

the access is then by the unformed and unbridged Te Uri Road line running through Messrs. Donnelly and Co.'s property, but over which carting is carried on via the station dray-track. Teams are constantly travelling into the Mana-wangi Settlement with supplies from the main road, and material is of easy transport to the sections generally.

Access to the northern portion of the block is by unformed road for a distance of two to three miles from Porangahau-Waipukurau main road.

The whole block is for the most part open country, in native grass, with mingi and manuka scrub throughout.

The altitude varies from 40 ft. to 600 ft. above sea-level, but the greater portion of the land lies at an elevation of 250 ft. to 350 ft.

The soil varies, but is of fair quality, though generally light, and in places is stony; the major portion is clay, resting on papa rock.

The country is well suited for both sheep and cattle breeding.

A very considerable area in each section is ploughable.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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

*Opening Settlement Lands in Canterbury Land District for Selection by Discharged Soldiers.*

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1908, and amendments, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the settlement 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 Tuesday, the twelfth day of June, 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 provisions of the said Acts.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.—OTAIA SURVEY DISTRICT.—CRAIGMORE SETTLEMENT.

*First-class Land.*

Section.	Block.	Area.			Capital Value.	Half-yearly Rental.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	£	s.	d.
1	I	199	2	28	3,130	70	8	6
2	"	199	3	5	3,130	70	8	6
3	"	203	3	35	2,350	52	17	6
4	"	219	3	10	2,480	55	16	0
5	I, V	216	1	32	2,440	54	18	0
8	"	280	1	38	4,560	102	12	0
9	"	251	1	10	3,450	77	12	6

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements that go with the land are as follows: Section 1, 185 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £105; Section 2, 211 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £130; Section 3, 257 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £160; Section 4, 151 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £92; Section 5, 207 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £140; Section 8, 241 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £128; Section 9, 210 chains of boundary and internal fencing valued at £104.

DESCRIPTIONS OF SECTIONS.

Section 1.—About two-thirds good undulating agricultural land, balance faces and swamps. Good soil, on gravel; watered by stream. Altitude, 800 ft. to 1,000 ft. About nineteen miles from Timaru by good road.

Section 2.—About two-thirds good undulating agricultural land, balance faces and swampy flat. Good soil, on gravel; watered by stream and by a windmill and well. Altitude, 300 ft. to 1,000 ft. About twenty miles from Timaru by good road. Weighted with £60 for windmill, which may either be paid for in cash or by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £3 0s. 8d.

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Section 3.—About two-thirds good undulating agricultural land, balance faces. Fair soil, on gravel; watered by stream. Altitude, 850 ft. to 1,050 ft. About twenty miles from Timaru by good road.

Section 4.—About two-thirds good undulating agricultural land, balance faces. Fair soil, on gravel; watered by streams. Altitude, 950 ft. to 1,100 ft. About twenty-one miles from Timaru by good road.

Section 5.—About two-thirds good undulating agricultural land, balance faces. Fair soil, on gravel; watered by streams. Altitude, 1,000 ft. to 1,200 ft. About twenty-one miles from Timaru by good road.

Section 8.—About two-thirds undulating agricultural land, balance ploughable. Good soil, a considerable area on limestone, remainder on gravel; well watered by stream and springs. Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,250 ft. About twenty miles and a half from Timaru by good road.

Section 9.—About two-thirds ploughable; balance faces, generally limestone. Soil varies from fair to good, well watered by streams. Altitude, 800 ft. to 1,200 ft. About twenty-one miles from Timaru by good road.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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

*Opening Settlement Land in Canterbury Land District for Selection by Discharged Soldiers.*

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1908, and amendments, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the settlement land described in the Schedule hereto, which has been set apart for selection by discharged soldiers, shall be open for selection by discharged soldiers on renewable lease on Tuesday, the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, at the rental mentioned in the said Schedule; and I do also declare that the said land shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of the said Acts.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—WAIMATE COUNTY.—WAIHAO SURVEY DISTRICT.—KOWHATU SETTLEMENT.

*Second-class Land.*

SECTIONS 2 and 2A, Blocks XV and XVI: Area, 632 acres; capital value, £4 080; half-yearly rental, £91 16s.

Section 2.—All tussock land, rolling downs, and steep rocky faces. The soil on the downs is good loam, on clay, and two-thirds of it can be ploughed for raps or turnips; well watered by branch of Stony Creek. Altitude, 1,000 ft. to 1,570 ft.

Section 2A.—Homestead block for Section 2. Mostly rolling downs, two-thirds of which have been ploughed and laid down in English grass. Soil is good loam on clay; well watered by a branch of Stony Creek. Altitude, 800 ft. to 1,200 ft. Access by good road from Waihao Forks Railway-station, about six miles.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements that go with the land are: Section 2, 150 chains fencing, &c., valued at £18 15s.; Section 2A, 154 chains fencing, &c., valued at £25 12s. 6d.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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

*Officer for the Purposes of Part II of the Fisheries Act, 1908, appointed.*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 11th April, 1917.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section 79 of the Fisheries Act, 1908, appointed

MATHEW RICHARD HAMMOND,

of Korinite, to be an Officer for the purposes of Part II of that Act.

G. W. RUSSELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.