

in good condition. The cold wet spring, followed by an extremely dry summer, has not been to the advantage of Hawke's Bay. Taranaki is fair, whilst in southern Wairarapa crops are affected with smut.

Nelson.—Fair average crop.

Marlborough.—Generally speaking, an average crop. Heavier lands show greater promise than light owing to the long dry spell. Some crops discoloured by recent rain.

Canterbury.—Good crops. A late frost was experienced, but the damage done was slight. Rust showing in the northern districts, whilst isolated cases of the disease known as "take all" have occurred in the central and southern portions.

Otago.—Crops generally in good condition, but expected to be late. In Maniototo, Vincent, and Lake Counties crops poor and light.

Southland.—Present weather is not very favourable, and crops are fairly light.

J. W. BUTCHER,
Acting Government Statistician.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Land in the Canterbury Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 12th February, 1920.

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, Christchurch, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 29th March, 1920.

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 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, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 31st March, 1920, at 10 o'clock a.m.

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

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—PAPARUA COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.—WOODLAU SETTLEMENT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Capital Value.	Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).	Half-yearly Rent on Lease.
		A. R. P.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	XIII	41 2 18	1,940	97 0 0	43 13 0
2	XIII	55 1 2	2,540	127 0 0	57 3 0
3	XIII	68 0 39	2,800	140 0 0	63 0 0
4	XIII	63 2 7	3,180	159 0 0	71 11 0
5	XIII	47 2 9	2,280	114 0 0	51 6 0

DESCRIPTION.

Situated about half a mile from Prebbleton Railway-station and about eight miles from Christchurch.

Section 1.—All good flat agricultural land; 31 acres in stubble; remainder in English grass.

Section 2.—All good flat agricultural land; 27 acres in stubble; remainder in English grass.

Section 3.—All good flat agricultural land, somewhat light in places; all in stubble.

Section 4.—All good flat agricultural land; 23 acres in pea-stubble; remainder in English grass.

Section 5.—All good flat agricultural land in English grass. With the exception of Section 4 the settlement is not well watered.

The improvements included in the capital value of the land consist of boundary and subdivisional fencing valued as follows: Section 1, 93 chains, £36; Section 2, 96 chains, £28; Section 3, 104 chains, £39; Section 4, 103 chains, £26; Section 5, 87 chains, £26.

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

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

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SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—MALVERN COUNTY.—HAWKINS AND ROLLESTON SURVEY DISTRICTS.—MOUNTFORD SETTLEMENT.

First Class Land.

Section.	Area.	Capital Value.	Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).	Half-yearly Rent on Lease.
	A. R. P.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	411 0 37	4,510	225 10 0	101 9 6
2	354 3 15	3,890	194 10 0	87 10 6
3	353 2 5	3,650	220 0 0	82 2 6
		750*		†37 17 6
4	326 3 4	3,600	189 0 0	81 0 0
		180*		†9 1 10
5	381 3 20	3,950	197 10 0	88 17 6
6	320 2 31	3,230	161 10 0	72 13 6
7	320 0 31	3,150	157 10 0	70 17 6

* Value of buildings. † Half-yearly instalment on buildings.

NOTE.—The deferred payment instalment includes payment for buildings.

DESCRIPTION.

This settlement is situated about three miles from Kirwee Railway-station by a good road, and is all flat light agricultural land, well watered by water-races.

Section 3 is weighted with £750 for a new up-to-date house of six rooms and conveniences, and a stable, which may be paid for either in cash or by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £37 17s. 6d.

Section 4 is weighted with £180 for an old five-roomed cottage and an eight-stalled stable with loft, which may be paid for in cash or by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £9 1s. 10d. or out of advances.

The improvements included in the capital value of the land consist of boundary and subdivisional fencing valued as follows: Section 1, 395 chains, £175; Section 2, 342 chains, £141; Section 3, 386 chains, £159; Section 4, 323 chains, £113; Section 5, 314 chains, £135; Section 6, 300 chains, £114; Section 7, 297 chains, £116.

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Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in the Wellington Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1920.

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, Wellington, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Friday, the 19th March, 1920.

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 terms of thirty-three years, and a right to acquire the freehold.