

Land in Westland Land District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 1st December, 1930.

NOTICE is hereby given that the lease of the undermentioned land having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Westland Land Board, the said land has thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the Land Act, 1924.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.

TENURE: Regs. Lease 46. Section 3304, Block XV, Waihero Survey District. Lessee: J. Christie. Reason for forfeiture: At request.

R. MASTERS, for Minister of Lands.
(L. and S. 22/950/7.)

Lands in Westland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Hokitika, 2nd December, 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, Hokitika, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Friday, 16th January, 1931.

Applicants should appear personally before the Land Board for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Hokitika, on Wednesday, 21st January, 1931, 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.

WESTLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Westland County.—Ahaura Survey District.

SECTION 3098, Block II: Area, 233 acres 3 roods 7 perches. Capital value, £100. Half-yearly rent, £2.

Comprises mostly flat terraced land, carrying heavy timber throughout, consisting of birch and miro of no commercial value, with a dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil is fair quality of a sandy nature resting on gravel. Altitude, 690 ft. to 770 ft. above sea-level. Well watered by permanent streams. Access by Ahaura-Kopara metalled dray-road, six miles from Ahaura Post and Telegraph Office and railway-station.

Section 3099, Block VI: Area, 246 acres 2 roods 14 perches. Capital value, £100. Half-yearly rent, £2.

Comprises 30 acres rough spur; balance flat, carrying heavy timber, partly burned, consisting of birch and miro, with few small white and red pines of no commercial value,

with a dense undergrowth of black scrub. Soil is fair, of a sandy nature, resting on gravel. Altitude, 750 ft. to 830 ft. above sea-level. Well watered by permanent streams. Access by Ahaura-Kopara metalled dray-road, six miles and three-quarters from Ahaura Post and Telegraph Office and railway-station.

Section 3100, Block VI: Area, 254 acres 3 roods 24 perches. Capital value, £100. Half-yearly rent, £2.

Comprises 70 acres rough hilly faces; balance flat, the whole carrying heavy timber consisting of birch, miro, with a few white and red pines of no commercial value, with a dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil is fair, of a sandy nature resting on gravel. Altitude, 785 ft. to 1,125 ft. above sea-level. Well watered. Access by Ahaura-Kopara metalled dray-road, seven miles and a half from Ahaura Post and Telegraph Office and railway-station.

Section 3101, Block VII: Area, 269 acres 1 rood 38 perches. Capital value, £105. Half-yearly rent, £2 2s.

Comprises about 75 acres broken hilly country, remainder flat land carrying heavy bush consisting of birch, miro, and small pines from which all timber of commercial value has been cut out. Dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil very fair, of a sandy nature resting on gravel. Altitude, 830 ft. to 1,100 ft. above sea-level. Well watered by permanent streams. Access by Ahaura-Kopara metalled dray-road, eight miles from Ahaura Post and Telegraph Office and railway-station.

Section 3102, Block VII: Area, 374 acres 3 roods 8 perches. Capital value, £150. Half-yearly rent, £3.

Comprises about 30 acres broken spurs, remainder practically flat land, carrying heavy bush, consisting of birch, miro, &c., from which all timber of commercial value has been cut out. Dense undergrowth of mixed scrub. Soil poor to fair, of a sandy nature, resting on gravel. Well watered by permanent streams. Altitude, 900 ft. to 1,100 ft. above sea-level. Access by Ahaura-Kopara metalled dray-road, nine miles from Ahaura Post and Telegraph Office and railway-station.

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.
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 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.

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

T. CAGNEY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(L. and S. 9/2521.)