after taking into consideration the experience and skill of the applicants in farming operations, the proximity of their homes to the lands the subject-matter of the ballot, and any other relevant considerations, is of opinion that they should be entitled to preference equally with applicants of any of the hereinbefore specified classes.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND. Waimarino County.—Karioi Survey District.

Sections 6, 7, and 8, Block V: Area, 381 acres 3 roods. Capital value, £190. Deposit on deferred payments, £10. Half-yearly instalment on deferred payments, £5 17s. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £3 16s.

Weighted with £600, for improvements consisting of felling,

grassing, stumping, fencing, cow-shed, and separator-room. This sum is payable in cash or by a cash deposit of £20, and the balance being secured by a first mortgage repayable by

half-yearly instalments of principal and interest over a period of approximately thirty-five years.

Situated between the Mangateitei and Mangahuehue Streams with a frontage to the Mangateitei Road, about one mile and a half from Rangataua Railway-station by metalled road. The store is at Rangataua, about one mile and a half distant. Level to easy rolling country, pasture poor and running out; 196 acres have been felled and grassed, 40 acres swamp, and balance milled bush. The soil is of light quality volcanic mixture, resting on clay and shingle formation.

Altitude about 1,800 ft. above sea-level.

Special Condition.—The property is offered subject to existing tramway and water rights.

Full particluars can be obtained from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

H. W. C. MACKINTOSH, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run in Gisborne Land District for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Gisborne, 15th January, 1930.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned small grazing-run is open for selection in terms of the Land Act, 1924; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, 20th January, 1930. Thursday, 30th January, 1930.

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, on Friday, 31st January, 1930, but if any applicant so desires he may be examined by the Land Board of any

other district.

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 of New Zealand; 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; and to landless applicants in respect of whom the Board, after taking into consideration the experience and skill of the aptaking into consideration the experience and skill of the applicants in farming operations, the proximity of their homes to the lands the subject-matter of the ballot, and any other relevant considerations, is of opinion that they should be entitled to preference equally with applicants of any of the hereinbefore specified classes.

SCHEDULE.

GISBORNE LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND. Wairoa County.—Taramarama Survey District.

Run No. 66. Section 1, Block VI: Area, 1,894 acres. Capital

walue, £4,676. Small grazing-run: Yearly rent, £115. Weighted with £1,835, for improvements consisting of wool-shed and yard, whare, seven miles fencing, 800 acres felled and grassed. This sum is payable in cash. Situated on the Waikaremoana Road, distant about sixteen

miles from Frasertown and twenty-one miles from Wairoa by a well formed metalled road. Property also fronts on to the main road to Tuai and Lake Waikaremoana. Block comprises principally easy hill country, of which a fair amount is ploughable. Well watered by springs and good running streams. Soil light to fair generally, of pumicious nature. Block originally covered with manuka scrub and fern with light and mixed bush in gullies. Abstract of Conditions of Lease, Small Grazing-run

Applicants to be seventeen years of age and upwards.
 Terms of lease: Twenty-one years, with right of renewal;
 or in the event of subdivision into allotments, right to a lease

of one allotment, compensation for loss of right to new lease of other allotments, and valuation for improvements.

3. Rent commences from date of lease, and is payable half-yearly, in advance, on 1st March and 1st September in

each year.

4. Applicants to furnish statutory declaration with applications, 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 March or 1st September following is also payable.

5. No person may hold more than one run, except on the recommendation of the Land Board, and with the approval

the Minister of Lands.

of the Minister of Lands.
6. Improvements.—Lessee is required to improve the run within one year to the value of one year's rental; within two years to the value of two years' rental, and within six years to the value of four years' rental. In addition to the foregoing, on bush land, improvements are also to be effected within six years to the value of 10s. per acre for every acre of first-class land, and 5s. per acre for every acre of second-class land. Any money paid as valuation for improvements will be allowed as substantial improvements upon the land.
7. On expiry of term of lease, lessee's improvements will be valued and protected.
8. Residence must commence within three years in the case of bush land or swamp land, and within one year in the case

of bush land or swamp land, and within one year in the case of open or partly open land, and be continuous until the expiration of the lease. Under certain conditions personal residence may be dispensed with after ten years.

9. Roads may be taken without payment of compensation.

10. Lease is liable to forfeiture if conditions are violated.

Full particulars may be obtained at this office.

J. D. THOMSON, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Settlement Land in Southland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,

Invercargill, 15th January, 1930.

OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land is open for selection on a control of the control of th OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land is open for selection on renewable lease under the Land Act, 1924, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, and amendments, and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th February, 1930.

Applicants must appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on Thursday, 20th February, 1930, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.; but if any applicant so desires he may be examined by the Land Board of any other district.

The ballot will be held immediately upon the conclusion of the examination of applicants.

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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 the 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 of New Zealand; 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, and to landless applicants in respect of whom the Board, after taking into consideration the experience and skill of the applicants in farming operations, the proximity of their homes to the lands the subject-matter of the ballot, and any other relevant considerations, is of opinion that they should be entitled to preference equally with applicants of any of the hereinbefore specified classes. who have one or more children dependent on them; to

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.—SETTLE-MENT LAND.

Southland County.—New River Hundred.—Monte Cristo Settlement.

(Exempt from payment of rent for one year.)

Section 4s: Area, 117 acres 1 rood 30 perches. Capital value, £1,250. Half-yearly rent, £31 5s.

Weighted with £500, value of improvements comprising buildings, fencing, and draining. This sum is payable either