capital value, £4,500; half-yearly rent on renewable lease, and sow same in grass, (d) surface sow in grass any portion

About 100 acres tussock slopes, fair to poor soil on rock; remainder very steep broken hills, generally covered with tussock. Well watered by Opuha River and streams. Altitude, 1,400 ft. to 3,100 ft. Ten miles and a half from Fairlie, nine miles and a half of which is by metalled road.

IMPROVEMENTS

The improvements that go with the land are as follows: Section 1—190 chains of fencing valued at £77 10s.; Section 2—215 chains of fencing, valued at £53 15s.; Section 3—490 chains of fencing, valued at £70; Section 4—310 chains of fencing valued at £77 10s.; Section 5—240 chains of fencing valued at £46 5s.

Sale posters and full particulars may be obtained from this

W. H. SKINNER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Southland Land District, open for License by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Invercargill, 23rd January, 1917. NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs will be offered for license by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th day of February, 1917, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and its amendments

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.--WALLACE COUNTY.

Class A .- Bluff Harbour Endowment.

Run 181a, Blocks V, IX, and X, Taringatura Survey District:

Area, 2,657 acres; upset annual rental, £125 10s.
Weighted with £185 19s. 3d., valuation for fencing, hut, sheep-yards, and salt-box sheds.

Hilly country, free from snow, and covered with silver tussock; good pasture. Situated four miles from Mossburn Railway-station by good level road.

Class A .-- Crown Land.

Run 176b, Manapouri, Mararoa, and Takitimo Survey Districts: Area, 21,340 acres; upset annual rental, £130. Weighted with £407 11s. 8d., valuation for fencing, hut,

and sheep-yards.

The whole is low, undulating country, free from snow, covered with fern and tussock. Situated ten miles from The Key, and thirty miles from Mossburn Railway-station, by practically level road.

Abstract of Conditions.

- 1. Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1917.
- 2. Term of license, fourteen years from 1st March, 1917.
- 3. Purchaser must be over twenty-one years of age
- 4. One half-year's rent, £1 10s, license fee, valuation for improvements, and statutory declaration to be deposited by the purchaser on the fall of the hammer. Rent commences from 1st March, 1917.
- 5. No person may hold more than one run, except on the recommendation of the Land Board and with the approval of the Minister of Lands. If a husband holds a run, his wife is deemed to be a runholder, and vice versa.
- 6. Runs classified as pastoral lands (Class A) may not be resumed for settlement; runs classified as pastoral-agricultural lands (Class B) may be so resumed without payment of compensation; 300 acres of any run may be resumed for grassing
- 7. Rent is payable half-yearly, in advance, on 1st March and 1st September in each year. If not paid within thirty days of due date, a penalty of 10 per centum is added.
- 8. Term of license to be as stated hereon, with contingent right of renewal over the whole or a subdivision of the run for a similar term.
- 9. Licensee to prevent destruction or burning of timber, burning of snow tussock, burning of other tussock, except in July, August, and September; to prevent growth and spread of gorse, broom, sweetbrier, or other noxious weeds or plants; to keep down rabbits, and to refrain from burning grass during such months as the Commissioner of Crown Lands shall from time to time determine.
- 10. Licensee to have no right to the timber or flax on the land comprised in the license.
- 11. With the permission of the Land Board the licensee may (a) cultivate a portion of the run and grow winter feed thereon, (b) plough and sow in grass any area not exceeding 3,000 acres, (c) clear of bush or scrub any portion of the run

of the run.

On expiry of license the value of licensee's improvements will be protected.

12. License is liable to forfeiture if conditions are violated.

H. D. M. HASZARD. Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Marlborough Land District for Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

> District Lands and Survey Office. Blenheim, 23rd January, 1917.

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OTICE is hereby given that the undermen ioned lands are onen for selection. An are open for selection on renewable lease by discharged soldiers under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1908, and the regulations thereunder; and applications will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, 21st March,

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Friday, 23rd March, 1917, at 10 o'clock a.m.

The ballot will be held at the conclusion of the examination of applicants.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT .- SECOND-CLASS LAND. Wairau County. Avon Survey District.—Erina Settlement.

Section.	Area.	Capital Value.	Half-yearly Rent.	
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
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		· ·	3 18 0*	
2s and 2A s	627 - 0 - 0	3,735 0 0	84 0 9	
3s and 3As	592 - 2 = 0	3,365 0 0	75 14 3	
4s and 4As	746 2 0	3,920 0 0	88 4 0	
6s and 6As	698 - 3 - 0	4,115 0 0	92 11 9	
			3 18 0	
7s and 7As	$759 \ 2 \ 0$	3,815 0 0	85 16 9	
8s and 8a s	$749 \ 3 \ 0$	4,310 0 0	96 19 6	
9s and 9As	623 - 1 - 0	3,550 0 0	79 17 6	
10s	297 3 0	2,495 0 0	$56 \ 2 \ 9$	
11s	323 0 0	2,725 0 0	61 6 3	
12s	391 0 0	2,355 0 0	52 19 9	
13s	535 - 0 - 0	1,000 0 0	22 10 0	

* Interest and sinking fund on building valued at £100, payable in cash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £3 18s.; total half-yearly payment, £85 11s. 6d.

† Interest and sinking fund on building valued at £100,

payable in eash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £3 18s.; total half-yearly payment, £96 9s. 9d.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements which are included in the price of the sections are as follows: Sections 1s and 1a s—Fencing and windmill, valued at £189; this windmill serves Sections 2s and 11s with water, and the right is reserved to the lessees of these two sections to continue to take the water from the windmill. Sections 2s and 2A s—Plantation and fencing, valued at £110. Sections 3s and 3A s—Fencing, valued at £103. Sections 4s Sections 48 and 4A s—Plantation and fencing, valued at £180. Sections Sections and 4A S—Frantation and fencing, valued at £130. Sections 6s and 6a s—Fencing, dip, and yards, valued at £91. Sections 7s and 7a s—Plantation and fencing, valued at £124. Sections 8s and 8a s—Fencing, valued at £35. Sections 9s and 9a s—Fencing, valued at £35. Section 10s—Fencing, valued at £103. Section 11s—Plantation and fencing, valued at £146. Section 13s—Fencing, valued at £15.

The above values include half the value of the boundary

fences of adjoining estates.

The improvements which are not included in the price of sections, and must be paid for separately, consist of: Section 1s—Cottage of four rooms, valued at £100. Section 6s—

Wool-shed, valued at £100.

The following buildings on Section 5s will be sold by auction on the completion of the ballot for removal or otherwise:—

	£	s.	α.
Old homestead residence, upset price	 20	0	0
Old stable, upset price	 7	10	-0
Harness-shed and store-room, upset price	 5	0	-0
Cob whare, upset price	 2	-0	-0
Seven old iron tanks, upset price	 14	0	0
Old shed, upset price :	 1	0	0
•	40	10	0