Lot 8 of E.R. 1112.—All flat, good arable land, suitable for mixed farming, &c. Access from Rakaia, five miles by good road.

Lot 2 of E.R. 1552.—Easy downs; good soil, with clay subsoil; a little broken by gullies; suitable for root crops and oats, and especially for cocksfoot. Access from Methven,

nine miles by good road.

Lot 2 of E.R. 2000.—Flat arable land; soil ranges from Lot 2 of E.R. 2000.—Flat arable land; soil ranges from medium to light, and is somewhat stony; suitable for root crops and oats. Access from Methven, eleven miles and a half by good road.

Lot 2 of E.R., 1117.—All flat, medium to good arable land; produces good crops of wheat, oats, and roots. Access from Rakaia, ten miles and a half by good road.

ABSTRACT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. Six months' rent at the rate offered, together with rent for the broken period up to 1st July, 1918, and £2 2s. lease fee and cost of registration, must be paid on the fall of the

.2. Term of lease, fourteen years, with right of renewal for further similar terms at rentals based on fresh valuations under the provisions of the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

3. Rent payable half-yearly, in advance, on 1st days of January and July in each year.

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

5. Lessee not to transfer, sublet, or subdivide without the

consent of the Land Board

6. Lessee to keep the land free from noxious weeds, rabbits, and vermin.

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

8. Lessee not to carry on any noxious, noisome, or offensive trade upon the land.

9. Lessee not to make improvements without the consent

of the Land Board.

10. 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 the term; penalty for breach, £2 per acre.

11. Lessee not entitled to any compensation for improvements; but if the lease is not renewed upon expiration, the

new lease offered for disposal by public competition will be subject to payment by the incoming tenant of valuation for buildings and improvements effected by the original lessee with the consent of the Board; failing disposal, the land and

buildings to revert to the Crown without compensation.

12. Lease liable to forfeiture for non-payment of rent within six months after due date, or for breach of conditions.

13. Land Board may resume not more than 5 acres for school-site upon reduction of rent and compensation for crops. 14. Lessee to keep buildings insured.

15. Lessee to have no right to any minerals.

Form of lease may be perused and full particulars obtained at this office.

W. H. SKINNER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 14th January, 1918.

OTICE is hereby given that the education reserves described in the Schedule hereto will be offered for lease by public auction at the local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, at 11 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, 28th February, 1918, under the provisions of the Education Reserves Act, 1908, and amendments, and the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Waimate County.

Lot 4 of 1125, Block XVI, Otaio District: Area, 240 acres

O roods 17 perches; upset annual rent, £180.

Good undulating agricultural land, about two miles from Otaio Railway-station by good road.

Levels County.

Lot 1 of 1202, Block VIII, Otaio District: Area, 51 acres 2 roods 20 perches; upset annual rent, £43 17s. 6d. Good flat agricultural land, about seven miles from Timaru

Lot 2 of 1208, Blocks XIII and XIV, Opihi District: Area,

251 acres; upset annual rent, £182.

About 50 acres rich agricultural land, remainder fairly steep hills and good sheep-country. About eight miles from Pleasant Point Railway-station by good road.

ABSTRACT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. Six months' rent at the rate offered, together with rent for the broken period up to 1st July, 1918, and £2 2s. lease fee and cost of registration, must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

2. Term of lease, fourteen years, with right of renewal for further similar terms at rentals based on fresh valuations under the provisions of the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

3. Rent payable half-yearly, in advance, on 1st days of

January and July in each year.

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

5. Lessee not to transfer, sublet, or subdivide without the consent of the Land Board.

6. Lessee to keep the land free from noxious weeds, rabbits, and vermin.

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

8. Lessee not to carry on any noxious, noisome, or offensive trade upon the land.

9. Lessee not to make improvements without the consent of the Land Board.

10. 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 the term; penalty for breach, £2 per acre.

11. Lessee not entitled to any compensation for improve-

ments; but if the lease is not renewed upon expiration, the new lease offered for disposal by public competition will be subject to payment by the incoming tenant of valuation for buildings and improvements effected by the original lessee with the consent of the Board; failing disposal, the land and buildings to revert to the Crown without compensation.

12. Lease liable to forfeiture for non-payment of rent within six months after due date, or for breach of conditions.

13. Land Board may resume not more than 5 acres for chool-site upon reduction of rent and compensation for crops.

14. Lessee to keep buildings insured. 15. Lessee to have no right to any minerals.

Form of lease may be perused and full particulars obtained

W. H. SKINNER. Commissioner of Crown Lands

Lands in Southland Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 22nd December, 1917.

OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land
will be offered for lease by public auction, under the
Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908, and section 132 of
the Land Act, 1908, at this office on Thursday, the 14th day of February, 1918, at 11 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

SECTIONS 1 to 21, Block I, 1 to 6 and 10 to 39, Block II, 1 to 39, Block III, and 1 to 35, Block IV, Longridge Village: Area, 116 acres 1 rood 15.9 perches; upset annual rental,

Description.

Level land in native state, covered with stunted tussock. Soil poor, suitable for grazing sheep only. Situated adjacent to Kingston Crossing Railway-station. A school is situated in the village.

Abstract of Conditions of Lease.

1. Term, fourteen years.

2. Right of cultivation, but two white crops must not be taken off the land in succession; the cultivated area to be

left in grass at the end of the term.

3. No valuation will be allowed for improvements.

4. All noxious weeds to be cleared off and kept down to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands. 5. The purchaser of the lease must deposit a year's rent and £1 1s. lease fee on the fall of the hammer.

> H. D. M. HAZARD, Commissioner of Crown Lands.