

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

West Taupo County.—Tuhua Survey District.

Section 2, Block I: Area, 994 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,490. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £37 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £29 16s.

Altitude, 650 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to broken country; about 860 acres fern, balance mixed forest comprising rata, rimu, matai, tawa, hinau, kahikatea, and a little totara, with thick undergrowth of wharangi, mahoe, kotukutuku, &c. Soil fair to good, on rhyolite and papa formation; well watered by permanent streams. Distant a mile and a quarter from Ongarue by road unformed.

Section 2, Block V: Area, 807 acres 2 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,210. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £30 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £24 4s.

Altitude, 650 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to broken land; about 350 acres fern, balance mixed forest comprising rata, rimu, matai, tawa, hinau, kahikatea, and a little totara, with thick undergrowth of mahoe, wharangi, kotukutuku, &c. Soil fair to good, on rhyolite and papa formation; well watered by streams. Distant a mile and a half from Te Koura Railway-station by partly formed dray-road and horse-track.

Section 3, Block V: Area, 847 acres 1 rood 25 perches. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,270. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £31 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £25 8s.

Altitude, 650 ft. to 2,000 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to broken land; about 500 acres fern, balance mixed forest comprising rata, rimu, matai, tawa, hinau, kahikatea, and a little totara, with thick undergrowth of mahoe, wharangi, kotukutuku, &c. Soil fair to good, on rhyolite and papa formation; well watered by permanent streams. Distant three-quarters of a mile from Te Koura Railway-station by partly formed dray-road.

Section 1, Block VII: Area, 1,531 acres 3 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £2,300. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £57 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £46.

Altitude, 700 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to hilly land; in many places the ridges are flat topped, and a large area is ploughable. About 950 acres fern land, balance mixed forest comprising rimu, matai, tawa, hinau, rewarewa, totara, and tawhero, with light undergrowth of mahoe, wharangi, kotukutuku, &c. Soil fair to good, on rhyolite and papa formation; well watered by permanent streams. Distant four miles and a half from Ongarue by tramline and road to be formed shortly.

Hobson County.—Tutamoe Survey District.

Section 11, Block XIII: Area, 146 acres 0 roods 32 perches. Cash purchase: Total price, £110. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 4s.

Altitude, 380 ft. to 900 ft. above sea-level. About 5 acres broken, balance undulating land covered with fern and scrub. There are about twelve small dry kauri-trees, only sufficient for fencing and building. Soil of rather poor quality, clay and light loam, with ironstone on clay subsoil; well watered by stream and swampy spring. Distant six miles from Kaihu by cart-road partly metalled.

Rodney County.—Arai Parish.

Sections 31 and 32: Area, 260 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £165. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £4 2s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 6s.

Altitude, 50 ft. to 300 ft. above sea-level. About 25 acres swamp, covered with rushes, flax, raupo, and light manuka; balance undulating, with a small portion broken, covered with fern and scrub. Clay soil of medium quality, on sandstone formation; fairly watered by swampy gullies. Distant four miles and a half from Te Arai Post-office—four miles by formed cart-road, balance unformed.

Whangarei County.—Whangarei Parish.

Section 7: Area, 168 acres 3 roods 10 perches. Cash purchase: Total price, £510. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £12 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £10 4s.

Weighted with £30 valuation for half-share in 52½ chains boundary drain.

Altitude, 340 ft. to 345 ft. above sea-level. All deep peat swamp, covered with rushes. Soil peat of medium quality; well watered by small stream. Distant two miles and a half from Kauri Railway-station by cart-road, 10 chains to be formed.

Ohinemuri County.—Waitoa Survey District.

Section 1, Block V: Area, 461 acres 2 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £230. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £5 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4 12s.

Altitude, 400 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level. Broken land, covered with fern and manuka, with clumps of mixed forest in gullies. Soil of second-class quality, on clay subsoil; poorly watered by springs. Distant six miles from Tahuna or Waikaka by formed road. Owing to the steepness of the country the immediate road access is bad.

Waikato County.—Taupiri Parish.

Section 405: Area, 153 acres 3 roods. Cash purchase: Total price, £115. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2 17s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 6s.

Altitude, 200 ft. to 400 ft. above sea-level. Broken land, mostly fern and manuka, with patches of light mixed forest in gullies. Soil of poor quality, on clay subsoil; fairly watered by springs. Distant fourteen miles from Ohinewai—thirteen miles fair road and one mile track.

Opotiki County.—Waiawa Survey District.

Section 3, Block XVI: Area, 738 acres. Cash purchase: Total price, £1,100. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £27 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £22.

Altitude, 1,000 ft. to 2,800 ft. above sea-level. About 30 or 40 acres ploughable; balance hilly land, covered with mixed forest, principally tawa, some matai, rimu, totara, and kaiwaka, with birch, tawhero, and tawhiri on hilltops; thick undergrowth of puna, supplejack, konini, horopito, makomako, mahoe, &c. Soil good volcanic substance, on clay subsoil; well watered by permanent streams. Distant about twenty-seven miles from Opotiki—fourteen miles main Opotiki-Motu dray-road, balance good bridle-track.

Opotiki County.—Waiotahi Parish.

Sections 310 and 313: Area, 11 acres 1 rood 26 perches. Cash purchase: Total price, £25. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, 12s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, 10s.

Altitude, 1 ft. to 50 ft. above sea-level. Broken land, covered with fern and scrub. Poor sandy soil, on pumice and gravel formation; well watered by springs. Distant two miles from Ohiwa by water, or at low tide along the beach, which is hard enough for horse traffic.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor,
this eighteenth day of February, one thousand
nine hundred and fifteen.

H. D. BELL,
For Minister of Lands.

Opening Lands in Auckland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

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 lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, at the rentals mentioned in the said Schedule; and I do also declare that the said lands shall be leased under and subject to section one hundred and thirty-five of the said Act, as they contain, or are supposed to contain, metal, mineral, or valuable stone.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—HAURAKI MINING DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Coromandel County.—Hastings Survey District.

SECTION 3, Block IV, and Sections 5 and 6, Block V: Area, 388 acres 2 roods; capital value, £235; half-yearly rent, £4 14s.

Altitude, 50 ft. to 500 ft. above sea-level. About 21 acres flat, 70 acres undulating, balance broken; all covered with fern and scrub, except about 12 acres scrubby forest; worked-out kauri forest badly infested with blackberries. Soil sandy loam on flat, clay on hills, on slate formation; well watered by streams. Distance six miles and a half from Whitianga by cart-road.