

*Buller County.—Oparara Survey District.—Karamea Mining District.*

Section 72, Block XIV: Area, 127 acres; capital value, £180; half-yearly rent, £3 12s.

About two miles and a quarter from Karamea Post-office. The milling-timber has been cut. The forest consists of rimu, mixed birch, supplejack, kiekie, horopito, pungapunga, fuchsia, karaka, &c. The section lies well to the sun, and varies from flat to somewhat steep; watered by small streams from the hillside, and has a frontage to Baker's Creek.

*Murchison County.—Maruia Survey District.—Westland Mining District.*

Section part 3, Block XV: Area, 323 acres 2 roods; capital value, £240; half-yearly rent, £4 16s.

About 20 acres of good river-flat, 30 acres flat terrace rather damp and mossy, remainder hill of good quality. All the section is covered with birch bush of various kinds; well watered; hills rise to an altitude of 1,200 ft. above sea-level. About twenty-three miles from Murchison via mouth of Maruia River and south bank of Buller River, twenty miles being formed road, balance cleared and in course of formation.

*Murchison County.—Matiri Survey District.—Westland Mining District.*

Section 4, Block III: Area, 495 acres; capital value, £290; half-yearly rent, £5 16s.

All hills of fair quality, suitable for pastoral purposes; covered with bush, principally brown and silver birch of no commercial value. Altitude, 1,500 ft. to 3,500 ft. About nineteen miles from Glenhope Railway-station—fifteen miles by dray-road, balance by bridle-track.

*Murchison County.—Lewis Survey District.—Westland Mining District.*

Section 1, Block IV: Area, 471 acres; capital value, £350; half-yearly rent, £7.

About 230 acres flat, balance steep sidling; the formation is a slaty schist soil, good on flat but poor on sidling. Part of section ploughable, balance pastoral country; about 5 acres open, remainder heavy birch bush, with thick underscrub of birch, broadleaf, and horopito. Altitude, 1,500 ft. to 4,000 ft. Thirty-five miles from Reefton, partly by pack-track and partly by formed road; or sixty-three miles from Murchison by formed road. Good homestead-site fronting the Alfred River.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

LIGHT-BUSH LAND.

(Exempt from Rent for Two Years.)

*Buller County.—Mokihinui Survey District.—Westland Mining District.*

SECTION 32, Block XI: Area, 100 acres; capital value, £100; half-yearly rent, £2.

All hill, broken papa formation, covered with bush consisting of birch, rimu, rata, kahikatea, and dense underscrub. Milling-timber has been cut out. About 30 acres on frontage fern scrub, with dead timber and second growth. Situated on Mokihinui-Karamea dray-road, and about three miles from Mokihinui Township.

*Takaka County.—Totaranui Survey District.—Karamea Mining District.*

Section 9, Block III: Area, 224 acres 2 roods 23 perches; capital value, £170; half-yearly rent, £3 8s.

Rough hills, covered chiefly with heavy birch and rimu bush, thick undergrowth of supplejack, &c. Fair soil for grass in gullies, but inferior on hilltops. Distance from Motupipi Post-office eight miles and a half, four miles and a half being good dray-road, three miles and a half bridle-track, and half a mile unformed.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

SCRUB LAND.

(Exempt from Rent for One Year.)

*Takaka County.—Kaiteriteri Survey District.—Karamea Mining District.*

SECTION parts 7 and 8, Block III: Area, 423 acres; capital value, £210; half-yearly rent, £4 4s.

Land is all steep hills, of fair quality, of a granite formation, suitable for pastoral purposes only; mostly covered with

mixed bush and scrub. Altitude, from sea-level to 1,200 ft. Access at present by sea, track on east boundary of Section 7 being unformed.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Dominion of New Zealand and its Dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Dominion, at the Government House at Wellington, this ninth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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

GOD SAVE THE KING!

*Declaring National Endowment Lands in the Karamea Mining District, Nelson Land District, open for Disposal to Discharged Soldiers on Renewable Lease.*

[L.S.] LIVERPOOL, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and thirty-three of the Land Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor, by Proclamation, may from time to time declare any Crown lands within any mining district not held under lease or license, or for which a lease or license has been cancelled, to be open for disposal, as provided in section one hundred and thirty-five of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by section one hundred and thirty-three of the said Act, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the sections of national endowment land described in the Schedules hereto, which have been set apart for selection by discharged soldiers under the said Act, shall be open on Wednesday, the tenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, for disposal on renewable lease, as provided in section one hundred and thirty-five of the said Act.

And I do also declare that for the purposes of section one hundred and twenty-seven of the said Act the sections of land described in the First and Second Schedules hereto shall be deemed to be "heavy-bush land," and the sections in the Third Schedule shall be deemed to be "light-bush land."

And I do hereby provide that, after the first half-year's rent has been paid by the selector, the further instalments of rent payable by him for a period of four years in the case of the heavy-bush land in the First Schedule, three years in the case of the heavy-bush land described in the Second Schedule, and two years in the case of the light-bush land described in the Third Schedule shall not be demanded; provided that if at any time during the first five years of his occupancy the selector disposes of his interest in the land the rent so conceded shall be paid by him in full, and thereupon the Land Board may remit such instalments of rent payable by the incoming tenant, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of rent previously conceded to the selector, as the Board thinks fit.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

SECOND-CLASS HEAVY-BUSH LAND.—NATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

*Buller County.—Kongahu Survey District.—Karamea Mining District.*

(Exempt from Rent for Four Years.)

SECTION 4, Block VI: Area, 446 acres; capital value, £280; half-yearly rent, £5 12s.

Broken country, ranging from easy to steep slopes, limestone and papa formation; all forest, consisting of brown, silver, and red birch, with a few rimu. Undergrowth consists of supplejack, kiekie, punga, &c. Soil good. Section suitable for sheep and a few cattle. Fronts main road, Karamea to Mokihinui, four miles from Corbyvale Telephone-office and fifteen miles from railway.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

SECOND-CLASS HEAVY-BUSH LAND.—NATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

*Inangahua County.—Inangahua Survey District.—Westland Mining District.*

(Exempt from Rent for Three Years.)

SECTION 17, Block VIII: Area, 587 acres; capital value, £445; half-yearly rent, £8 18s.