

to section one hundred and thirty-five of the said Act, as it contains, or is supposed to contain, metal, mineral, or valuable stone.

## SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—WAITOMO COUNTY.—TOTORO SURVEY DISTRICT.

*First-class Land.*

SECTION 12, Block X: Area, 559 acres; capital value, £1,400; half-yearly rent, £28.

Situated between the Ohura-Mokau and Kiekie Roads. Access from Aria Township, one mile distant by the Ohura-Mokau Road, and two miles by the Kiekie Road, both roads being formed for wheel traffic. Comprises level to easy sloping and rather steep country, with some areas of raupo swamp. The vegetation varies from fern, manuka, raupo, and tutu to heavy bush of rata, rimu, pukatea, tawa, tawhero, hinau, kahikatea, titoki, rewarewa, &c., with a fairly dense undergrowth of supplejacks, mahoe, whau-whau, kotututuku, raurekau, pongas, &c. Soil fair to good quality, resting on papa formation; well watered.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-second day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

F. H. D. BELL,  
For Minister of Lands.

*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 Friday, the twenty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen; 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.

*Waitomo County.—Aria Survey District.*

SECTION 25, Block II: Area, 15 acres 3 roods 9 perches. Capital value, £100. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2 10s. [Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2.

Situated at the junction of the Kaeaea and Paro Roads, about six miles from Aria Township by formed dray-road, or thirty miles from Te Kuiti Railway-station by formed dray-road. The Kaeaea Post and Telephone Office is within a few chains, and there is a school within a mile. Comprises low easy ridges to level land, swampy in places. The forest is light, and comprises kahikatea, tawhero, tarata, five-finger, horopito, pongas, manuka, fern, and raupo, with a fairly dense undergrowth of a scrubby nature. Soil varies from fair to very good, resting on papa formation; well watered.

*Ohuro County.—Heao Survey District.*

Section 3, Block IV: Area, 361 acres. Capital value, £860. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £21 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £17 4s.

Situated on the Wanganui River Road, about three-quarters of a mile from Aukopae Landing. Aukopae Landing is about sixteen miles from Taumarunui—by dray-road for about two miles and a half, balance by a formed bridle-track on parts of which narrow wagons can be used. Access also from the Wanganui River, there being landings on the bank opposite section. The section comprises about 20 acres flat and terraces, balance undulating and hilly to broken. The forest varies from light to heavy, comprising tawa, tawhero, rimu, rata, hinau, kahikatea, mahoe, hoheri, high

manuka, rewarewa, &c., with a dense undergrowth of kotukutuku, raurekau, hoho, supplejacks, tutu, ferns, pongas, tupari. About one-half of the section is in bush, balance in fern, tutu, manuka, makomako, &c. Soil of good quality; flats alluvial, with a little pumice, hills heavy loam; resting on papa formation; well watered. Elevation, from 510 ft. to 1,300 ft. above sea-level. There are old Native cultivations along the river frontage.

*Ohura County.—Piopiotea West Survey District.*

Section 21, Block II: Area, 6 acres 2 roods 18 perches. Capital value, £120. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3. [Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 8s.

Situated on the Wanganui River Road, about two miles from Taumarunui. Access from that town by dray-road one mile, balance pack-track; dray-road access will be completed shortly; access also along the river-bank reserve. Section comprises fern and heavy manuka land, about 4 acres being flat and suitable for building purposes, balance rather swampy. Soil of good quality, on papa formation; well watered. Elevation, from 580 ft. to 590 ft. above sea-level.

Section 1, Block IV: Area, 169 acres. Capital value, £350. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £8 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £7.

Situated on the Omaka and Wanganui River Roads. Access from Taumarunui, about five miles and a half distant—one mile dray-road, balance pack-track; dray-road access under construction will be completed in about nine months; access also from Taumarunui by steamer service to landing at Towhenua, adjoining the section. Section comprises flat land and undulating hills covered with fern and manuka, a good deal of the section being ploughable. Soil of pumice formation on the flats; but good on the hills, on papa formation. Elevation, from 550 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level.

*Ohura County.—Rangi Survey District.*

Section 1, Block II: Area, 320 acres. Capital value, £960. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £24. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £19 4s.

Situated at the junction of the Okoroa and Ongarue River Roads, close to the junction of the Stratford-Okahukura and Main Trunk Railways. Access from Okahukura Railway-station, about a quarter of a mile distant, by formed dray-road. Section comprises easy to steep slopes, covered with fern along the railway frontage, with mixed heavy bush at the western end comprising hinau, tawhero, tawa, mahoe, &c., and a fairly heavy undergrowth. Soil of fair quality, resting on papa formation; well watered. Elevation, from 600 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block II: Area, 72 acres. Capital value, £200. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £5. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4.

Situated at the junction of the Okoroa and Ongarue River Roads, and near the junction of the Stratford-Okahukura and Main Trunk Railways. Access from Okahukura Railway-station, about a quarter of a mile distant, by formed coach-road. Undulating and fairly steep fern-covered hills. Soil of fair quality, principally on papa formation; well watered. Elevation, from 600 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level.

Section 3, Block II: Area, 67 acres. Capital value, £170. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £4 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 8s.

Section 5, Block II: Area, 74 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £230. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £5 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4 12s.

Situated on the Okoroa Road close to the junction of the Stratford-Okahukura and Main Trunk Railways. Access from Okahukura Railway-station, from half a mile to a mile distant by a formed coach-road. Undulating and fairly steep fern-covered hills, with a few acres of mixed bush on Section 5. Soil of fair quality, principally on papa formation; well watered. Elevation, from 620 ft. to 1,020 ft. above sea-level.

Section 4, Block II: Area, 82 acres. Capital value, £250. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £6 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5.

Section 6, Block II: Area, 100 acres. Capital value, £350. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £8 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £7.

Section 7, Block II: Area, 295 acres. Capital value, £1,040. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £26. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £20 16s.

Situated on the Kura Road. Access from Okahukura Railway-station, from a mile to a mile and a half distant—by formed coach-road for a quarter of a mile, balance pack-track. Sections 4 and 6 comprise flat, undulating, and hilly country, covered with fern and scrub. There are a few acres of mixed bush suitable for fencing on Section 6, and a good deal of