

Situated four miles and a half from Otautau. No formed road within a mile and a half. Balance of road to Otautau, three miles good gravelled road. Altitude, 130 ft. above sea-level. Suitable for grazing when drained.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 14th day of June, 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

*Opening Lands in the Taranaki 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 lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Monday, the twenty-third 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 Act.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.  
SECOND-CLASS LAND.

*Taumarunui County.—Ohura Survey District.*

SECTIONS 5 and 10, Block XVI: Area, 439 acres 2 roods. Capital value, £385. Half-yearly rent, £7 14s.

Weighted with £500, valuation for improvements. Deposit required on improvements, £50; balance, £450 on mortgage for 34½ years, interest 5½ per cent. Exemption from rent to be granted for a period of ten years, subject to improvements to the value of £40 being effected annually during the exemption period. Exemption from interest to be granted for a period of three years, subject to improvements to the value of £50 being effected annually during the exemption period.

A grazing property, situated at Aukopae on the Aorangi Road, about twelve miles from Taumarunui Railway-station and about a quarter of a mile from Aukopae School.

Comprises about 18 acres of undulating land, and balance hilly to steep, with fair quality soil on papa and sandstone formation. Well and safely watered by running streams. 140 acres standing bush; 300 acres originally grassed, but deteriorated. 360 chains fencing. Buildings comprise seven-roomed dwelling and shed.

*Ohura County.—Ohura Survey District.*

Section 5, Block X: Area, 591 acres 1 rood 26 perches. Capital value, £430. Half-yearly rent, £8 12s.

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

Weighted with £880, valuation for improvements, repayable by a deposit of £90, and balance partly on first mortgage to State Advances, partly on second mortgage to Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund.

A grazing farm on the Kopuha Road, about five miles and a half from Ohura Railway-station and school.

About 30 acres undulating land; balance hilly. Well watered. Good soil. About 160 acres standing bush; balance in grass. Portion grassed area deteriorated.

Improvements comprise four-roomed dwelling, shed, yards, dip, orchard, and 310 chains fencing.

*Waitomo County.—Aria Survey District.*

Section 14 and Subdivisions 1 and 2 of 16, Block VI: Area, 282 acres 3 roods 3 perches. Capital value, £280. Half-yearly rent, £5 12s.

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

Weighted with £500, valuation for improvements, repayable by a deposit of £50, and balance of £450 to be secured on Discharged Soldiers Settlement mortgage for 34½ years, interest 5½ per cent.

A farm property on the Paro Road, seven miles from Aria Township, and comprising mostly undulating country (part steep), and 60 acres of swamp. The soil is of fair quality. Elevation from 440 ft. to 1,175 ft. above sea-level.

Improvements: Whare (8 ft. by 12 ft.), 70 chains fencing, and 272 acres felling and grassing.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

*Waitomo County.—Totoro Survey District.*

Section 1, Block XII: Area, 327 acres 0 roods 32 perches. Capital value, £400. Half-yearly rent, £8.

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

Weighted with £715, valuation for improvements, including State Advances mortgage, £101 10s. 4d., repayable by 10 per cent. cash deposit and first mortgage to State Advances; balance on second mortgage to Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account.

A farm property situated on the Mokaiti Road, about sixteen miles from Waimiha Railway-station, two miles from Onaiao School, and about nine miles from the Aria Dairy Factory. This section comprises about 150 acres ploughable land, 50 acres swamp land, and balance easy hills; 115 acres of bush land have been felled and grassed, and are in good pasture. Well watered by permanent springs and streams. Slightly affected with ragwort.

Improvements consist of dwelling, cowshed, bridge, 160 chains fencing (in good condition), 40 chains drainage. State Advances Superintendent loan, £101 11s. 4d. First mortgage to State Advances Superintendent: Half-yearly instalment of principal and interest £4 0s. 10d., due 27th February and 27th August each year. Subject to rebate for prompt payment.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 14th day of June, 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

*Opening Settlement Land in Nelson 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 land described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on renewable lease on Tuesday, the seventh day of August, 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 Acts.

SCHEDULE.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT.—SETTLEMENT LAND.

*Murchison County.—Matakitaki Survey District.—Matakitaki Settlement.*

SECTIONS 1s to 5s, Blocks III, IV, and VIII: Area, 4,975 acres. Capital value, £9,260; £650\*. Half-yearly rent, £231 10s.; £32 16s. 6d.†.

\* Valuation for buildings.

† Half-yearly instalment of interest and sinking fund on buildings comprising four-roomed dwelling, cookhouse with lean-to, small cob-house, two iron huts, stable, barn, and large shearing-shed, valued at £650, repayable in fourteen years by twenty-eight half-yearly instalments of £32 16s. 6d. each: Total half-yearly payment on lease, £264 6s. 6d.

Weighted with £1,524, valuation for improvements comprising felling, grassing, fencing, dip, and sheep-yards; payable in cash.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The whole of the above-mentioned settlement is now offered for selection on renewable lease as one holding. The area under offer comprises 1,825 acres of naturally open land, in pasture. 390 acres of bush land have been felled and grassed, 586 acres of bush windfall have been sown in grasses, 675 acres of fair open river-bed grazing; balance in standing bush.

Matakitaki Settlement is situated approximately twenty-seven miles from Murchison by good road to ford across Matakitaki River; thence by four miles of partly formed road within the settlement to the homestead buildings. The settlement is subdivided into twenty paddocks, and comprises a considerable area of flat land, the balance being easy hilly country. The Matakitaki River runs through the entire length of the settlement. The altitude ranges from 1,200 ft. to 2,100 ft. above sea-level.

DEAD STOCK.

There is a considerable quantity of dead stock on the settlement, consisting of machinery, implements, &c., which will be available to the incoming settler at the present-day valuation thereof.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 11th day of June, 1928.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.