

cottage and porch, in good condition, and a small shearing-shed of corrugated iron, and sheep-yards. The section is ring-fenced except where naturally stock proof with river and creek banks. Would carry about four hundred wet sheep and two hundred dry sheep, and about fifty cattle when the land has been cleared up and put in good condition. Considerable amount of blackberry.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 10th day of October, 1927.

O. HAWKEN, for Minister of Lands.

Opening Lands in the Auckland 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 Monday, the twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash or on deferred payments, or be selected on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased as those 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.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Otorohanga County.—Orahiri Survey District.

SECTION 6B, Block II: Area, 662 acres. Capital value, £500. Deposit on deferred payments, £20. Half-yearly instalment, £15 12s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £10.

Subject to a State Advances mortgage for £482, repayable in cash or by instalment mortgage.

Situated twelve miles from Otorohanga Railway-station, three miles from Honikiwi School, and two miles and a half from Honikiwi Post-office. Cream cart passes within two miles and a half of property. About 526 acres bush land felled and grassed, but now reverted to second growth; the remainder being in bush. The section is fairly well watered by running streams.

The improvements on the property consist of dwelling and out-buildings, woolshed (33 ft. by 20 ft.), cowshed, and approximately 300 chains of fencing; valued at £647 10s.

Of this amount £165 10s. is included in the capital value, the balance of £482 being payable under the State Advances mortgage.

Kawhia County.—Kawhia North Survey District.

Sections 5 and 9, Block VIII: Area, 168 acres 0 roods 23 perches. Capital value, £170. Deposit on deferred payments, £10. Half-yearly instalment, £5 4s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 8s.

Situated on the Okupata Road, about three miles and a half from Oparau Landing, where there is a school, post-office, and dairy-factory. Undulating to broken country, covered in scrub and fern with the exception of a little heavy bush on Section 9. The soil is of a poor quality, and the land is ploughable only in patches. Well watered.

Otorohanga County.—Mangorongo Survey District.

Section 5, Block VII: Area, 188 acres 1 rood 12 perches. Capital value, £450. Deposit on deferred payments, £20. Half-yearly instalment, £13 19s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £9.

Weighted with £100, valuation for buildings comprising dwelling of two rooms and lean-to, cowshed, and old store shed (all in disrepair); repayable in cash or in eight years by sixteen half-yearly instalments of £7 14s. 9d.

Situated thirteen miles from Otorohanga Railway-station and Dairy-factory (cream cart collects), a quarter mile from Maihihi School, and one mile from Maihihi Post-office. About 100 acres has been grassed, but has now reverted to second growth. Watered by running streams. Ragwort is prevalent.

The improvements, included in the capital value, comprise 153 chains of internal fencing and 85 chains boundary fencing (netted); valued at £170.

THIRD-CLASS LAND.

Waitomo County.—Orahiri Survey District.

Section 7, Block IX: Area, 572 acres. Capital value, £340. Deposit on deferred payments, £15. Half-yearly instalment, £10 11s. 3d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £6 16s.

Weighted with £883, part valuation for improvements.

Situated seventeen miles from Hangatiki Railway-station, eleven miles from Waitomo Caves School and Post-office and twenty-four miles from Otorohanga Dairy-factory, by metalled road. About 300 acres felled and grassed, mostly gone back to fern and second growth; balance in light to heavy bush, comprising rimu, tawa, tawhero, and rata, with a light to thick undergrowth of supplejack, black vine, mahoe, and konini. About 100 acres of the section is of limestone formation, the balance being light soil on a sandstone formation. Well watered by running streams.

The improvements, partly included in the capital value and partly to be paid for separately, comprise house of three rooms and pantry, woolshed, 300 acres felling, 100 acres grassing, 10 acres stumping, 1 acre orchard and 286 chains of fencing: Total value £933, of which £50 is included in the capital value; balance of £883 to be secured to the Public Trustee by deed of covenant, payable in five years with interest at 6 per cent., payable half-yearly.

Waitomo County.—Kawhia South Survey District.

Section 5, Block XVI: Area, 1,206 acres 1 rood 27 perches. Capital value, £610. Deposit on deferred payments, £30. Half-yearly instalment, £18 17s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £12 4s.

Weighted with £1,992, valuation for improvements comprising dwelling of four rooms (bathroom, pantry), and wash-house; shed, about 670 chains of 7-wire fence, and clearing and grassing. Repayable in cash, or to an approved purchaser arrangements could be made for a substantial amount to remain on mortgage with interest at 5 per cent.

Situated fifteen miles from Hangatiki Railway-station and ten miles and a half from Waitomo Caves School, Post-office, and store. Cream cart passes property. Approximately 700 acres bush land, felled and grassed, of which about half has now reverted to second growth. The section is well watered by running streams, and is free from noxious weeds. Suitable for grazing.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 7th day of October, 1927.

O. HAWKEN, for Minister of Lands.

Opening Land in Auckland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers 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 land described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, at the rental mentioned in the said Schedule; and I do also declare that the said land shall be leased under and subject to the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.—
NATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

Whakatane County.—Rotoma Survey District.

SECTION 6, Block VII: Area, 339 acres 1 rood. Capital value, £340. Half-yearly rent, £6 16s.

Weighted with £310, valuation of improvements comprising 350 chains fencing (in poor condition), two-roomed house, and implement-shed, to be secured by instalment mortgage over a term of twenty years. Half-yearly payment of principal and interest combined, £12 17s. 7d.

Grazing property, situated about sixteen miles from Pikowai Railway-station and four miles from Pikowai South School. About 230 acres bush land, felled and grassed, but now gone back to second growth, fern, and weeds. Balance standing bush. Ragwort and foxglove are spreading. Well watered by springs and creek. Subdivided into three paddocks.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 7th day of October, 1927.

O. HAWKEN, for Minister of Lands.