

Weighted with £30, for improvements consisting of 20 acres felled and grassed. This sum must be paid in cash.

The section is situated on the banks of the Wangapeka River, and is sixteen miles from Tadmor, nine miles by motor-road, and the remainder by horse-track. Section consists of broken, hilly, bush-clad spurs, with practically no flat land. Twenty acres have been grassed and felled, but is now deteriorating. The soil is of poor quality resting on granite formation while the bush consists of black and red birch, rata, &c. Well watered by permanent streams. No buildings.

*Collingwood County.—Waitapu Survey District.*

RURAL LAND.

(Exempt from rent for four years.)

Section 8, Block II: Area, 114 acres 0 roods 25 perches. Capital value, £30. Half-yearly rent, 12s.

Weighted with £112, for improvements consisting of five-roomed dwelling (which is rapidly deteriorating) and 120 chains of fencing.

The section is situated one and a half miles from the main Takaka-Collingwood Road, and the access is from Onakaka Works by track only. The section is comprised of approximately 5 acres in bush, mostly birch timber; the remainder is undulating and has reverted to fern and manuka. Semi pakihī. Watered by one stream.

*Takaka County.—Totaranui Survey District.*

RURAL LAND.

(Exempt from payment of rent for four years.)

Section 13, Block VI: Area, 1,650 acres. Capital value, £495. Half-yearly rent, £9 18s.

Weighted with £65, for improvements consisting of 65 acres felled and grassed and 19 chains of fencing.

This section is situated in the Awaroa Inlet, twenty-four miles from Takaka, by road. The section is hilly country, with approximately 65 acres in fern, manuka, heather, and rough pasture; the balance is in bush, mostly birch, with a sprinkling of rimu on the lower slopes. The section is well watered with a permanent stream. There are no buildings on the property.

*Takaka County.—Waitapu Survey District.*

RURAL LAND.

Section 2, Block IV: Area, 621 acres. Capital value, £155. Half-yearly rent, £3 2s.

Weighted with £295 16s., for improvements consisting of 100 acres felled and cleared, 52 chains of fencing, and also an old dwelling and outhouse.

Section is situated at Puramahoi on by-road, which is approximately two and a quarter miles from main Takaka-Collingwood Road, and is four and a half miles from the post-office. There is a clearing of approximately 100 acres, but it has gone back to fern, although there is rough feed suitable for cattle. The country is somewhat broken, and the remaining 500-odd acres is in bush. The soil is of poor quality generally with the exception of a small area of limestone outcrop. The section is well watered with permanent streams.

#### ABSTRACT AND 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 applications, and, on being declared successful, deposit £1 1s. (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 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 land 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.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Nelson.

A. T. WATERS,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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*Settlement Lands in Otago Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.*

District Lands and Survey Office,

Dunedin, 24th June, 1930.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned lands are 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 Dunedin District Lands and Survey Office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 11th August, 1930.

Applicants should appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Land Board Survey Office, Dunedin, on Wednesday, 13th 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.

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

*Tuapeka County.—Tapanui Settlement.*

SECTIONS 1s and 2s: Area, 556 acres 1 rood 31 perches. Capital value, £9,730. Half-yearly rent, £243 5s.

Approximately 160 acres now being ploughed, the cost of which will require to be paid in cash by successful applicant.

Improvements included in capital value: Half value 101 chains north boundary fencing, £20 4s.; half value 65 chains east boundary fencing, £16 5s.; full value 38 chains north-west road-boundary fencing, £13 6s.; half value 25 chains west boundary fencing, £3 2s. 6d.; half value 52 chains part south boundary fencing, £10 8s.; full value 103 chains internal fencing, £37 2s.: Total, £100 7s. 6d.

Situated about four miles from Tapanui Township (with Post and Telegraph Office, school, and railway station), and Tapanui and Kelso dairy factories are about four and four and a half miles distant. Approximately 160 acres now being ploughed; balance in old pasture.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

Tapanui Settlement, which was formerly known as "Brookdale," the property of Mr. George Stuart, is situated in a very good agricultural district, where dairying, cropping, sheep-farming, and fattening are successfully carried on. Splendid access. Practically all level land or on a gentle slope lying well to the sun. Mostly good sharp soil, and the whole area is capable of much improvement. Responds well to top-dressing and manuring; is clear of rabbits. Good water-supply, thus making for very good sheep and cattle country, while splendid root and cereal crops can be grown.