

Section 2s.—410 acres open flat, scrub in places, portion swampy, carrying fair grass; some tussock. 90 acres good bush flat, all birch bush. 70 acres poor bush flat. 200 acres fairly good bush hills, shaded in winter. 222 acres poor hills in bush. Well watered by large creeks.

Sections 3s.—500 acres flat open country, scrub in places. About 200 acres are carrying fairly good feed, remainder very little feed at present. 235 acres poor hilly country in bush, all birch; fairly well watered on bottom flats by water-race; top flats are not watered at present, but a reserve has been left to branch a portion of race to these paddocks.

Section 4s.—310 acres flat open country, some manuka in places. 470 acres flat bush land of fair quality. 485 acres poor bush hills. The open land is carrying generally fairly good feed, but a portion has very little feed at present. Fairly well watered by water-race.

Section 5s.—180 acres flat open land, scrub in places. 150 acres flat and undulating bush land of good quality. The bush comprises birch, matai, kowhai, &c. Remainder bush hills, varying from very good to fair quality. Formation generally limestone. Well watered by Station Creek and numerous small streams. A very sunny section.

Sections 6s.—80 acres flat open land, carrying good grass; remainder varies from flat to undulating bush country of good quality, all sunny country; some matai and kahikatea on this section; fairly well watered by stream.

Section 7s.—80 acres very good open flat land in splendid grass, some scrub in places. 40 acres poor, open, flat land in tussock; some scrub. 100 acres fairly good bush flat. Remainder flat land of generally poor quality. Indifferently watered by stream on northern boundary.

Section 8s.—400 acres flat in fern and grass, quality fair. 80 acres hilly country in fern and grass. 100 acres flat bush and scrub land, fair quality. Remainder bush hills of varying quality. Well watered by large creek.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SETTLEMENT.

Access to the settlement is by formed road from Murchison to the Ford at the western end of the settlement, a distance of twenty miles; thence by roughly formed road through Sections 1s, 2s, 3s, and 4s to the homestead; thence by bridle-track through Section 4s to the southern boundary of the Tutaki Settlement. There is also a roughly formed road and horse-track through Sections 4s, 6s, 7s, and 8s to the southern boundary of the settlement. Taken as a whole, the settlement is suitable only for pastoral purposes, although most of the section contain land which is suitable for dairying. The altitude ranges from 1,200 ft. to 3,259 ft. above sea-level. There is generally a thick undergrowth of scrub on the sections, consisting of horopito, lawyer, five-finger, fuschia, &c. With slight improvement the present access would enable wheeled traffic to reach any of the sections. The homestead is connected with telephone.

DEAD STOCK.

There is a considerable quantity of dead stock on the settlement, consisting of machines, implements, tools, harness, and fodder, which will be available for disposal at valuation to the incoming settlers.

H. D. MCKELLAR,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Taranaki Land District for Sale or Lease to Discharged Soldiers.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 1st August, 1921.

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, New Plymouth, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 12th day of September, 1921.

The land 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 New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 14th day of September, 1921, at 10 o'clock a.m.

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

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Katikara Settlement.—Taranaki County.—Okato District.

Section.	Area.			Capital Value.	Annual Instalment on Deferred Payment (excluding Interest).	Half-yearly Rent on Lease.				
	A.	R.	P.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
1s	89	1	0	2,770	138	10	0	62	6	6
2s	106	2	0	2,880 600*	174	0	0	64	16	0
3s	131	3	0	2,920	146	0	0	65	14	0

* Buildings. † Half-yearly payment of interest and principal on buildings.

NOTE.—The deferred payment instalment on Section 2s includes payment for buildings.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements which are not included in the capital value of the land are as follows: Section 2s—house of six rooms, cow-shed, and implement and wool shed, valued at £600. Payable in cash, or in fourteen years by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £30 6s.; total half-yearly payment on lease, £95 2s.

The improvements which are included in the capital value of the land are as follows:—

Section 1s.—Fencing, 51 chains, valued at £40; and portion of building marked A at present on Section 2s, which is to be removed to Section 1s.

Section 2s.—Fencing, 107 chains, valued at £92.

Section 3s.—Fencing, 130 chains, valued at £112; and portion of building marked B at present on Section 2s, which is to be removed to Section 3s.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The Katikara Settlement is situated on the main south New Plymouth to Opunake Road, about fifteen miles from New Plymouth and one mile and a half from the Village of Okato. The land consists of flat and undulating country cut into by several watercourses (as is usual in the volcanic soil of this neighbourhood). The sections are practically all ploughable, and much of it has been ploughed in past years. The land is bounded on two sides by metalled roads, and upon a third side by a stream. A dairy factory is situated just across the road from the middle section, which includes the homestead, cow-byre and yards, &c., and a school is one mile and a half away at Okato. The climate is moist, and favourable to the growth of pasture, and the land is well watered throughout. The soil is volcanic loam, and improves westward from the main south road. The fences are with one exception sheep-proof and in fair order. The altitude varies from 150 ft. to 350 ft. above sea-level. The land having carried sheep for some years, should now be in good heart for dairying, for which purpose this land is eminently adapted.

H. J. LOWE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

In Bankruptcy.—In the Supreme Court holden at Auckland.

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES WALLACE WYLLIE, of Otahuhu, Bricklayer and Builder, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors to be holden at my office on Tuesday, the 2nd day of August, 1921, at 2.30 o'clock.

27th July, 1921.

W. S. FISHER,
Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.—In the Supreme Court holden at Auckland.

NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE ERNEST ISHERWOOD and STANLEY WILLIAMS, of 186-188 Dominion Road, Auckland, Cabinetmakers, were this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors to be holden at my office on Thursday, the 4th day of August, 1921, at 2.30 o'clock.

28th July, 1921.

W. S. FISHER,
Official Assignee.