Lands in Taranaki Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 10th June, 1927.

OTICE is hereby given that the leases and licenses of the undermentioned lands having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Taranaki Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the Land Act, 1924, and amendments.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Tenure.	Section.	Block.	ock. Survey District.			Lessee or Licensee.		Reason for Forfeiture.
I.F.S. 307	21	x	Totoro	••		C. Knight		Non-compliance with conditions of lease.
L.P. 742 O.R.P. 785	$\frac{2}{1}$	III "	Waro Mapara			A. McLarin M. and J. Jackson	••	Ditto. Non-compliance with conditions
O.R.P. 659	7	,,	Upper Waitara	••	•••	F. A. Lichtwark	••	of license. Ditto.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

Lands in Southland Land District open for Selection on Renewable Lease.

> District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 14th June, 1927.

N OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are open for selection on renewable lease under the provisions of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, and the Land Act, 1924, and applications will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, 19th July, 1927.

Applicants must appear personally for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on Thursday, 21st July, 1927, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.; but if any applicant so desires, he may be examined by the Land Board of any other district.

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

Preference at the ballot will be given to landless applicants who have one or more children dependent on them. to landless applicants who within two years immediately preceding the date of the ballot have applied for land at least twice unsuc-cessfully, to applicants who have served beyond New Zealand cessfully, to applicants who have served beyond New Zealand as members of the Expeditionary Force, and to persons engaged on military service beyond New Zealand in connection with the late war, if such persons immediately prior to the war were bona fide residents of New Zealand, and to persons who, while domiciled in New Zealand, have served beyond New Zealand as members of any of His Majesty's Express in connection with any way other than the way with Forces in connection with any war other than the war with Germany.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SETTLEMENT LAND.

THIRD-CLASS LAND.

Southland County.—Hokonui Survey District.—Ardlussa Settlement.

Section 4, Block VII: Area, 1,586 acres 1 rood 16 perches. Capital value, £4,218. Half-yearly rent, £105 9s.

The valuation for improvements, not included in the capital value, but which have to be paid for separately, consist of dwelling-house, stable, shed, hut, and fencing, valued at £555; of this amount £265 is repayable in fourteen years by twentyeight half-yearly instalments of £13 7s. 8d., and the balance, £290, is to be paid in cash.

Situated about six miles from Balfour and three miles from Ardlussa School by good metalled road. About 100 acres are good flat land, balance undulating to hilly. Cultivated on the lower portions, but the greater part is still in the natural state, carrying tussock, fern, and manuka scrub.

Sections 5 and 6, Block IV: Area, 398 acres 0 roods 5 perches. Capital value, £3,015. Half-yearly rent, £75 7s. 6d.

Weighted with £625 valuation for cottage, outbuildings, and 120 chains internal fencing. £30 of this amount must be paid in cash, and the balance of £595 may be allowed to remain on Advances to Settlers mortgage at 6½ per cent.

The improvements included in the capital value consist of 451 chains of original boundary and subdivisional fencing,

451 chains of original boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £181 16s. 6d.

Situated about seven miles from Balfour Railway-station and four miles from Ardlussa School by metalled road. About half the total area is good heavy flat land, and has been cultivated. The remainder is hilly and undulating, still in the natural state, and carrying tussock, fern, and manuka scrub. Well watered.

ABSTRACT OF CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

- 1. Term of lease, thirty-three years, with a perpetual right of renewal for further successive terms of thirty-three years; and a right to acquire the freehold.
- 2. Rent payable in advance on 1st January and 1st July in each year.
- 3. Applicants to be twenty-one years of age and upwards.
- 4. Applicants to furnish with application statutory declaration, and, on being declared successful, deposit £1 ls. lease fee and a half-year's rent. Rent for the broken period between date of lease and 1st January or 1st July following is
- also payable.
 5. Successful applicants to execute lease within thirty days after being notified that it is ready for signature.
- 6. Lessee to reside continuously on the land, and pay all rates, taxes, and assessments.
- 7. Improvements: Lessee is required to improve the land within one year to the value of 10 per cent. of the price; within two years, to the value of another 10 per cent. of the price; and thereafter, but within six years, to the value of another 10 per cent. of the another 10 per cent. of the price. In addition to the foregoing, and within six years, improvements are also to be effected to the value of £1 for every acre of first-class land, 10s. for every acre of second-class land, and 2s. 6d. for every acre of third-class land.
- 8. Transfer not allowed until expiration of fifth year of lease, except under extraordinary circumstances, and then only with permission.

 9. Roads may be taken through the lands at any time
- within seven years; twice the original value to be allowed for area taken for such roads.

 10. Lease is liable to forfeiture if conditions are violated.

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

N. C. KENSINGTON,

Commissioner of Crown Lands,