

Has had a good deal of experience in farming and dairying and all-round work, and is following his occupation of a farmer at present. Is not married. Holds no other land. Has no partnership. Capital at his own absolute disposal, and did not borrow money to make application. He thinks he could satisfactorily work the section with the capital at his command.

Passed.

*Mr. C. J. Clarke:* Applicant for Section 100, Subdivision 27. States that he is twenty-one years of age. Has a capital of £200. His father finding money. Telegram required from manager of Bank of New South Wales guaranteeing £200. Has had a fair experience, having been on a farm for about nine years. Is not married. Holds no other section. Is free from debt. Considers that he could work section to advantage and make a living.

Passed.

*Mr. M. J. Piggott:* Applicant for Section 101, Subdivision 27. States that he has £260 in cash and stock, made up in the following way: Capital in bank, £60; owns five-roomed house at Karangahake, valued at £65; horse and some harness, £15; father promised to assist him to the extent of £100: total, £240. States that his father owns a farm at Bombay. Mr. Coleman, lawyer, Auckland, vouched for financial ability of applicant. Is a married man. Was reared in a farming district and managed his father's farm. Holds no other land. Is not in partnership with any one. Is free from debt. His bank-book showed that he had £63 in bank, and he said that he could raise £100 on mortgage if required. Felt confident that he could work the section to advantage if successful. Did not borrow any money to make application.

Passed.

*Mr. E. Heasman:* Applicant for Section 101, Subdivision 27. States that he has £100 in Post-Office Savings-Bank, and could realise about £50 on stock, horses, &c. Intends to go in partnership with son. Money in bank belongs to his son. Came from south, where he had 5 acres, suburban section. Has been employed at dairy-work for about twenty years. Has cash to the amount of £60 with him, and money at his own absolute disposal. Has been living on station for about five years. Information regarding financial position satisfactory. Considered he could work the section to advantage if successful. Did not borrow money to make application. Is free from debt, and has no interest in any other land.

Passed.

*Mr. T. P. Kemp:* Applicant for Section 101, Subdivision 27. States that he is thirty-three years old. Has been carpentering and farming at Onehunga. Has about £150 in cash, which is at his own absolute disposal. Holds no other land. Has been farming all his life. For last five years has been looking after his father's place at Onehunga—8 acres of orchard, rest growing potatoes, onions, &c. Understands milking. Did not borrow money to make application. Is free from debt.

Passed.

*Mr. J. H. Smith,* who applies for Section 100, Subdivision 27, was called, but did not appear.

*Mr. F. Lang:* Applied for Section 100, Subdivision 27. States that he has a capital of £200. The Acting-Consul of Austria could speak for him. It was arranged for him to attend at 11 o'clock.

The Secretary to the Consul attended, and said he knew applicant's relations, who were well-to-do, and that he was expecting money from Home. Of course, he could not guarantee anything, but thought that the applicant could be relied on to receive £200. His parents were dead. He had a brother a lawyer, and a brother-in-law in a large way in business as a jeweller in Vienna.

Applicant has had sixteen years' experience in agricultural and dairy farming, and studied scientific agriculture at the High School, Vienna. He has considerable knowledge of beet-root industry.

Commissioner: Is it the wish of the Board that this applicant be allowed to go to ballot?

Mr. Armstrong proposed that the application be thrown out, seconded by Mr. Greenslade.

Messrs. Harris and Renshaw supported the application, and, after considerable discussion, the motion was withdrawn, and it was decided to allow the applicant to go to ballot.

*Mr. A. C. Johnson:* Applicant for Section 100, Subdivision 27. States that he has capital of £100, but no stock or implements. Has experience of cows and general farm-work around Te Aroha. Has been working on the Matamata Estate. Bank-book shows the amount of £90 to his credit. Holds no other land. Is free from debt, and did not borrow money to make application. Is not in partnership, and considers he could work section and make a living.

Passed.

*Mr. J. John Reid:* Applicant for Section 70, Subdivision 56. Everything in connection with this application was considered to be in order, and the Board therefore passed it for ballot.

*Mr. M. G. Crossley:* Applicant for Section 153, Subdivision 57. Has no other land.

Land Board considered applicant in every way eligible, and passed for ballot.

*Mr. E. Jones:* Applicant for Section 14.

The Board found this application to be in order, and accordingly passed it for ballot. Approved finally.

*Mrs. Anna M. Price:* Applicant for Section 12, Subdivision 61.

The Board considered this application to be in order, and finally approved.

*Mr. J. McShean:* Applicant for Section 3, Subdivision 61.

The Board considered application in order, and approved.

*Mr. W. Ball:* Applicant for Section 15, Block II., Subdivision 1. States that he is thirty-three years old and has a capital of £536 in cash. Produced bank-book, which showed £536 14s. to his credit. Has had ten years' experience on agricultural land and dairying. Has also had general experience in sheep-raising. Has been managing a farm at Opotiki containing about 125 acres. Is not married. The capital is at his own absolute disposal, and was not borrowed to make application. No partnership. Has three horses and a plough, worth about £100. Holds no