

owing to heavy rainfall. Soil is light loam on limestone and sandstone formation; watered by streams and springs. Ragwort is prevalent, but there are few rabbits. This property would make a suitable run-off.

(H.O. 31/83; D.O. M.L. 4089.)

Tauranga County.—Tauranga Survey District.

Section 6, Block XII: Area, 280 acres. Capital value, £200. Deposit on deferred payments, £10. Half-yearly instalment on deferred payments, £6 3s. 6d. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £4.

Weighted with £36 (to be paid in cash) for improvements, comprising outbuildings, 60 chains fencing, and shelter belts. This property, situated eleven miles from the Tauranga Post-office, is suitable for dairying and sheep-farming. Access is by ten miles metalled road and one mile clay; school bus passes property. Easy undulating to fairly steep country, broken in places, altitude 100 ft. to 500 ft. Sixty acres easy flats, 80 acres easy slopes and ploughable, balance fairly steep. Soil is light loam resting on pumice formation; watered by Ohouere Stream and creeks. Ragwort prevalent, but no rabbits. The Department will not provide better access than that already available.

(H.O. XI/1/1504; D.O. M.L. 4039.)

Any further particulars required may be obtained from the undersigned.

K. M. GRAHAM,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Education Reserve in Southland Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 13th August, 1940.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned property is open for selection on renewable lease (term, thirty-three years, with perpetual right of renewal at revaluation) under the Education Reserves Act, 1928, and the Land Act, 1924; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, 8th October, 1940.

Applicants should appear personally for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on Thursday, 10th October, 1940, at 10.30 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, and the successful applicant is required to pay immediately at conclusion of ballot a deposit comprising the first half-year's rent, broken-period rent, lease and mortgage fees, and deposit in reduction of weighting for improvements.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—EDUCATION RESERVE.

Southland County.—Hokonui Survey District.—Otago Mining District.

SECTION 6 of 404A, Block XI: Area, 251 acres 3 rods 38 perches. Capital value, £500; half-yearly rent, £10.

Weighted with £337 for improvements, comprising four-roomed cottage, barn, byre, shelter, and fencing. This sum is payable in cash, or, after payment of a deposit of £112, the balance may be secured on mortgage to the State Advances Corporation on twenty-year term, interest $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. reducible to $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent.; half-yearly instalment £8 13s. 7d. (gross). In the event of any selector being able to offer collateral security the Corporation will consider leaving the whole amount of loading on mortgage subject to the usual one-third margin of security being provided for.

The property is situated on the Longridge—Ardlussa Road, six miles and a half from Balfour Post-office, Railway, and Saleyards, and two miles from the Longridge School. Access is by metalled road to the gate. The area comprises 25 acres of flat land, the balance being undulating, ridgy land, broken by three gullies. The flat is of fair quality, but the balance is of poor quality light soil and includes 55 acres on the east side which is practically valueless and useless for grazing in its present condition. The property is adequately watered by permanent running streams.

Special Condition: This land is offered subject to the condition that no right to any mineral under the surface shall pertain to the lessee, and the lease shall except such minerals from all claims or right of the lessee and limit his right to the surface soil of the land comprised in the lease; and reserving always a right of ingress, egress, and regress to all persons lawfully engaged in working any such minerals.

Any further particulars required may be obtained from the undersigned.

THOS. CAGNEY,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(H.O. 20/851; D.O. 10/6; P.L. E.R. 646.)

STATE FOREST SERVICE NOTICE.

Milling-timber for Sale by Public Tender.

State Forest Service,
Rotorua, 13th August, 1940.

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, Rotorua, at 4 o'clock p.m. on Friday, 30th August, 1940.

SCHEDULE.

ROTORUA FOREST-CONSERVATION REGION.—AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

ALL that milling-timber specified in that area containing approximately 360 acres, situated in Block I, Tapapa East Survey District (portion of Provisional State Forest No. 35), about seventeen miles from Matamata Railway-station, or twenty miles from Tauranga Harbour.

The total estimated quantity of timber in cubic feet is 204,342, or in board feet 1,417,700, made up as follows:—

Species.	Cubic feet.	Board feet.
Rimu	193,872	1,347,800
Miro	10,266	68,450
Totara (<i>Podocarpus hallii</i>)	204	1,450
	204,342	1,417,700

Upset price: £2,388.

Time for removal of timber: Two years.

Terms of Payment.

A marked cheque for one-tenth of tender price, together with £1 ls. license fee, must accompany the tender, and the balance of the purchase money be paid in eighteen equal monthly instalments, the first of which shall be paid one month after date of sale.

Terms and Conditions.

1. All instalment-payments shall be secured by "on demand" promissory notes made and endorsed to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of State Forests, and interest at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum in excess of current bank-overdraft rates will be charged on all notes overdue from the date of maturity to the date of payment.

2. The right to cut and remove the timber will be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921-22, the regulations in force thereunder, and these conditions.

3. The aforementioned qualities, quantities, and kind as to the said timber shall be taken as sufficiently accurate for the purposes of this sale, and no contract for the purchase shall be voidable, nor shall the successful purchaser be entitled to any abatement in price, by reason of the said timber being of less quantity, quality, or kind as stated herein or in any advertisement having reference to the said timber.

4. A return giving the number of logs cut of each species and their contents must be made quarterly by the licensee on the last days of March, June, September, and December, respectively, in each year. A return must also be made on the same dates showing the output of sawn timber of each species. These returns may be ascertained and verified by inspection of the books of the mill, or by such other means as the Conservator may require, and for this purpose the accounts and books shall be open to the inspection of the Conservator, a Forest Ranger, or other duly authorized officer.

5. The attention of all tenderers is drawn to the fact that the local controlling body may require the successful tenderer to pay any claims or charges which may be made by that body for the maintenance of the road over which the timber may be transported, and before a sawmill license is issued a letter indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made in this connection must be produced to the undersigned.

6. Intending tenderers are expected to visit the locality and to satisfy themselves in every particular on all matters relative to the sale.

7. Each tenderer must state the total price that he is prepared to pay for the timber. The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and the timber described is submitted for sale subject to the final acceptance of the tender by the Commissioner of State Forests.

8. The right is reserved to the Commissioner of State Forests to withdraw from sale any or all of the said timber either before or after the closing date for receipt of tenders.

9. If no tender is accepted for the timber herein mentioned it will remain open for application for three months from the closing date of tenders.

10. Tenders should be on the special form obtainable from any office of the State Forest Service, and should be enclosed in envelopes addressed "Conservator of Forests, Rotorua," and endorsed "Tender for Timber."

The conditions, which will be inserted in the license to be issued to the purchaser, and further particulars may be obtained on application to the undersigned or to the Director of Forestry, Wellington.

W. T. MORRISON, Conservator of Forests.