on renewable lease on Friday, the twenty-seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, 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.—NATIONAL ENDOWMENT,-THIRD-CLASS LAND.

Whakatane County .- Waihi South Survey District.

Section 5, Block XII: Area, 1,299 acres 0 roods 12 perches. Capital value, £395. Half-yearly rent, £7 18s. Weighted with £497, valuation for improvements comprising

445 chains feneing, four-roomed dwelling and lean-to, and about 20 acres grassing; to be paid in cash.

Grazing property, situated about twenty-three miles from Te Puke, eight miles from Matata Railway-station, and six miles from Matata Post-office and school. About 20 acres worn-out pasture; balance in manuka, fern, and wineberry. The section comprises easy to steep hilly country, the soil generally being of a fair quality except on the western portion, which is inferior clay land, rather broken. Watered by permanent springs and creeks.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 30th day of May, 1928.

W. NOSWORTHY, for Minister of Lands.

Opening Settlement Lands in North Auckland Land District for Selection.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities 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 Thursday, the twelfth day of July, 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. visions of the said Acts.

SCHEDULE.

NORTH AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SETTLEMENT LAND.-SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Otamatea County.—Matakohe Survey District.—Bickerstaffe Settlement.

SECTION 1, Block XV: Area, 335 acres 2 roods. Capital

value, £2,400. Half-yearly rent, £60.
Weighted with £385, valuation for buildings consisting of six-roomed kauri house, wash-house, cowshed, engine-room, two sheds, concrete cistern (7,000 gals.), in state of disrepair; to be paid for in cash or in twenty years by forty half-yearly instalments of £15 9s. Total half-yearly payment on lease, £75 9s.

Section 3, Block XV: Area, 402 acres. Capital value, £2,415. Half-yearly rent, £60 7s. 6d.
Weighted with £490, valuation for improvements consisting

of house and 74 chains of fencing, payable in cash.
Sections are situated four miles from Huarau Railwaystation, two miles and a half from Marohemo School, and ten

station, two miles and a half from Marohemo School, and ten miles from Maungaturoto Dairy Factory.

Section 1: About 150 acres good clean pasture (mostly rattail and paspalum), 130 acres very bad with gorse; balance tea-tree, with a little grass. Poorly watered by several swampy gullies. Divided into about ten paddocks, 150 chains subdivisional fencing and 115 chains boundary-fencing, mostly non-order. mostly poor order.

mostly poor order.

Section 3: About 120 acres good clean pasture (mostly rattail), 50 acres poor tea-tree land, 10 acres cabbage trees and manuka, 50 acres solid gorse; balance little grass, bad with gorse. Divided into five paddocks. Included in capital value: 261 chains of fencing, valued at £106 10s. Weighted for improvements consisting of 74 chains of fencing, six-roomed dwelling (built of first-class kauri), store-room, wash-house, shearing-shed, and cowshed. Dwelling fitted with several conveniences. Would be worth much more if land not so deteriorated. Sections suitable for grazing. deteriorated. Sections suitable for grazing.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 1st day of June, 1928

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

Opening Settlement Lands in Auckland Land District for Selection.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

I N 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 Friday, the twenty-seventh day of July, 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

SCHEDULE.

Auckland Land District.—Settlement Land.— SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Waikato County.—Te Miro Settlement,

Lor 1 of Section 69s: Area, 287 acres 2 roods 30 perches. Capital value, £430. Half-yearly rent, £10 15s.
Grazing property situated about one and a half miles from Te Miro Post-office and school and eight miles from Hautapu Railway-station. About 100 acres in worn-out pasture, the balance being fern land, mostly unploughable. Watered

by springs.

The improvements, which are included in the capital value, comprise old whare, half-share in 165 chains boundary-fence, and grassing, valued at £145.

Section 10s: Area, 225 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £450. Half-yearly rent, £11 5s.
Situated about six miles from Cambridge Railway-station, three miles from Te Miro School, and nine miles from Hautapu

Dairy Factory.

About 12 acres have been ploughed and grassed (now run out), 150 acres have been felled, stumped, and grassed, but have now reverted to fern and rough feed, and the balance is in standing bush. The section is poorly watered, while blackberry and ragwort are spreading.

The improvements, which are included in the capital value, comprise two-roomed and one-roomed whares, cowshed, 175 chains fencing, felling, ploughing, stumping, and grassing; valued at £230.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 30th day of May, 1928.

W. NOSWORTHY, for Minister of Lands.

Trustees appointed for Pokeno Public Hall Site.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

N pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Special Powers and Contracts Act, 1883, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

Alexander Duncan Gordon, David Gulland, George Hayward, Ernest Charles O'Leary, Russel Caradus O'Leary, and Percy Wallace Ryburn

to be trustees of the Pokeno Public Hall site, Allotment 144a of Section 1, Parish of Mangatawhiri, North Auckland Land District, in the place of Samuel O'Leary (deceased), and Alfred James Raves Bourne, Malcolm Brown, Thomas Gordon, Edward Hayward, and Frederic Samuel Baxter Lowery (left the district).

s witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 1st day of June. 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

Arrangements for First Election, &c., Hauraki Plains West Drainage District.

Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington, 1st June, 1928.

IS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to appoint

Ernest Leslie Walton, Esquire, of Ngatea,

to be Returning Officer and person to prepare the roll of electors in connection with the first election of the Board of the