

Land in Hawke's Bay Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 3rd September, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given that the lease of the under-mentioned land having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Hawke's Bay Land Board, the said land has thereby reverted to the Crown, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT.

S.T.L.; Section 4, Block I, Moeangiangi Survey District: Area, 1,286 acres. Formerly held by Rangi Tutu. Reason for forfeiture: Non-compliance with conditions of lease.

W. NOSWORTHY, for Minister of Lands.

Flax in Auckland Land District for Sale by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 4th September, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of the Land Act, 1908, and the Flax Regulations thereunder, and the Hauraki Plains Act, 1908, that written tenders will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, 10th October, 1923, for the purchase of the present crop of flax growing on Sections 15 and 16, Block V, Waikou Survey District, Hauraki Plains County, containing 160 acres.

Approximate quantity of millable flax, 2,800 tons.
Minimum price, £700.

Time for removal of flax, two years from date of acceptance of tender.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

1. Intending tenderers are expected to visit the locality and satisfy themselves in every particular on all matters relating to their tenders.

2. No tender will be considered wherein a less price is offered than the minimum price as stated herein.

3. The successful tenderer shall use every precaution to prevent the flax from being destroyed by fire during the currency of his license, and no compensation for the destruction of any flax from any cause whatsoever on the land occupied by the licensee shall be payable by the Crown.

4. The cutting and removal of the flax will be under the supervision of the Chief Drainage Engineer or other officer duly appointed by him, and the manner and method of such cutting and removal of flax shall be as directed by him. No flax shall be cut lower than 7 in. to 8 in. above the crown of the plant, the term "crown" meaning the junction of the bulb (and all cutting shall be done in such a manner as to leave the top of the plant in pyramid form, the young leaves at centre being left uncut for future growth).

5. Any breach of the conditions of cutting will render the cutting-rights liable to forfeiture.

6. Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of 5 per cent. on the amount of tender in cash, marked cheque, or post-office order; the balance, together with £1 ls. license fee, to be paid within thirty days of acceptance of tender.

7. Only one cut over the area will be allowed during the term of the license.

8. No stock is to be grazed.

9. Any flax uncut at the end of the term is to revert to the Crown.

10. The Crown reserves the right to make drains and roads within the area at any time, and also reserves the right of access to the property at all times.

Tenders to be addressed "Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland," and envelope marked "Tender for Flax."

H. M. SKEET,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserve in Canterbury Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 3rd September, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned reserve will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, at noon on Wednesday, the 10th October, 1923, under the provisions of the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908, and amendments.

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SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—RANGIORA COUNTY.

RESERVE No. 958, Block VI, Rangiora Survey District: Area, 20 acres; upset annual rent, £5.

Term of lease, seven years.

Situated on the south bank of the Ashley River a little over a mile from Bells Railway-station by good road. All flat land, fair sandy soil with ridges of gravel, covered with patches of gorse.

ABSTRACT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The purchaser of the lease shall, immediately upon the fall of the hammer, deposit an amount equal to six months' rent at the rate offered, together with £1 ls. lease fee, and rent for broken period.

2. Possession will be given on the day of sale.

3. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may at any time resume possession of the land comprised in the lease, or any portion thereof, by giving to the lessee twelve months' notice in writing of his intention so to do.

4. The lessee shall have no right to compensation either for any improvements that may be placed upon the land or on account of the aforesaid resumption.

5. The lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, or otherwise dispose of the whole or any portion of the land comprised in the lease, except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

6. The land shall be used for grazing purposes only, and shall not be broken up or cropped without the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands first had and obtained.

7. The lessee shall destroy all rabbits on the land, and shall prevent their increase or spread to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

8. The lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbrier on the land comprised in the lease; and he shall with all reasonable despatch remove, or cause to be removed, all gorse, sweetbrier, broom, Californian thistle, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

9. The rent shall be payable half-yearly in advance, free from all deductions whatsoever.

10. The lease shall be liable to forfeiture in case the lessee shall fail to fulfil any of the conditions of the said lease within sixty days after the date on which the same ought to be fulfilled.

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

G. H. BULLARD,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run in Southland Land District open for License by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 3rd September, 1923.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned pastoral run will be offered for license by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 10.30 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, 10th October, 1923, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and its amendments.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—STEWART ISLAND COUNTY.

RUN No. 536, Anglem and Mason Survey Districts: Area, 12,900 acres; upset annual rent, £5.

Term, twenty-one years.

The run is at Stewart Island, and access is by boat about seventeen miles from Half-moon Bay. The greater part of the area is low-lying and wet, covered with rushes, scrub, &c.; generally unsuitable for grazing, but a small area about the centre of the run grows coarse red tussock and would carry a few sheep.

ABSTRACT OF CONDITIONS.

1. Term of lease, twenty-one years from 1st March, 1924.

2. Applicants must be over twenty-one years of age, excepting in the case of discharged soldier applicants.

3. One half-year's rent, £1 ls. license fee, and statutory declaration to be deposited by successful applicant.

4. No person may hold more than one run, except on the recommendation of the Land Board and with the approval of the Minister. If a purchaser holds a run, his wife is deemed to be a runholder, and *vice versa*.

5. Rent is payable half-yearly in advance on 1st March and 1st September in each year. If not paid within thirty days of due date a penalty of 10 per cent. is added.