

Notice by the Public Trustee under the Public Trust Office Act, 1908 (Part II), and its Amendments.

To the owner of the following land, that is to say: An undivided half-share in all that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement 1 rood 16 perches, more or less, being Allotment 27, Section 2, Village of Papakura, Parish of Opakeke, in the County of Eden. Bounded on the north-east by Princes Street, 100 links; on the south-east by Lot No. 28, 350 links; on the south-west by Lot No. 34, 100 links; and on the north-west by Lot No. 26, 350 links.

The last registered owners of the land are Thomas Allibone Norman and Frank Hebden Wilson, both of Mongonui, Settlers, the former of whom cannot be traced.

WHEREAS the Public Trustee has instituted inquiries, and has been unable to find the said Thomas Allibone Norman, the owner of undivided half-share in the above-described land, or any agent of such owner in New Zealand:

Now, the Public Trustee hereby calls upon such owner, within six months of the date of the publication of this notice in this *Gazette*, to establish to the satisfaction of the Public Trustee his title to the said land; and if he fails or neglects so to do, the Public Trustee will exercise the powers and authorities granted to him in and by the Public Trust Office Act, 1908 (Part II), and its amendments.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1917.

FRED. FITCHETT,
Public Trustee.

Officiating Ministers for 1917.—Notice No. 27.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 20th August, 1917.

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:—

Salvation Army.

Ensign FREDERICK H. CAPORN.
Ensign ALFRED H. CHARKER.
Adjutant CECIL H. CRESWELL.
Captain CHARLES V. ELFORD.
Commandant CHARLES G. FITNESS.
Captain ERNEST FRIBERG.
Staff-Captain JOHN A. GILES.
Captain WALTER G. GIRLING.
Captain JOHN GRAHAM.
Captain JAMES G. W. GRINLAY.
Staff-Captain WILLIAM S. HAINES.
Major ARTHUR HAMILTON.
Captain WILLIAM J. A. HILDRETH.
Captain HAROLD R. HOLDAWAY.
Adjutant ALBERT E. HOSKINGS.
Captain FRANCIS HUSTON.
Captain ALFRED E. KEMP.
Ensign ROBERT LAMOND.
Commandant ALEX. J. MARSHALL.
Captain THOMAS MOORE.
Major WALTER P. PAGE.
Captain JAMES H. PALMER.
Adjutant JOHN H. POWICK.
Adjutant CHARLES N. RIXON.
Commandant ALBERT SCOTNEY.
Adjutant ROBERT SIMPSON.
Ensign ALFRED J. SUTER.
Captain CHARLES H. THOMAS.

Spiritual Scientists' Church.

Mr. McLEOD CRAIG.

W. W. COOK,
Registrar-General.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 73 of 1917.

DERELICT IN PACIFIC OCEAN.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 22nd August, 1917.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following reports have been received of derelicts in the Pacific Ocean:—

Position.—On 16th July, 1917, in lat. 5° 9' S. and long. 168° 24½' E. On 8th August, 1917, in lat. 24° 36' S. and long. 176° 33' E.

Description.—A large two-masted schooner which has been burnt out. Two sets of chain-plates were showing above the hull; the derelict was down by the head apparently to her

anchors, and was about one-third submerged. The stern head showed at times, and was painted white; the rest of the hull was painted with red hæmatite, and appeared to be quite fresh. There was no sign of marine growth; the rudder was missing. The hull was estimated to be 150 ft. long by about 30 ft. abeam. The derelict was drifting to the E.N.E. before a moderate wind and sea.

Note.—Probably both reports were of same derelict, which had drifted to eastward 445 miles in twenty-two days at rate of twenty miles a day.

GEORGE ALLPORT,
Secretary.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Lands in Hawke's Bay Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 21st August, 1917.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are open for sale or lease to discharged soldiers, under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and the regulations thereunder; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th October, 1917.

The lands may be purchased for cash or on deferred payments, or selected on lease for thirty-three years, with right of renewal for further successive periods of thirty-three years, and a right to acquire the freehold.

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Napier, on Thursday, the 11th October, 1917, at 10 o'clock a.m.

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

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Waipawa County.—Takapau and Motuotaria Survey District.—Marakeke Settlement.

Section.	Area.			Capital Value.		Annual Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).		Half-yearly Rent on Lease.	
	A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1s	225	0	0	3,070	0 0	153	10 0	69	1 6
2s	220	0	0	3,210	0 0	160	10 0	72	4 6
3s	192	1	0	2,800	0 0	140	0 0	63	0 0
4s	201	1	0	3,220	0 0	161	0 0	72	9 0
5s	207	0	0	3,560	0 0	178	0 0	80	2 0
6s	196	0	0	3,420	0 0	171	0 0	76	19 0
7s	242	1	0	4,400	0 0	220	0 0	99	0 0
8s	239	0	0	3,370	0 0	168	10 0	75	16 6
9s	223	2	0	3,300	0 0	165	0 0	74	5 0
10s	203	0	0	3,060	0 0	153	0 0	68	17 0
11s	215	3	0	3,190	0 0	159	10 0	71	15 6
12s	265	0	0	3,930	0 0	196	10 0	88	8 6
13s	177	0	0	2,620	0 0	131	0 0	58	19 0
14s	205	0	0	3,040	0 0	152	0 0	68	8 0
15s	210	2	0	3,110	0 0	155	10 0	69	19 6
16s	254	2	0	3,580	0 0	179	0 0	80	11 0
17s	256	0	0	3,730	0 0	186	10 0	83	18 6

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The Marakeke Settlement, formerly part of the Awanui Estate, is situated on the southern edge of the Ruataniwha Plains, about three to six miles from Takapau. The portion north of the Awanui Stream (1,950 acres) is level country, watered by the Porangahau and Maharakeke Streams, on north and east. The internal portion is not watered, but water could probably be got by sinking shallow wells.

The southern portion is more or less undulating, watered by Maharakeke Stream. In places there are indications of a hard pan under the top soil. Generally speaking the land is in native grasses, and requires renewing.

The elevation ranges from 600 ft. to 750 ft. above sea-level.

The land is well adapted for mixed farming.

SPECIAL CONDITION.

The main fence along the Maharakeke Stream has been used as a boundary by former owners of the settlement and the lessees affected on the Hatuma Settlement under mutual arrangements, and the selectors of the allotments in Marakeke Settlement traversed by this fence will require to make their