

hundred and twenty-four, at the respective prices specified in the said Schedule, and shall be deemed to be "heavy-bush land."

2. The said lands may be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase, or on renewable lease.

3. After the first half-year's rent has been paid by the selector the further instalments of rent payable by him for a period of four years shall not be demanded; provided that if at any time during the first five years of his occupancy the selector disposes of his interest in the land the rent so conceded shall be paid by him in full, and thereupon the Land Board may remit such instalments of rent payable by the incoming tenant, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of rent previously conceded to the selector, as the Board shall think fit.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WHAKATANE COUNTY.—PART UREWERA BLOCK.

Third-class Land.

(Exempt from Rent for Four Years.)

Section.	Block.	Area.	Capital Value.	O.R.P.: Half-yearly Rent.	R.L.: Half-yearly Rent.
WAIMANA SURVEY DISTRICT.					
		A. R. P.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	VI	688 2 0	700	17 10 0	14 0 0
1	XI	3,472 0 0	3,040	76 0 0	60 16 0
2	"	2,138 0 0	2,140	53 10 0	42 16 0
3	VII	1,116 0 0	1,400	35 0 0	28 0 0
2	XV	2,617 0 0	2,300	57 10 0	46 0 0
3	"	1,079 3 0	1,080	27 0 0	21 12 0
UREWERA SURVEY DISTRICT.					
1	IV	767 2 0	780	19 10 0	15 12 0
4	"	884 0 0	880	22 0 0	17 12 0
2	VIII	1,687 2 0	1,500	37 10 0	30 0 0
4	"	725 0 0	740	18 10 0	14 16 0
1	XII	1,438 0 32	1,440	36 0 0	28 16 0
3	XVI	1,927 0 0	1,680	42 0 0	33 12 0
AHIKERERU SURVEY DISTRICT.					
1	V	1,055 0 0	1,320	33 0 0	26 8 0
1	X	1,435 0 0	1,440	36 0 0	28 16 0
2	"	1,466 1 0	1,280	32 0 0	25 12 0
1	XIII	1,633 2 0	1,300	32 10 0	26 0 0
2	"	3,132 1 0	2,340	58 10 0	46 16 0
4	"	1,301 0 0	1,620	40 10 0	32 8 0

DESCRIPTION.

The sections in the Waimana and Urewera Survey Districts, are situated in the valley of the Waimana and Tauranga Rivers and adjacent thereto, the northernmost sections being distant about three to six miles from Waimana, while the southernmost is distant about twenty-nine miles from Waimana, which lies about eighteen miles southerly from Whakatane and about twenty miles south-westerly from Opotiki.

The main road up the valley of the Waimana has been constructed nearly as far as the southernmost section, and will ultimately form a main line of communication between the Bay of Plenty and Lake Waikaremoana and thence to Wairoa and the East Coast.

The nature of the country is generally hilly and broken, with small areas of river flat and of easy undulating country. The soil is mostly of fair quality on pumice overlying clay, slate, or sandstone formation. Except where mentioned below, the sections are nearly all in heavy bush, comprising principally tawa, tawhero, rata, hinau, rimu, with some scattered totara, kahikatea, matai, and miro in parts. The undergrowth is heavy and includes raurekau, nikau, punga, supplejack, mahoe, and water-fern. The altitude ranges between 400 ft. and 1,000 ft. above sea-level at the northern end, and towards the southern end the highest parts of the sections reach an altitude of about 2,700 ft. All the sections are well supplied with water by streams.

Sections 1 of Block VI, Waimana Survey District, 688 acres 2 roods, has 140 acres of overgrown clearings in fern and rough feed.

Section 3 of Block VII, Waimana Survey District, 1,116 acres, has 100 acres of clearing in grass, fern, and second growth.

Section 3 of Block XV, Waimana Survey District, 1,079 acres 3 roods, has 20 acres of clearing in grass, fern, and second growth.

Section 4 of Block VIII, Urewera Survey District, 725 acres, has 30 acres of flat old clearing in fern.

The sections in the Ahikereru Survey District, with the exception of Section 1, Block V, which is situated in the watershed between the Whirinaki and Mangawiri Streams, are contiguously situated in the valley of the Whirinaki Stream. The motor and wagon road from Rotorua to Ruatahuna gives direct access to Section 1 of Block V, fifty-one miles from Rotorua, and passes within a mile of the contiguous sections in the Whirinaki Valley, access to these sections being provided by a junction road laid out up the Whirinaki Valley at present only roughly formed in a pack-track stage, this junction being fifty-eight miles from Rotorua. The nearest of these sections is about one mile and the furthest about six miles from the Te Waiti Post-office, and store, which is situated on the Rotorua Ruatahuna Road, fifty-five miles from Rotorua. The Rotorua to Ruatahuna Road will eventually form, when constructed, a main through road to Lake Waikaremoana.

The general nature of this country is about equally divided, one-half being open, flat, and undulating, in fern, manuka, and a little grass, the other being broken hills in mixed bush of tawa, tawhero, rimu, rata, mahoe, kotukutuku, &c., with a fair undergrowth of raurekau, karamu, supplejack, punga fern, &c. The country is all well watered by streams. The soil is generally a pumiceous loam of light quality. The altitude varies from 1,000 ft. to 2,700 ft. above sea-level.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 1st day of March, 1924.

D. H. GUTHRIE, Minister of Lands.

Opening Lands in the North Auckland Land District for Sale or Selection.

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, having received the report of the Under-Secretary in this behalf, as provided by section one hundred and fifty-four of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Monday, the twelfth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase, or on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

NORTH AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Mangonui County.—Maungataniwha Survey District.

SECTION 2, Block IX: Area, 178 acres 1 rood 30 perches. Capital value, £335. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £8 7s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £6 14s.

Weighted with £112, valuation for milling-timber. Easy undulating land, in heavy bush, comprising 150,000 ft. of milling-timber, valued at £112. The soil is of good quality clay resting on sandstone formation. Well watered by permanent streams. Access is from Victoria Valley, which is about three miles distant by good road.

Waitemata County.—Paremoremo Parish.

Section 179; Area, 34 acres 1 rood 24 perches. Capital value, £310. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £7 15s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £6 4s.

The elevation ranges from 30 ft. to 100 ft. above sea-level. The section comprises undulating to steep country in fern and scrub. All more or less ploughable. Soil is of clay resting on sandstone formation. Well watered by Lucas Creek. Situated on the road from Albany to Brown's Bay. Access is from Albany, which is about one mile and a half distant by a formed road of which about one mile is metalled. Albany has a daily bus service to Birkenhead and a good launch service to Auckland.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Waitemata County.—Paremoremo Survey District.

Section 244: Area, 22 acres 0 roods 30 perches. Capital value, £80. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £2. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £1 12s.

Weighted with £3 10s., valuation for improvements, consisting of 7 chains fencing.