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 100 ft. to 850 ft. Open pastoral country, hilly mostly, but having good even faces. The land is broken towards the east, and contains a few gullies running up to even steep country at the main range; part flat and terrace land and even rolling land on the hilltops, which are ploughable; about half the area is in exotic and native grasses, the balance in mingi and manuka scrub. Good soil, on papa formation. Sheep-yards are erected. Access from Porangahau, seven miles and a half, by formed and metalled dray-road.

Section 1, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude varies from 100 ft. to 400 ft. above sea-level. Open pastoral country, undulating generally, but slightly rougher towards the eastern boundary; about three-quarters of the area is in manuka and mingi scrub, balance in native and exotic grasses; well watered; some 60 to 70 acres are ploughable. The soil is good generally, loam on clay foundation, but is poorer towards the eastern boundary. Good homestead and yard site on flat adjoining Porangahau River. Access by formed and metalled road from Porangahau, distance eight miles.

Section 2, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 100 ft. to 600 ft. Open pastoral country, containing a fair area of flat and undulating land along the Mangaorapa Stream, but generally hilly and more broken on the east and south boundaries. The section is for the most part covered in mingi and manuka scrub interspersed with native and exotic grass, with good grass portions on the hilltops; watered principally by the Mangaorapa Stream and gullies in the east. The soil is good generally, loam on clay, with papa formation in places. Access from Porangahau, nine miles and a quarter distance, formed road, thence by a few chains of flat unformed road to the Mangaorapa Stream, which is fordable at most seasons.

Section 3, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 120 ft. to 350 ft. above sea-level. Open pastoral country, containing about 200 acres of terrace and easy undulating land, balance easy sloping spurs more broken on the north and east; part in native and exotic grasses, balance in light scrub, and a small clump of bush; well watered. Access from Porangahau, eleven miles and a quarter by formed road, thence by 14 chains of unformed road to the Mangaorapa Stream, which is not fordable.

Section 4, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 120 ft. to 930 ft. Open pastoral country, containing a fair amount of terrace and easy undulating land, balance in easy sloping spurs; hilly on the west near the south boundary, and in the east towards the main range; a very good spur with easy slopes traverses the section; about half is in native and exotic grasses, balance in scrub, with a small clump of ngaio bush near the main range. The soil is a good quality, on both sandstone and papa foundation; well watered. Access from Porangahau, similar to Section 3.

Section 5, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 130 ft. to 900 ft. Open pastoral country, hilly generally, with a fair amount of terrace and easy sidling country; gully in centre of section running up in even steep slopes to the main range, where the land is undulating and in good grass. Good soil, on clay, sandstone, and papa foundation. The section contains an even sloping spur in good grass on the south, the balance is under low scrub with a clump of good mixed bush; well watered. Access from Porangahau, distant twelve miles, by formed road, thence by seventeen chains of unformed road-line to the Mangaorapa Stream, which is unbridged but easily crossed.

Section 6, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 50 ft. to 900 ft. Open and bush pastoral country; hilly to broken in the centre of the section, and gradually rising to the main range; steep even faces fronting the Mangamaire Stream, with a fair area of flat and undulating land in the south-east, which is in good grass. The section contains about 125 acres of good mixed bush, the balance is in fern and scrub interspersed with grass. There is a house of four rooms in good repair and three outbuildings on the section. Well watered. Access from Porangahau, distant seven miles, half of which is metalled, thence by a few chains of unformed and unbridged new road-line to the Mangamaire Stream, which is fordable.

Section 7, Block XIV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude, 100 ft. to 800 ft. Open pastoral country, consisting of about 300 acres of rolling and easy undulating and sidling land, balance hilly; about three-quarters of the area is in good native and exotic grasses, balance in scrub. The soil is good, on clay, sandstone, and papa foundation; well watered. Access from Porangahau by formed road, distant twelve miles, thence by unformed road fifty chains.

Section 1, Block XV, Porangahau S.D.—Altitude varies from 100 ft. to 800 ft. above sea-level. Open grazing-country, with exception of from 80 to 100 acres of birch and mixed bush at head of gully running through the section. The southern boundary, which is fenced, follows a steep narrow spur with steep faces down to stream. The northern boundary follows south slopes of high wide leading spur, which has generally steep even fall to stream. There are patches of undulating land in places, and about 26 acres of flats around the Mangamaire and Matanui Streams, by which section is well watered. Access from Porangahau by formed and metalled road, distance four miles and a half.

Section 1, Block II, Tautane S.D.—Altitude, 150 ft. to 780 ft. above sea-level. Open pastoral country; about 300 acres easy undulating and sidling land, balance hilly; about half the section in good native and exotic grasses, balance in mingi and manuka scrub. Soil good, on clay, papa, and sandstone formation; portion of the ground in the north-east corner is inclined to slide, and is swampy; watered only by a gully stream and the Mangaorapa Stream. Access from Porangahau by formed road, twelve miles, thence by unformed road sixty-two chains and a half.

Section 2, Block II, Tautane S.D.—Altitude, 60 ft. to 800 ft. Open pastoral land, mostly hilly, with a fair amount of undulating and flat land towards the Mangamaire Stream;