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5. Applications made on the same day are deemed to be simultaneous.

6. Order of selection is decided by ballot.

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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 effected to the value of £1 for every acre of first-class land, 10s. for every acre of second-class land, and 2s. 6d. for every acre of third-class land.

10. Lessee to pay all rates, taxes, and assessments.

11. Transfer not allowed until completion of two years' continuous residence, except under extraordinary circumstances, and then only with permission.

12. Roads may be taken through the lands at any time within seven years; twice the original value to be allowed for area taken for such roads.

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

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W. D. ARMIT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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Lands in Taranaki Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 24th June, 1930.

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 Monday, 25th August, 1930.

Applicants should appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, 27th August, 1930, at 10 o'clock a.m.; but if any applicant is unable to attend he may be examined by any other Land Board, or by any Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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 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.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Clifton County.—Ngatimaru Survey District.

(Exempt from rent for five years.)

SECTIONS 18 and 19, Block II: Area, 595 acres. Capital value, £320. Half-yearly rent, £6 8s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, provided improvements to the value of £32 effected annually.

Weighted with £625 for improvements, comprising five-roomed dwelling, wool-shed, about 100 chains fencing, approximately 475 acres felling and grassing. This sum is payable either in cash or may be secured on first mortgage to the State Advances Department.

A grazing property, situated on the Junction Road, about seven miles from the Kiore Railway-station and about one

mile from the Purangi School. The section is well watered, and is subdivided into four paddocks. About 250 acres is in fair pasture, and about 225 acres in worn-out pasture reverted to fern, &c.

Estimated carrying capacity: 200 dry sheep and 30 steers and heifers.

Whangamomona County.—Pouatu Survey District.

(Exempt from rent for five years.)

Section 10, Block IX: Area, 979 acres 1 rood. Capital value, £390. Half-yearly rent, £7 16s.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of five years, provided improvements to value of £50 are effected annually.

Weighted with £50, for improvements comprising about 70 acres felled and grassed and about 60 chains fencing. This sum is payable in cash.

This section is situated on the Marco Road, about ten miles from the Whangamomona Township and railway-station by formed road, six miles of which is metalled. With the exception of about 250 acres, it comprises steep and broken sandstone country.

Waitomo County.—Totoro Survey District.

(Exempt from rent for three years.)

Section 5, Block VIII: Area, 383 acres. Capital value, £450. Half-yearly rent, £9.

Exempt from payment of rent for a period of three years, provided improvements to value of £45 effected annually.

Weighted with £80, for improvements comprising about 80 chains of fencing. This sum may be paid in cash or by a cash deposit of £20, the balance—viz., £60—by annual instalments of £15 over a period of four years, with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

Situated at the junction of the Tikitiki and Mapiu Roads, about fourteen miles from the Kopaki Railway-station and about seven miles from the Pio Pio Dairy Factory, and five miles from Aramatai School.

With the exception of the fencing, this property is in an entirely unimproved state. About 230 acres comprises papa country in bush, but the balance area, which is in scrub, is of light-quality land. When cleared, this section should make a good grazing and dairying proposition.

Application for an advance for development purposes will be considered in respect to this property.

Special condition: In the event of any timber being disposed of for sawmilling purposes all royalty derived therefrom must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, New Plymouth.

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 the 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 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 January or 1st July following is also payable.

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