

*Opening Lands in Taranaki Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power; and authorities conferred on me by the Land Act, 1924, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, at the rentals mentioned in the said Schedule; and I do also declare that the said lands shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

*Whangamomona County.—Ngatimaru Survey District.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Two Years.)

SECTION 21, Block XV: Area, 200 acres. Capital value, £200. Half-yearly rent, £4.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of two years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £20 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £300, valuation for improvements comprising 4-roomed dwelling, 150 chains of fencing, and approximately 160 acres felling and grassing. This amount is payable in cash or may be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Superintendent.

Situated on the Tututawa Road, about ten miles from the Douglas Railway-station and about four miles from the Tututawa Post-office and Dairy Factory. Soil is of fair quality, and the country for the greater part easy.

*Whangamomona County.—Waro Survey District.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Four Years.)

Section 9, Block XIII: Area, 1,200 acres. Capital value, £600. Half-yearly rent, £12.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of four years, providing improvements of a permanent character to the value of £60 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Situated on the Rerekapa Road, about eleven miles from the Tahora Railway-station. Soil is of fair quality resting on sandstone formation. About 100 acres has been felled and grassed; but this has now reverted to second growth. Section is well watered by permanent streams.

*Ohura County.—Aria Survey District.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Ten Years.)

Section 8, Block VI: Area, 484 acres. Capital value, £240. Half-yearly rent, £4 16s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of ten years, providing improvements of a permanent character to the value of £30 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £15, valuation for a whare, which sum is payable in cash immediately an applicant is declared successful.

Situated on the Waitewhena Road. Access is from Ohura Railway-station, which is about fifteen miles distant. About 150 acres has been felled and grassed; but this has now deteriorated to fern and second growth. Balance area is in bush, comprising chiefly rewarewa, tawhero, and light rimu. Soil is of fair quality. Well watered by permanent streams.

*Whangamomona County.—Mahoe Survey District.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Five Years.)

Sub. 2 of Section 6, Block XI: Area, 520 acres 1 rood 33 perches. Capital value, £260. Half-yearly rent, £5 4s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £50 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Situated on the Round Hill Road, about twelve miles from Whangamomona Railway-station. About 100 acres of good flat easy country along the eastern boundary; balance area is rather steep and broken. Soil is of fair to good loam quality on sandstone and papa formation. Well watered by permanent springs. About 20 acres was originally felled and grassed, but this has now reverted to second growth. Balance area is in bush, comprising rimu, rata, totara, with a thick undergrowth of konini, mahoe, wineberry, &c.

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Four Years.)

Section 7 and Subs. 1 and 2 of Section 8, Block V: Area, 1,542 acres. Capital value, £500. Half-yearly rent, £10.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of four years, providing substantial improvements to the value of £50 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £650, valuation for improvements comprising dwelling, woolshed, about 70 chains fencing, and approximately 690 acres of felling and grassing. This amount is either payable in cash or may be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Superintendent.

Situated on the Whangamomona Road, about five miles from Whangamomona School and Railway-station. About 250 acres is in worn-out pastures, balance is in bush and second growth. Soil is of a light nature on sandstone formation. Well watered by streams.

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Four Years.)

Section 1, Block XIV: Area, 486 acres. Capital value, £245. Half-yearly rent, £4 18s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of four years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £25 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £100, valuation for improvements comprising about 230 acres felling and grassing, whare, and 20 chains of fencing. This amount is payable in cash or may be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Department.

Situated on the Kohi Road, about fifteen miles from Whangamomona Railway-station. About eleven miles of access road has been metalled. Approximately 230 acres has been felled and grassed, but this has now deteriorated to second growth. Soil is of a light loam quality resting on papa and sandstone formation. Well watered by running streams.

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Five Years.)

Section 6, Block XIV: Area, 963 acres. Capital value, £480. Half-yearly rent, £9 12s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, provided substantial improvements to the value of £50 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Section is situated on the Kohi Road, about thirteen miles distant from Whangamomona Township by good metalled road. Comprises steep and broken country of sandstone formation. Well watered by streams. Approximately 60 acres were originally felled and grassed, but this has now deteriorated to second growth. Balance is in dense bush comprising tawa, rimu, and a few totara, with a thick undergrowth. Elevation, 400 ft. to 1,460 ft. above sea-level.

Section 2, Block XV: Area, 1,030 acres. Capital value, £670. Half-yearly rent, £13 8s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £67 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Situated at the junction of the Whangamomona and Kurapeti Roads. Access is from Whangamomona Railway-station, about fifteen miles distant. It comprises flat to broken country of good quality soil on papa formation. About 50 acres was originally felled and grassed, but this has now deteriorated to second growth. Balance is in dense bush comprising generally rimu, rata, tawa, tawhero, and a few totara and birch on the ridges. Well watered. Altitude, 310 ft. to 1,490 ft.

*Stratford County.—Mahoe Survey District.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Five Years.)

Sections 11 and 12, Block XIII: Area, 400 acres. Capital value, £200. Half-yearly rent, £4.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £40 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £450, valuation for improvements comprising approximately 300 acres felling and grassing, dwelling, shed, and 70 chains of fencing. This amount is to be paid in cash or in fourteen years by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £22 14s. 6d.

Situated on the Puniwhakau Road, about twenty-two miles from Douglas Railway-station. About 100 acres is in bush, balance has been felled and grassed, but this has now deteriorated to second growth. The soil is of a light loam quality resting on sandstone formation. Well watered by permanent streams. Altitude, 800 ft. to 1,300 ft.

*Stratford County.—Taurakawa and Mahoe Survey Districts.*

(Exempt from Payment of Rent for Five Years.)

Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block II, Taurakawa Survey District, and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Block XIV, Mahoe Survey District: Area, 1,597 acres. Capital value, £1,140. Half-yearly rent, £22 16s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, providing permanent improvements to the value of £114 are effected annually during the exemption period.