

DESCRIPTIONS OF SECTIONS.

Section 1: Ninety acres sown in wheat, 27 acres fallow, 97 acres good, 119 acres fair, old pasture, subdivided into six paddocks. Weighted with £1,102 2s. 6d., value of improvements comprising five-roomed brick dwelling with bathroom, scullery and pantry, hot and cold water, washhouse and storeroom attached, £800; twelve-stalled corrugated iron stable (to be removed by selector at his own expense from Section 2), £30; cowbyre, pigstye, and two sheds, £19; windmill, well, tank-stand, and underground concrete tank, four dams, £74; 118 chains road-boundary gorse fence £59; 152 chains party boundary fence (gorse and wire) half value, £38; 154½ chains subdivisiveal (gorse and wire), £77 2s. 6d.; plantation, £5; total, £1,102 2s. 6d. Payable, £82 2s. 6d. in cash at ballot; balance of £1,020 by forty-two half-yearly instalments of £39 15s. 8d. Crops and cultivation valued at £271 16s. are to be paid for in cash at ballot.

Section 2: Forty-six acres sown in wheat, 63 acres just fed off, 84 acres fallow, 189 acres fair pasture. Subdivided into ten paddocks. Weighted with £1,473 10s., value of improvements comprising substantial brick dwelling—ten rooms with bathroom, pantry, scullery; hot and cold water, &c.; washhouse, dairy, storeroom, motor-garage, £890; Granary, stable, implement-shed, £190; cowbyre and yard, £20; fowlhouse, £9; two windmills, six dams, well, tanks, £131; garden and plantations, £30; 61½ chains road-boundary fence (gorse and wire), £30 15s.; 296 chains party boundary fence (gorse and wire), half value, £74; 197½ chains subdivisiveal fencing (gorse and wire), £98 15s.; total, £1,473 10s. Payable, £103 10s. in cash at ballot; balance of £1,370 by forty-two half-yearly instalments of £53 8s. 8d. Crops and cultivation valued at £168 10s., are to be paid for in cash at ballot. (NOTE.—Corrugated iron stable, also men's quarters, on this section are to be removed.)

Section 3: All in fair to good pasture, subdivided into four paddocks. Weighted with £305 3s. 9d., value of improvements comprising eight-stall stable and feed-room, £40; men's quarters, £30 (both to be removed by selector at his own expense from Section 2); wool-shed and yards, £95; sheep dip, £32; 57½ chains road-boundary fence, gorse and wire, £28 17s. 6d.; 222½ chains party boundary fence (gorse and wire), half value, £55 11s. 3d.; 47½ chains subdivisiveal fence (gorse and wire), £23 15s.; total, £305 3s. 9d. Payable, £25 3s. 9d. in cash at ballot; balance of £280 by forty-two half-yearly instalments of £10 18s. 5d.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 10th day of October, 1929.

GEO. W. FORBES, Minister of Lands.

Opening Settlement Lands in Canterbury 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, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, and amendments, 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 eighteenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, 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.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.—SETTLEMENT LAND.

Ellesmere County.—Leeston Survey District.—Welburn Settlement.

Section 1s: Area, 84 acres 0 roods 25 perches. Capital value, £3,040. Half-yearly rent, £76. Cash payment for improvements, crops, and cultivation, £242 2s.

Section 2s: Area, 83 acres 0 roods 32 perches. Capital value, £3,115. Half-yearly rent, £77 17s. 6d. Deposit on improvements, £27 8s.; half-yearly instalment on improvements, £23 8s. Cash payment for crops and cultivation, £9.

Section 3s: Area, 86 acres 0 roods 24 perches. Capital value, £3,275. Half-yearly rent, £81 17s. 6d. Cash payment for improvements, crops, and cultivation, £83 12s.

Section 4s: Area, 120 acres 0 roods 34 perches. Capital value, £3,625. Half-yearly rent, £90 12s. 6d. Cash payment for improvements, crops, and cultivation, £179.

Section 5s: Area, 94 acres 1 rood 3 perches. Capital value, £3,775. Half-yearly rent, £94 7s. 6d. Cash payment for improvements, crops, and cultivation, £154 4s.

Section 6s: Area, 101 acres 2 roods 13 perches. Capital value, £3,310. Half-yearly rent, £82 15s. Cash payment for improvements, crops, and cultivation, £169 10s.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

This settlement is situated three miles from Leeston Saleyards, two miles from Doyleston Railway-station and dairy factory, and three miles and a half from school. Access is by the main Christchurch-Southbridge Road. It is in the centre of one of the best farming districts in Canterbury. Well watered by wells, creeks, drains, &c. Water can be obtained on all sections at an average depth of 15 ft. All flat ploughable country. About 6 in. to 12 in. of black loam on clay subsoil. With normal farming should on the average produce 40 bushels of wheat, 50 of barley, 40 of peas, and about 2½ tons of chaff per acre. From a grazing point of view should carry one cow to 2 acres. The sections are considered to be very suitable for dairying. The lessee of Section 2 must keep the buildings insured to the full insurable value in the name of the Commissioner of Crown Lands as lessor, at the expense of the lessee, until the amount owing thereon is repaid.

DESCRIPTION OF SECTIONS.

Section 1: Twenty-eight and a half acres sown in wheat, 16 acres in Garton oats, 13 acres in peas; balance just sown down in permanent pasture. Weighted with £57 2s., value of improvements comprising 91 chains road-boundary and internal fencing and half value 103½ chains party boundary fencing; and £185 for crops and cultivation: total, £242 2s. This sum is payable in cash at the ballot. Section subdivided into four paddocks.

Section 2: Two and three-quarter acres in wheat; balance in good pasture. Weighted with £627 8s. for improvements, comprising 132 chains road and internal fencing and half value 98 chains party boundary fencing, £72 8s. Cottage, six rooms and conveniences, h. and c. water, telephone, electric light, &c., £395; deep well, tanks and stand, £30; implement-shed, £15; stable and chaff-room, £65; piggery, £20; milking-shed, £20; windmill and well (in paddock), £10; and £9 for crops and cultivation: total, £636 8s. This sum is payable by cash deposit of £36 8s. at ballot, balance (£600) by forty-two half-yearly instalments of £23 8s. comprising principal and interest. Section subdivided into seven main paddocks, with a few small ones about homestead.

NOTE.—The other buildings on this section are being sold for removal.

Section 3: Fifteen acres in Garton oats; balance in three-year grass and upwards, good pasture. Weighted with £40 12s. value of improvements, comprising 58 chains road-boundary and internal fencing, half value of 87 chains of party boundary fencing; and £43 for crops and cultivation: total, £83 12s. This sum is payable in cash at the ballot. Section subdivided into two paddocks.

Section 4: Sixteen acres sown in wheat, 17½ acres in peas, 12½ acres in Russian barley (being fed off); balance in grass, three years and upwards; all fairly good pasture. Weighted with £74, value of improvements comprising 125 chains road-boundary and internal fencing, half value 110 chains party boundary fencing, and £105 for crops and cultivation: total, £179. This sum is payable in cash at the ballot. Section subdivided into four paddocks. This section is also suitable for mixed farming.

Section 5: Twenty-two acres in Garton oats; balance in young grass, two to four years. Weighted with £88 4s., value of improvements comprising 147 chains road-boundary and internal fencing, half value 87 chains party boundary fencing, £78 4s.; windmill and well, £10; and £66 for crops and cultivation: total, £154 4s. This sum is payable in cash at the ballot. Section subdivided into four paddocks.

Section 6: Twenty acres in Garton oats, 12½ acres in peas; balance in good pasture, mostly three and four years. Weighted with £75 10s., value of improvements comprising 130 chains road-boundary and internal fencing, half value 67½ chains party boundary fencing, £65 10s.; windmill and well, £10; and £94 for crops and cultivation: total, £169 10s. This sum is payable in cash at the ballot. Subdivided into four paddocks.

SPECIAL NOTE.—The lessees of the various sections will be required, at their own cost, to keep all drains on their respective sections clear and free from weeds or obstructions of any kind likely to impede the natural flow of the water.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 14th day of October, 1929.

T. K. SIDEY, for Minister of Lands.