

General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Thursday, the eleventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, as the time at which the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the price at which the said land shall be sold as that mentioned in the said Schedule hereto.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### GISBORNE LAND DISTRICT.—THIRD-CLASS LAND.

###### *Opotiki County.—Wairoka Survey District.*

SECTION 2, Block VII: Area, 195 acres 2 roods; upset price, £140.

Weighted with £370, valuation for improvements, which comprise felling 70 acres and grassing 50 acres, fencing approximately 100 chains, and a good wool-shed.

Situated on the Opotiki-Matawai Road, access being from the former town, which is about thirteen miles distant. Approximately 70 acres has been felled and grassed, and of this area about 50 acres now in grass. Some 25 to 30 acres on frontage is flat: the balance comprises a few easy ridges running up to steep country: well watered: and the general quality is from fair to good.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 23rd day of January, 1926.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

##### *Opening Lands in the Gisborne Land District for Sale or Selection.*

##### CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1924, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, 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 seventy-six of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Wednesday, the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, 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, 1924.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### GISBORNE LAND DISTRICT.

##### SECOND-CLASS LAND.

###### *Wairoa County.—Waiou Survey District.*

SECTIONS 2 and 3, Block XVIII: Area, 1,910 acres. Capital value, £6,000. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £150. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £120.

Weighted with £200, valuation of cottage of two rooms, repayable in fifteen years by thirty half-yearly instalments of £9 12s. 8d.

*Improvements.*—The improvements included in the capital value comprise fencing, scrub-cutting, and grassing, valued at £1,060.

Sections are situated about thirty miles from the Port of Wairoa, practically the whole of the road being formed. The soil is chiefly pumiceous sand on papa formation and suitable for pastoral purposes only. Country lies well to the sun and has a good rainfall, and is well watered by permanent streams. Practically all fairly easy country, carrying a fair amount of grass, but has patches of fern and scrub.

##### THIRD-CLASS LAND.

###### *Opotiki County.—Wairoka Survey District.*

Section 4, Block VIII: Area, 1,128 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £290. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £7 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5 16s.

Weighted with £200, valuation for improvements, comprising 200 acres felled and grassed but not overgrown, and whare.

Situated on Tutaeoko Stream, the access being from Opotiki, which is about eighteen miles distant; about ten miles by full-width dray-road and the balance mainly along river-bed. About 200 acres has been felled and grassed, but is now a good deal overgrown with fern and scrub. Section is fairly easy in places along Tutaeoko Stream, but is mainly steep and has slipped considerably. Well watered by streams.

Section 2, Block VIII: Area, 1,325 acres. Capital value, £340. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £8 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £6 16s.

Weighted with £162, valuation for improvements, comprising 150 acres felled and grassed and small whare.

Situated on Tutaeoko Stream, the access being from Opotiki which is about fifteen miles distant; about ten miles by full-width dray-road and balance mainly along river-bed. About 250 acres have been felled and grassed, but is now practically all overgrown with scrub and fern. The formation is steep and rough, rising up sharply from the river; well watered by streams, and the general quality of it is very poor.

Section 9, Block XV: Area, 1,419 acres. Capital value, £1,100. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £27 10s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £22.

Weighted with £150, valuation for buildings, comprising two-roomed whare with veranda and bathroom and storeroom, repayable in twenty years by forty half-yearly instalments of £6 0s. 5d.

Situated on the Wairata Stream, the access being by the Matawai-Opotiki Road, and consists of easy to steep country. Some 100 acres has been recently felled and grassed, and the remainder, excepting about 300 acres of steep birch country, could be felled; general quality of which is fair: is well watered by streams. Present carrying-capacity about 150 dry sheep.

*Improvements.*—The improvements included in the capital value comprise felling and grassing of 100 acres and 160 chains fencing.

###### *Opotiki County.—Opotiki and Waiawa Survey Districts.*

Section 8, Block XII, and 8, Block XIII: Area, 646 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £250. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £6 5s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £5.

Weighted with £730, valuation for improvements, comprising felling and grassing, dip, yards, dwelling of five rooms, outbuildings, and dairy. This amount may be paid in cash, or arrangements made with the State Advances Office to allow it to remain on mortgage.

Situated on Otara Stream, the access being by metalled road from Opotiki, which is about ten miles distant. About 530 acres have been felled and grassed, but a considerable portion is now overgrown chiefly with bracken fern. Sections lie well, the formation being easy to steep, the greater part being workable and are well watered by streams. Present carrying-capacity about 300 sheep and some cattle.

###### *Opotiki County.—Waimana Survey District.*

Section 1, Block VIII: Area, 666 acres. Capital value, £600. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £15. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £12.

Section is part of the Tahora 2A No. 2 Block, and is situated about twenty-four miles from Opotiki, the access to within a few miles being by the Waimana Settlement Road, which is formed and metalled. Comprises bush and fern land and lies well, the formation being easy to steep and both sheep and cattle can be grazed. Well watered by permanent streams.

Section 2, Block VIII: Area, 1,000 acres. Capital value, £875. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £21 17s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £17 10s.

Section is part of Tahora 2A No. 2 Block, and is situated about twenty-four miles from Opotiki, the access to within a few miles being by the Waimana Settlement Road, which is formed and metalled. Section comprises bush and fern land and lies well, the formation being from easy to steep, and both sheep and cattle can be grazed. Well watered by permanent streams.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 23rd day of January, 1926.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

##### *Postmasters appointed to take and receive Statutory Declarations.*

PURSUANT to the authority conferred upon me by the two-hundred-and-eighty-eighth section of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1908, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby notify and declare that the persons set out in the Schedule hereto, being persons holding the office of Postmaster under the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908, at the places set opposite their names in the said Schedule, are authorized to take and receive statutory declarations under the two-hundred-and-eighty-eighth section of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1908.