

report of the proceedings of the Board for the previous year ending on the 31st day of March, together with a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board for such year. A copy of every such report and statement, certified by the Chairman to be correct, shall be sent to the Minister of Lands as soon as possible after each annual meeting.

#### SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 33.6 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 4112, situated in the Township of Hawarden, Block VII, Waipara Survey District, and bounded as follows: Towards the north by Lot 7 on deposited plan No. 7103, 272 links; towards the east by Lot 9 on said deposited plan, 83.49 links; towards the south by a right-of-way 1 chain wide, 232.45 links; and again towards the south-west by the Horsley Downs—Waikari Road, 92.4 links. As the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 22/3637, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating holding of Election to fill Extraordinary Vacancy on Onehunga Borough Council.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

#### ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 24th day of April, 1928.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS pursuant to section forty-two of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), an election to fill an extraordinary vacancy of a councillor for the Borough of Onehunga should have been held on the tenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight:

And whereas such election was not held at the prescribed time, but was held instead on the twelfth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight:

And whereas it is expedient to validate the holding of such election after the time required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by section seventy-one of the said Act, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby validate the aforesaid election in so far as such election was not held on the day fixed by the said Act, and doth hereby declare that the proceedings in connection with the holding of such election shall not be called in question by reason only of the irregularity aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(I.A. 19/55/28.)

*Declaring Land in the Auckland Land District to be subject to the Land for Settlements Act, 1925.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by section one hundred and five of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the area of Crown land described in the Schedule hereto shall be subject to the provisions of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, and shall hereafter form part of the Te Miro Settlement.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 74 acres 1 rood 23 perches, more or less, being portion of Karokaro B Block. Bounded towards the north by Tahuroa Block, 1074, 565.6, and 131.1 links; towards the east by Lot 1 of Section 28s and Section 33s, Te Miro Settlement, 1407.3, 1574.4, 1615.6, 161.6, and 148.1 links; towards the west generally by other part Karokaro B Block, 906.4, 384.6, 2215.3, and 1626.9 links: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less. As the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 26/15495, deposited in the Head Office, Lands and Survey Department, at Wellington, and thereon edged red.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 26th day of April, 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

*Opening Settlement Lands in Otago Land District for Selection.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1924, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the settlement lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Monday, the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, 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 Acts.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—SETTLEMENT LAND.

*Tairi County.—Otokia Survey District.—Duncan Settlement*

SECTION 1A: Area, 105 acres 0 roods 35 perches. Capital value, £105. Half-yearly rent, £2 12s. 6d.

Weighted with £8, valuation for improvements consisting of 20 chains of fencing, to be paid for in cash.

Improvements, included in the capital value, consist of 37 chains of sod wall, 7 chains post-and-wire fence and one gate on district road, half-value 44 chains gorse hedge on south-east boundary, and half-value 16 chains sod wall and post-and-wire fence on north-west boundary. Total value, £13 7s.

Mixed agricultural and pastoral land. Soil of fair quality. Altitude, 150 ft. Distant one mile from Brighton Post-office and school, and fourteen miles from Dunedin. Gorse fences need attention. Section watered by stream; fairly broken by a deep gully.

*Clutha County.—Pomahaka Survey District.—Pomahaka Settlement.*

Section 4, Block XIV: Area, 316 acres 1 rood. Capital value, £1,054 10s. Half-yearly rental, £26 7s. 3d.

Improvements, not included in the capital value, but which must be paid for in cash, comprise two-roomed hut with brick chimney, Shacklock range, £40; open shed, £10; 47 chains fencing, south boundary, half-value, £4 14s.; 48 chains fencing, east boundary, half-value, £8 8s.; 20 chains east roadline boundary, full-value, £4 4s.; 122 chains internal fencing, £18 6s.: total, £85 12s.

Open undulating land, terminating in abrupt spurs towards the Pomahaka River, to which this section has a frontage of 67 chains. With the exception of about 50 acres the section is all ploughable. Deep black soil on a sandy clay subsoil. Part of the area requires draining. Fairly well watered, but permanent water might be got even in the driest seasons by opening up several springs. General aspect north-easterly. Distant from Clinton thirteen miles and a half.

*Manuherikia Irrigation Settlement.*

##### FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Section 4s: Area 42 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £70. Annual rental, £3 10s.

The Manuherikia Settlement is situated in Blocks I, VII, VIII, and IX, Leaning Rock Survey District, from one mile and three-quarters to two miles and a half from Alexandra Railway-station, and one mile and three-quarters to two miles from Clyde Railway-station, on the Otago Central Railway, which passes through part of the settlement. Access is obtainable from the Clyde-Omakau, Clyde-Alexandra, and Alexandra-Omakau main roads. The nearest schools and stores are situated at Alexandra and Clyde. The land is practically all easy undulating country and flat terraces, the soil varying from a light schisty loam to sand, resting on gravel formation; while irrigation water is available from the races constructed by the Public Works Department, at the usual rates.

Improvements.—The following improvements are included in the capital value of the section: 53½ chains south road boundary at 20s. per chain, £53 10s.

##### Special Conditions.

(1) The right is reserved to the Crown at any time and from time to time, without being deemed to commit a trespass and without payment of compensation, to enter upon the said land and thereon to take, lay, construct, maintain, inspect, repair, or reconstruct water-races, drains, and all other works which the Minister of Public Works deems necessary for the supply of water to the said land or to any other land.

(2) The lessee will be required to take water from races provided for irrigation purposes, at a price to be fixed by the Crown.

(3) The Crown will not be liable for any damage caused by any overflow or break-away of any race or channel.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 24th day of April, 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.