

13. Interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum to be paid on rent in arrear.

Education reserves are included in the classes of land on which, with the approval of the Advances Board, money may be advanced by the State-guaranteed Advances Office.

The reserve is described for the general information of intending tenderers, who are recommended, nevertheless, to make a personal inspection, as the Department is not responsible for the absolute accuracy of any description.

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

R. P. GREVILLE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in Hawke's Bay Land District for License.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 7th May, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral runs are open for license for a term of thirty-five years; and applications will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 12th day of June, 1923, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.—HAWKE'S BAY COUNTY.
Kuripapanga Survey District.

PASTORAL Run No. 20; 5,532 acres; upset annual rent, £104 16s.

Altitude from 600 ft. to 3,500 ft. above sea-level. About 3,000 acres is fair country, undulating to hilly, mostly in fern, with patches of scrub. The balance is rough and poor, being high windswept tops and shingle slides facing Ngaruroro River. Practically no fencing on run. There is a one-roomed whare and holding-paddock near the centre of run. Situated about nine miles from Willowford, and forty-two miles from Napier.

Waitara Survey District.

Pastoral Run No. 24; 5,804 acres; upset annual rent, £75.

Rough and undulating country, covered with fern and scrubby manuka. A belt of about ten chains wide, which extends along the top and sides of the range on the south-east boundary, and the tops of most of the hills and spurs, are covered with native grasses. The soil is of a light pumiceous nature. Fronts Mohaka River, situated forty-seven miles from Napier and nineteen miles from Te Pohue by formed dray-road, with the exception of three miles of bridle-track.

Waitara Survey District.

Pastoral Run No. 3; 5,388 acres; upset annual rent, £33 6s.

Comprises open fern and manuka land, portions in native and self-sown English grasses; light pumiceous soil. Fronts Mohaka River. Elevation from 500 ft. to 3,000 ft. above sea-level.

Kuripapanga and Ngaruroro Survey Districts.

Pastoral Run No. 23; 18,711 acres; upset annual rent, £250.

Weighted with £500, valuation for wool-shed, which must be paid for either in cash or in twenty years by forty half-yearly instalments of £20 1s. 3d.

Other improvements consisting of old yards, two sheds, twelve miles and a quarter of fencing yards, two whares, dip and yards, plantation, and orchards are effected on the runs.

Altitude from 1,000 ft. to 3,600 ft. above sea-level. There is an area of fair country, about 5,000 acres approximately, extending north and south through the block covered with tussock, native grasses, and manuka. The balance consists chiefly of high country of poor soil, covered principally with manuka. The top of the ranges are bare, shingly, and windswept. Access is by main road (Napier to Patea), which passes through the northern portion of the block. Distance from Napier to Kuripapanga Hotel about forty-five miles.

Plans and full particulars may be obtained at this office on application.

Possession will be given immediately on approval of application.

W. F. MARSH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Milling-timber for Sale by Public Tender.—Wellington Forest Conservation Region.

State Forest Service,

Palmerston North, 9th May, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders for the purchase of the undermentioned milling-timber will close at the office of the State Forest Service, Palmerston North, at 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 27th June, 1923.

SCHEDULE.

ALL the milling-timber on that parcel of land, containing approximately 662 acres, in Provisional State Forest No. 68, being portion of Section 1A 1, Raketapauma Block, situated in Block III, Maungakaretu Survey District.

The total estimated quantity of timber in superficial feet is 9,147,500, being rimu 6,828,700, matai 1,318,500, kahikatea 441,200, totara 559,100.

Upset price, £14,500.

Ground rent, 1s. per acre per annum, payable half-yearly in advance.

The timber is situated about six miles from Tangiwaiti Railway-station.

Five years will be allowed in which to remove the timber.

Terms of Payments.—A marked cheque for one-tenth of the purchase-money, together with a half-year's ground rent and £1 1s. license fee, plus exchange, must accompany the tender, and the balance be paid by nineteen equal quarterly instalments, the first of which shall be paid three months after date of sale.

In addition, the successful tenderer shall continue to pay such ground rent half-yearly in advance during the currency of the license.

All instalment-payments shall be secured by "On demand" promissory notes made and endorsed to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of State Forests, and interest at current bank rates will be charged on all notes overdue from the date of maturity to the date of payment. The successful tenderer shall also be liable to pay any claims or charges which may be made by the local body for the maintenance of the road over which the timber is to be transported, and before a sawmill license is issued a letter indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made in this connection must be produced to the undersigned.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

1. The right to cut and remove the timber will be sold in accordance with the terms of the Forests Act, 1921-22, the regulations in force thereunder, and the following conditions.

2. Intending tenderers are expected to visit the locality and to satisfy themselves in every particular on all matters relative to the sale.

3. The aforementioned quantities, qualities, and kinds as to the said timber shall be taken as sufficiently accurate for the purposes of this sale, and no contract for the purchase shall be voidable, nor shall the successful purchaser be entitled to any abatement in price, by reason of the said timber being of less quantity, quality, or kind than as stated herein or in any advertisement having reference to the said timber.

4. The promissory notes will be presented at intervals as indicated in the terms of payment, but they may be presented for payment at earlier dates if it is found that more than a due proportion of the timber has been cut, or should any breach of the conditions occur, or if in the opinion of the Conservator the interests of the Crown are being jeopardized.

5. Each tenderer must state the total price that he is prepared to pay for each species. The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and the timber described is submitted for sale subject to the final acceptance of the tender by the Commissioner of State Forests.

6. A return, verified by affidavit, giving the number of logs cut of each species and their contents, must be made quarterly by the licensee each quarter ending on the last day of March, June, September, and December respectively in each year. A return, similarly verified, must be made on the same dates showing the output of sawn timber of each species.

7. The licensee shall not put, throw, or place, or allow to be put, thrown, or placed, into any river, stream, or watercourse, or into any place where it may be washed into any river, stream, or watercourse, any sawdust or other sawmill refuse.

8. The licensee shall take all reasonable precautions by way of providing such safeguards as may be required by the Conservator for the prevention of damage to the adjacent bush by fires caused by sparks from locomotives, log-haulers, or otherwise, and shall be liable for any damage thereto in consequence of any negligence or disregard of these conditions.