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 care of second class land, and 2n 6d for every acre of third acre of second-class land, and 2s. 6d. for every acre of thirdclass 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, Hokitika.

T. CAGNEY, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(L. and S. 23/781.)

Education Reserves in Taranaki Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,

New Plymouth, 29th September, 1930.

New Plymouth, 29th September, 1930.

OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned education reserves will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, at 10.30 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, 5th November, 1930, under the provisions of the Education Reserves Act, 1928, and the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

 $Waitomo\ County. - Totoro\ Survey\ District.$

Section 13, Block XI: Area, 302 acres. Upset annual rent, £7 10s.

Weighted with £200, for improvements comprising about 50 acres worn-out pasture, about 252 acres bush land felled and grassed (now reverted to second growth), 150 chains fencing, house (poor order) and cow-shed. This sum is payable in cash.

Situated on the Mokauiti Road, about thirty miles from Te Kuiti Railway-station, about half a mile from Onairo School, and about six miles from Aria Dairy Factory.
Watered by running streams and springs.

This property is broken by rhyolite and sandstone bluffs. Present earrying-capacity is estimated at 50 ewes and 10 steers and heifers.

After payment of the first half year's rent, broken period rent (if any), and lease fee, a remission of rent will be allowed for a period of five years, provided improvements to value of £15 is effected annually.

Patea Borough.—Town of Patea.

Sections 3 and 4, Block XVIII: Area, 2 roods. Upset annual rental, £5.

This property is situated in Norfolk Street, and is all in grass. Level sections, about 30 chains from Patea Post-office and about half a mile from the school. On the road frontage, there is a hedge, with one chain of fence and gate. The remaining sides are defined with boxthorn hedge. Water is laid on The annual rate is £1 14s. 8d.

Weighted with £13 for improvements. This sum is payable in cash immediately on fall of hammer.

Abstract of Terms and Conditions of Lease.

1. Six months' rent at the rate offered and £2 2s. (lease fee)

must be deposited on acceptance of bid.
2. Term of lease, twenty-one years, with perpetual right of renewal for further similar terms at rentals based on fresh valuations under the provisions of the Public Bodies' Leases

Rent payable half-yearly in advance.

4. Lessee to maintain in good substantial repair all buildings, drains, and fences; to keep clear all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses; to trim all live hedges; and yield up all improvements in good order and condition at the expiration of his lease.

- 5. Lessee not to transfer, sublet, or subdivide without the consent of the Land Board.
- 6. Lessee not to use or remove any gravel without the

consent of the Land Board.
7. Lessee not to carry on any noxious, noisome, or offensive trade upon the land.

- 8. No liability is accepted on the part of the Crown or of the Land Board to pay to the lessee any compensation for improvements, but if the lease is not renewed upon expiration, by public competition will be subject to payment by the incoming tenant of an amount equal to the value of buildings and improvements effected by the original lessee; and the amount so paid by the incoming tenant shall be paid to the original lessee without any deduction except for rent or other payments in arrear.
 - 9. Lease liable to forfeiture if conditions are violated.

10. Lessee to keep buildings insured.11. Interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum to be paid on rent in arrear.

12. Possession will be given on the day of the sale.

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

W. D. ARMIT. Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(L. and S. 22/2807.)

Reserve in Southland Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 30th September, 1930.

OTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned reserve will be offered for lease by the control of the control o will be offered for lease by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on Wednesday, 5th November, 1930, at 11 o'clock a.m., under the provisions of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

Section 30, Block VIII, Toetoes District: Area, 55 acres 1 rood 3 perches. Upset annual rental, £30.
Signal reserve situated within a mile of Fortrose. Good

grazing-land.

Abstract of Conditions of Lease.

- Term of lease: Fourteen years from 1st November, 1930.
- 2. Rent payable half-yearly in advance, on the 1st April and 1st October in each year.

 3. No improvements to be effected without prior consent in

writing of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

4. If at end of term a new lease is submitted at auction then value of improvements effected with consent as aforesaid, will be payable by incoming lessee, but in no circumstances whatever will Crown be liable to pay for any improvements.

5. Lessee shall prevent the growth and spread of gorse, broom, and other noxious weeds on the land.

6. Lessee shall have no right to sublet, transfer, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of the land without the prior consent in writing of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

7. Lessee shall pay all rates, taxes, and other assessments accruing upon the said land.

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

Full particulars may be obtained on application to this office.

J. MACDONALD, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(L. and S. 1913/1662.)

STATE FOREST SERVICE NOTICES.

Milling-timber for Sale by Public Tender.

State Forest Service

Hokitika, 1st October, 1930.

NOTICE is hereby given that written tenders for the purchase of the undermentioned milling-timber will close at the office of the State Forest Service, Hokitika, at 4 o'clock p.m. on Friday, the 24th day of October, 1930.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND CONSERVATION REGION.—WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

ALL the milling-timber on the area, containing approximately 174 acres, situated in Block XV, Kanieri Survey District, part of Provisional State Forest Reserve 1622, about sixteen miles from Hokitika.