

Altitude, 700 ft. to 1,195 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to hilly land; about 16 acres ordinary mixed forest, balance fern land, a considerable portion of which is ploughable. Soil poor red loam and ironstone, on clay and shale formation; fairly watered by Mangakaratu Stream. Distant about eleven miles from Kerikeri Landing by cart-road formed where necessary.

Hokianga County.—Waikū Survey District.

Section 23, Block XVI: Area, 190 acres. Capital value, £130. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 12s.

Altitude, 1,000 ft. to 1,600 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to hilly land, covered with heavy mixed forest comprising rimu, rata, miro, pukatea, &c., with dense undergrowth of kohutuhutu, hangchange, karamu, mahoe, kiekie, tokiwi, supplejack, &c. A considerable area was felled some years ago, but not burnt, and is now in second growth. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about twelve miles from Waimamaku—six miles by cart-road, four miles by formed bridle-track, balance in course of formation.

Sections 9 and 10, Block XV, and Sections 20 and 21, Block XVI: Area, 424 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £260. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £6 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5 4s.

Altitude, 600 ft. to 900 ft. above sea-level. Undulating land, covered with heavy mixed forest comprising rata, rimu, kahikatea, taraire, &c., with dense undergrowth of kiekie, nikau, toetoe, and shrubs. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about twelve miles from Waimamaku, six miles of which is by cart-road, four miles formed bridle-track, balance in course of formation.

Waitemata County.—Paremoreno Parish.

Section 254: Area, 29 acres 3 roods 2 perches. Capital value, £130. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 12s.

Altitude, 100 ft. to 250 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to broken country, covered with fern and manuka. Brown soil of fairly good quality, on clay subsoil; poorly watered. Distant about three miles from Riverhead by formed road.

Section 308: Area, 25 acres 1 rood 6 perches. Capital value, £200. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £5. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4.

Weighted with £24, valuation for improvements comprising iron house 13 ft. by 12 ft., stable, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre grassing and fencing.

Altitude, 200 ft. to 250 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to broken fern and manuka land, of which one-half is ploughable. Soil inferior clay, on sandstone formation; indifferently watered, but water can probably be obtained by sinking. Distant three miles from Albany and eleven miles and a half from Birkenhead by formed road, or six miles from Takapuna by main coach road to within a short distance of section.

Rotorua County.—Rotorua Survey District.

Section 13, Block VIII: Area, 215 acres 3 roods 8 perches. Capital value, £270. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £6 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5 8s.

Altitude, 1,300 ft. to 1,450 ft. above sea-level. Generally undulating land, but broken in places; covered with fern and tutu. Fair soil of a light pumice nature, on pumice formation; poorly watered. Distant about five miles and a half from Ngongotaha Railway-station by good formed road.

Whangaroa County.—Kohumaru Parish.

Section 1: Area, 188 acres 2 roods 32 perches. Capital value, £110. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 4s.

Altitude, 200 ft. to 700 ft. above sea-level. Undulating and hilly land; about 40 to 50 acres ordinary mixed forest, balance fern country. Soil a strong clay of poor quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by stream. Distant about six miles from Totara North, five miles of which is by coach-road, balance rough bridle-track, to be improved shortly.

Rotorua County.—Otanewainuku Survey District.

Section 29, Block XV: Area, 101 acres. Capital value, £180. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £4 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 12s.

Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Undulating land; about half rough grass and blackberry, balance scrub and light mixed forest comprising tawa, rata, mangeo, hinau, rewarewa, tawhero, &c., with thick undergrowth of raureka, mahoe, whau, makomako, kotukutuku, &c. Soil of good quality, of a pumice nature, on volcanic-cement formation; no water on section. Fronts coach road from Tauranga to Rotorua, about twenty miles from either town.

Hokianga County.—Tutamoe Survey District.

Section 17, Block V: Area, 160 acres. Capital value, £120. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £3. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £2 7s.

Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Undulating land, covered with heavy mixed forest comprising towai, rimu, miro, tawa, &c., with heavy undergrowth of punga, supplejack, mahoe, konini, and ferns. Heavy chocolate semi-volcanic soil, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about thirteen miles and a half from Kaihu, thirteen miles of which is by cart-road, remainder 6 ft. formed track.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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

Opening Lands in Auckland Land District for Selection by Discharged Soldiers 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, which have been set apart for selection by discharged soldiers, shall be open for selection by discharged soldiers on renewable lease on Monday, the twenty-second day of January, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, 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 Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and section one hundred and thirty-five of the Land Act, 1908, as they contain, or are supposed to contain, metal, mineral, or valuable stone.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Bay of Islands County.—Hukerenui Survey District.

SECTION 14, Block III: Area, 339 acres 0 roods 13 perches; capital value, £340; half-yearly rent, £6 16s.

Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,300 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to hilly land; about one-third green and burnt mixed forest, balance burnt kauri-workings now in fern and rough feed. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about six miles from Whakapara Railway-station by formed road.

Section 16, Block III: Area, 112 acres 3 roods 19 perches; capital value, £70; half-yearly rent, £1 8s.

Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level. Hilly and broken land; about one-fourth ordinary mixed forest, balance burnt forest and fern. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about seven miles and a quarter from Whakapara Railway-station by formed road.

Section 8, Block IV: Area, 234 acres 3 roods; capital value, £300; half-yearly rent, £6.

Altitude, 775 ft. to 1,200 ft. above sea-level. Undulating to hilly land, with small river-flats; mostly burnt kauri-workings in fern and rough feed. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about six miles and a half from Whakapara Railway-station by formed road.

Section 9, Block IV: Area, 353 acres 1 rood; capital value, £220; half-yearly rent, £4 8s.

Altitude, 850 ft. to 1,400 ft. above sea-level. Hilly and broken land, with a little green mixed forest; balance burnt kauri-workings now in fern and carrying a good deal of rough feed in places. Soil of fair quality, on sandstone formation; well watered by streams. Distant about seven miles from Whakapara by formed road.

Section 11, Block IV: Area, 924 acres 0 roods 16 perches; capital value, £460; half-yearly rent, £9 4s.

Altitude, 850 ft. to 1,500 ft. above sea-level. Hilly and broken land of inferior quality; about one-third green and burnt forest, balance burnt kauri-workings now in fern. Well watered by streams. Distant about eight miles and a quarter from Whakapara, eight miles of which is by formed road, balance unformed horse-track.

Bay of Islands and Whangarei Counties.—Hukerenui Survey District.

Section 7, Block IV: Area, 171 acres; capital value, £260; half-yearly rent, £5 4s.

Altitude, 750 ft. to 1,000 ft. above sea-level. Level and undulating land, mostly old kauri-workings, in fern, and carrying a considerable amount of rough feed. Some good