

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Forfeiture of Land in Nelson Land District rescinded.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 24th January, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that the forfeiture of the under-mentioned land, gazetted on 24th November, 1927, page 3554, has been rescinded by resolution of the Nelson Land Board.

SCHEDULE.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT.

LEASE No. L.S.R.L. 71, Section 8, Block IX, Wairere Survey District. Lessee: Robert James Walker.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

Land in Taranaki Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 1st February, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned sections are open for selection on renewable lease under the Land Act, 1924; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, 16th February, 1928.

Preference at the ballot will be given to landless applicants who have one or more children dependent on them; to landless applicants who, within two years immediately preceding date of ballot, have applied for land at least twice unsuccessfully; to applicants who have served beyond New Zealand as members of the Expeditionary Force; to persons engaged on military service beyond New Zealand in connection with the late war, if such persons immediately prior to the war were *bona fide* residents in New Zealand; and to applicants who, while domiciled in New Zealand, have served beyond New Zealand as members of any of His Majesty's Forces in connection with any war other than the war with Germany.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Taumarunui County.—Ohura Survey District.

(Exempt from Rent for Two Years.)

SECTION 11, Block XVI: Area, 345 acres. Capital value, £350. Half-yearly rent, £7.

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

Weighted with £1,230, valuation for improvements, comprising dwelling, sheds, fencing, and about 250 acres felling and grassing. This amount is payable in cash or may be secured by way of first mortgage for a period of 3½ years in accordance with the regulations under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. in the event of the incoming lessee being a discharged soldier, and at the rate of 5½ per cent. if otherwise.

Property is situated about ten miles from the Taumarunui Railway-station and about two miles from Aukopae School and Post-office. It is subdivided into four paddocks. About 95 acres is in bush; balance area has been felled, but is now deteriorating. Estimated carrying-capacity, 250 ewes, 12 dairy cows, and a few head of young stock.

Waitomo County.—Mapara Survey District.

(Exempt from Rent for Two Years.)

Section 3, Block IV: Area, 346 acres. Capital value, £350. Half-yearly rent, £7.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of two years providing improvements to the value of £35 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £710, valuation for improvements, comprising about 200 acres felling and grassing, about 233 chains of fencing, whare, shed, and yards. This amount is to be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Superintendent.

This property is situated about five miles from Kopaki Railway-station and four miles from Aramatai School. It comprises about 120 acres fair pasture, about 80 acres pasture reverting to second growth. In its present state, it is estimated to carry 80 ewes, 40 dry sheep, 10 dairy cows, and 15 head of cattle.

THIRD-CLASS LAND.

Patea County.—Kapara Survey District.

(Exempt from Rent for Five Years.)

Sections 11, 12, and 13, Block IX: Area, 1,268 acres. Capital value, £320. Half-yearly rent, £6 8s.

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

Weighted with £640, valuation for improvements, comprising four-roomed dwelling, cow-shed, wool-shed, approximately 240 chains fencing, and about 400 acres felling and grassing (now deteriorated). £160 of this amount may be secured on mortgage to the Superintendent, State Advances Department; the balance is payable in cash.

Property is situated on the Weraweraonga Road, about twenty miles and a half from Waverley Railway-station. It comprises for the most part steep and broken country. Estimated carrying-capacity, 400 wethers.

Clifton County.—Upper Waitara Survey District.

(Exempt from Rent for Three Years.)

Section 4, Block XI: Area, 1,215 acres. Capital value, £450. Half-yearly rent, £9.

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

Weighted with £1,040, valuation for improvements, comprising approximately 550 acres felling and grassing (now deteriorated), four-roomed house and pantry, tool-house, and about 200 chains of fencing. This amount is payable in cash, or may be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Department.

Property is situated about thirteen miles from Matau School. Access is gained by way of the Waitara Valley Road, thence by way of a low-level bridge across the Waitara River. Property is subdivided into nine paddocks. In its present condition it is estimated to carry 350 ewes, 150 dry sheep, and 30 head of cattle.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Ohura County.—Ohura Survey District.

(Exempt from Rent for Five Years.)

Sections 1, 2, and 5, Block II: Area, 1,061 acres. Capital value, £930. Half-yearly rent, £18 12s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years providing improvements to the value of £100 are effected annually during the exemption period.

Weighted with £2,260, valuation for improvements, comprising approximately 975 acres felling and grassing, dwelling, wool-shed, and stable, and about 780 chains of fencing. This amount is to be secured by way of first mortgage to the State Advances Superintendent. Property is situated approximately four miles from Ohura by good metalled road. About 110 acres comprises flat and fairly strong land well grassed; balance area is broken to steep with an occasional easy patch. About 50 acres is in standing bush. Subdivided into four large paddocks and five small ones. Estimated carrying-capacity at present, 35 dairy cows and 800 dry sheep.

ABSTRACT OF CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. Term of lease, sixty-six years, with a perpetual right of renewal for further successive terms of sixty-six years.
2. Rent, 4 per cent. per annum on the capital value, payable on 1st January and 1st July in each year.
3. Applicants to be seventeen years of age and upwards.
4. Applicants to furnish statutory declaration with application, and, on being declared successful, deposit £1 ls. (lease fee) and a half-year's rent. Rent for the broken period between date of lease and 1st January or 1st July following is also payable.
5. Applications made on the same day are deemed to be simultaneous.
6. Order of selection is decided by ballot.
7. Successful applicant to execute lease within thirty days after being notified that it is ready for signature.
8. Residence is to commence within four years in bush land or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, and to be continuous for ten years. Under certain conditions personal residence may be dispensed with.
9. *Improvements.*—Lessee is required to improve the land within one year to the value of 10 per cent. of the price; within two years to the value of another 10 per cent. of the price; and thereafter, but within six years, to the value of another 10 per cent. of the price. In addition to the foregoing, and within six years, improvements are also to be