Consent under Section 298 of the Native Land Act, 1909.

IN pursuance of the power conferred upon the Native Minister by subsection (b) of section 298 of the Native Land Act, 1909, I, William Herbert Herries, Native Minister, acting on the recommendation of the Tairawhiti District Maori Land Board, do hereby consent to a lease of Herupara 28 No. 1 Block, containing 4 acres 1 rood, situated in the Provincial District of Auckland, subject to the same restrictions and to the same requirements as to confirmation and otherwise as if the land was not subject to Part XVI of the Native Land Act, 1909. As witness my hand this 28th day of July, 1916.

W. H. HERRIES. Native Minister

Result of Election of a Trustee of a Drainage District.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 24th July, 1916. THE following result of the election of a trustee of a drainage district has been received from the Returning Officer, and is published in accordance with the provisions of the Land Drainage Act, 1908.

J. HISLOP. Under-Secretary.

Steward Settlement Water-race District, County of Waitaki David Williams.

Officiating Ministers for 1916.-Notice No. 23.

Registrar General's Office,

Wellington, 2nd August, 1916. PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908. the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information :

> Presbyterian Church of New Zealand. The Reverend ALEXANDER ALEXANDER. SIDNEY LEVI BOOTE.

Congregational Independents.

The Reverend CLYDE LEONARD CARR

W. W. COOK. Deputy Registrar-General.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Lands in Otago Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 26th July, 1916.

NOTICE is hereby given that the leases of the under-mentioned lands having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Otago Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Section 23, Block XIV, Rimu District.

TENURE: O.R.P. Lease No. 505. Formerly held by G. Bartlett. Reason for forfeiture : Non-payment of rent.

Section 35, Block XIV, Rimu District.

Tenure: O.R.P. Lease No. 493. Formerly held by G. Lyon. Reason for forfeiture : Selector's request.

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

Education Reserves in Wellington Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office.

Wellington, 31st July, 1916. NOTICE is hereby given that the education reserves described in the Schedule hereto will be offered for lease by public auction at the Courthouse, Masterton, at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, 20th September, 1916, under

the provisions of the Education Reserves Act, 1908, and amendments, and the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

Wellington Land District.--Education Reserves. Masterton County, Block I, Otahoua Survey District.

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LOCALITY AND DESCRIPTION.

Situated about a mile from Masterton Post-office. Access is by metalled roads. The lots comprise flat grassed land, with soil varying from poor light and stony to richer peaty soil, on river-grit formation.

ABSTRACT OF CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. A half-year's rent at the rate offered, lease and registration fees (£2 2s.) to be paid on the fall of the hammer.

2. Term of lease is twenty-one years, with perpetual right of renewal for further successive terms of twenty-one years. 3. Rent of renewal lease to be fixed by arbitration. If lessee does not desire new lease at end of any term, land to be leased by auction. The incoming lessee to pay the value (to be handed over to the outgoing lessee) of the improve-ments effected with the consent of the Lond Reard. Failing ments effected with the consent of the Land Board. Failing disposal, the land and improvements to revert to the Crown without compensation.

 Land Board to approve of improvements proposed.
 No transfer or sublease allowed without the consent of the Land Board.

6. Interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum to be paid on rent in arrears.

7. Buildings on land to be insured to their full insurable value.

8. Lease will be registered under the Land Transfer Act.

9. Lessee to pay all rates, taxes, and assessments. 10. Lessee to keep the land free from noxious weeds, rabbits, and vermin.

11. Lessee not to use or remove any gravel without the consent of the Land Board.

12. Lessee not to carry on any noxious, noisome, or offensive trade upon the land. 13. Lease is liable to forfeiture if conditions violated.

14. Lessee not to take more than three crops in succession, one of which must be a root crop; after the third crop the land to be left in pasture for at least three years; at least two-thirds of the area cropped to be left in pasture at the expiration of term. Penalty for breach, £5 per acre. 15. Lessee to maintain in good substantial repair all build-

ings, drains, and fences; to keep clear all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses; to trim all live hedges; and to yield up all improvements in good order and condition at the expiration of his lease.

16. Lessee to have no right to any minerals, all rights to which, together with rights of access for the purpose of working the same, are reserved by and on behalf of the Crown.

G. H. M. McCLURE, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Auckland Land District for Disposal under the Land Act, 1908.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 24th July, 1916. N OTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 326 of the Land Act, 1908, that Section 21, Block XII, Mangakahia Survey District, Whangarei County, Auckland Land District, area 51 acres 1 rood 34 perches, will be dis-posed of under the provisions of the said Act on or after Monday. 23rd October. 1916. Monday, 23rd October, 1916.

H. M. SKEET, Commissioner of Crown Lands