

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION of RAILWAYS, ROLLING-STOCK, ETC., to 31st March, 1917, as furnished by Public Works Department and by Greymouth and Westport Harbour Boards respectively.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.			Cost of Unopened Lines.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Whangarei .. .. .	763,410	0	0	180,023	0	0
Kaihu .. .. .	99,962	0	0	17,244	0	0
Tauranga .. .. .	..	..	..	309,786	0	0
Giaborne .. .. .	597,241	0	0	246,557	0	0
North Island Main Lines and Branches .. .. .	15,421,989	0	0	973,881	0	0
South Island Main Lines and Branches .. .. .	14,541,345	0	0	155,044	0	0
Westland .. .. .	2,075,217	0	0	644,771	0	0
Westport .. .. .	602,317	0	0	95,828	0	0
Nelson .. .. .	542,406	0	0	36,988	0	0
Picton .. .. .	675,857	0	0	18,593	0	0
Lake Wakatipu Steamer Service .. .. .	43,708	0	0	..	..	..
In Suspense—						
Surveys, North Island .. .. .	..	..	..	35,900	0	0
Miscellaneous, North Island .. .. .	..	..	..	5,169	0	0
Surveys, South Island .. .. .	..	..	..	5,752	0	0
Miscellaneous, South Island .. .. .	..	..	..	5,168	0	0
P.W.D. Stock of Permanent-way .. .. .	..	..	..	77,805	0	0
W.R.D. Stock of A.O.L. Stores .. .. .	15,212	0	0	..	..	..
Totals .. .. .	£35,378,664	0	0	£2,808,509	0	0

Railways Department, 6th May, 1918.

J. MACDONALD,  
Chief Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

*Exportation of Hides and Calf-skins.*

Customs Department,  
Wellington, 7th May, 1918.

WITH reference to the Order in Council gazetted on 16th April, 1918, prohibiting the exportation of hides and calf-skins to any destination save with the consent of the Minister of Customs, it is hereby notified for general information that, for the present, applications to export these goods to British or Allied destinations will be favourably considered.

Applications must be addressed to the undersigned at Wellington, and must state—

- (a.) The number of hides or calf-skins desired to be exported, the port of shipment, the name of the exporting vessel, and the port and date of her final departure from New Zealand.
- (b.) The name and address of the ultimate consignee (if the goods are to be exported to a foreign country).

It should be understood that any permit for the exportation of hides and calf-skins to the United States is issued on the understanding that the consignee must make his own arrangements to obtain a license from the United States Government for the importation of the goods into that country.

W. B. MONTGOMERY,  
Comptroller of Customs.

**CROWN LANDS NOTICES.**

*Leases and Licenses in Southland Land District forfeited.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 6th May, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that the leases and licenses of the undermentioned lands having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Southland Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

*Section 785, Block LXIX, Hokonui Survey District, Croydon Village.*

TENURE: P.L.V. Lease No. 463; formerly held by estate of Agnes Dickson. Reason for forfeiture: Arrears of rent.

*Sections 14, 17, 21, 23, Block V, Oteramika Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 553; formerly held by Elizabeth Margdert Fisher. Reason for forfeiture: Insufficient improvements and non-residence.

*Sections 9 and 11 to 19 inclusive, Block XV, Campbelltown Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 626; formerly held by William John Marshall, the younger. Reason for forfeiture: Non-compliance with improvement condition.

*Section 59, Block IX, Campbelltown Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 700; formerly held by Arthur Welsh. Reason for forfeiture: Insufficient improvements and at licensee's request.

*Section 6, Block XVII, Waikawa Survey District.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 729; formerly held by John Milne, the younger. Reason for forfeiture: Non-compliance with improvement conditions.

*Section 98, Block I, Oteramika Hundred, Mokotua Village.*

Tenure: R.L.V.H. Lease No. 102; formerly held by Thomas Boyle. Reason for forfeiture: Non-compliance with improvement and residence conditions.

*Section 11, Block V, Aparima Hundred.*

Tenure: R.L. Lease No. 128; formerly held by Thomas Burns. Reason for forfeiture: Insufficient improvements.

*Section 144, Block II, Longwood.*

Tenure: R.L. Lease No. 61; formerly held by Gertrude Barelay. Reason for forfeiture: At request.

*Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, Block V, Oteramika Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 368; formerly held by Stanley Anthony Hodgson. Reason for forfeiture: Insufficient improvements.

*Section 76, Block V, Oteramika Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 548; formerly held by Stanley Anthony Hodgson. Reason for forfeiture: No improvements.

*Sections 42, 44, 46, and 48, Block III, Oteramika Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 501; formerly held by Pressney John Farrow. Reason for forfeiture: Arrears of rent, non-residence, and insufficient improvements.

*Section 67, Block IV, Campbelltown Hundred.*

Tenure: O.R.P. License No. 762; formerly held by John McKenzie. Reason for forfeiture: Non-residence and insufficient improvements.

D. H. GUTHRIE,  
Minister of Lands.