

2. The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance.
3. The land shall be used for grazing-purposes only, and shall not be broken up unless it is necessary to renew the grass, in which case it shall be laid down in grass and clover in a satisfactory manner with a small quantity of oats for shelter, the oats to be fed off, and not harvested. No crop of any kind shall at any time be taken off the land.
4. Residence and improvements are not compulsory. No compensation shall be claimed by the lessee, nor shall any be allowed by the Government, on account of any improvements effected by the lessee, nor on account of the aforesaid possible resumption, nor for any other cause.
5. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the land comprised in the lease without the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.
6. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbrier on the land comprised in the lease, and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, broom, sweetbrier, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.
7. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee fails to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within thirty days after the date on which the same ought to have been fulfilled.

Possession will be given on the day of sale. The present lessee has the right to remove all fences erected by him within one month from the day of sale.

Full particulars may be obtained at this office.

W. H. SKINNER,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Land in Southland Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Invercargill, 4th February, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are open for sale or lease under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and the regulations thereunder, and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 24th April, 1918.

The lands may be selected for cash or on deferred payments, or selected on lease for thirty-three years, with right of renewal for further successive terms 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, Invercargill, on Thursday, 25th April, 1918, at 10 o'clock a.m.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—  
OTERAMIKA HUNDRED.—STALKER SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Capital Value.	Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).	Half-yearly Rent on Lease.
		A. R. P.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1s	XI	73 1 1	1,510	75 10 0	{ 33 19 6 9 15 0*
2s	"	57 2 29	1,190	59 10 0	26 15 6
3s	"	18 0 1	505	25 5 0	11 7 3
4s	"	17 3 31	505	25 5 0	11 7 3
5s	"	76 3 14	2,150	107 10 0	{ 48 7 6 4 9 9†
6s	"	17 3 39	505	25 5 0	11 7 3
7s	"	17 2 23	500	25 0 0	11 5 0
8s	"	70 3 1	1,875	93 15 0	42 3 9
9s	"	76 3 25	2,040	102 0 0	45 18 0
10s	"	74 0 38	1,895	94 15 0	42 12 9

\* Interest and sinking fund on buildings, consisting of dwellinghouse, stable, byre, hut, shed, and fowlhouse, valued at £250, payable in cash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £9 15s. Total half-yearly payment on lease, £43 14s. 6d.

† Interest and sinking fund on shearing-shed, loosebox, windmill, well, pump, and concrete trough, valued at £115, payable in cash, or in twenty-one years by half-yearly instalments of £4 9s. 9d. Total half-yearly payment on lease £52 17s. 3d.

DESCRIPTION.

Stalker Settlement is situated about seventeen miles by good metalled road from Invercargill, and not more than five miles from Edendale Railway-station on the main trunk Invercargill-Dunedin Railway, and within one mile and a half of the Seaward Downs Dairy Factory, school, post-office,

store, &c. The whole of the area is under grass; about 120 acres, as shown on plan, being newly sown. The settlement consists of good agricultural and dairying land, equal to that of the well-known and successful Edendale Settlement, which it adjoins. Section 1s and 2s are watered by running streams. Sections 9s and 10s by springs, and good water can be obtained on the remaining sections by sinking about 25 ft. The settlement is practically level, and situated at an altitude of about 125 ft. above sea-level.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS.

The lessee of Section 5s will be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the windmill, pump, and trough on the section.

The lessees of Sections 7s and 8s shall, during the period of five years from the 1st day of May, 1918, have the rights to one-third share each of the water-supply from the windmill and trough situated at the south-east corner of Section 5s, subject to each lessee paying therefor to the lessee of the said Section 5s the sum of £1 per annum in advance. Any dispute in respect of such water rights to be settled by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, whose decision shall be final.

Possession will be given on the 1st May, 1918, and rent will commence from that date.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements which go with the sections are as follows:—

Section 1s.—87½ chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £27 7s.

Section 2s.—62¾ chains of boundary fencing, valued at £24 3s. 3d.

Section 3s.—19 chains of boundary fencing, valued at £7 5s.

Section 4s.—29 chains of boundary fencing, valued at £17 5s.

Section 5s.—76 chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £30 16s.

Section 6s.—15 chains of boundary fencing, valued at £10.

Section 7s.—15 chains of boundary fencing, valued at £10.

Section 8s.—66 chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £38 5s.

Section 9s.—95½ chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £53 6s. 3d.

Section 10s.—87 chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £51 5s.

The improvements, which do not go with the land but which have to be paid for by the lessees, are as follows:—

Section 1s.—Buildings, valued at £250, consisting of dwellinghouse, stable, byre, hut, shed, and fowlhouse, repayable as shown in schedule with rentals.

Section 5s.—Shearing-shed, loosebox, windmill, well, pump, and concrete trough, valued at £115, repayable as shown in Schedule with rentals.

Sale posters and full particulars may be obtained from this office.

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

*Pastoral Run in Marlborough Land District for License by Public Auction.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Blenheim, 4th March, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for license by public auction at this office at 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, 10th April, 1918, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and amendments.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—AWATERE COUNTY.

Class A.

RUN No. 121 (Kekerangu): Area, 52,000 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £200.

Situated about twenty-five miles from the Kekerangu Post-office, having access by a pack-track, four miles of which is a formed dray-road. The altitude ranges from 1,000 ft. to 9,400 ft. About a third of the run is limestone hills carrying tussock, a third is mixed land which might be termed second and third class with small patches of scrub, and the balance is high barren country; there is some good agricultural land at the Bluff which has been cultivated. The run is capable of considerable improvement. Rabbits are rather numerous in parts. The improvements which go with the run consist of three cob whares with iron roofs, situated at the Bluff, plantations and orchard, sheep yards and dip, and about eleven miles and a half of fencing, valued at £1,050.

Plans and full particulars may be obtained from this office.

H. D. McKELLAR,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.