

has now decided that Small Grazing-runs Nos. 17, 66, 45, and Lots 1 and 2 of 43, are to be subdivided for closer settlement and disposed of under the optional system.

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With regard to the runs to be resumed for closer settlement, please send me a certified schedule of the improvement values, to be entered upon our estimates for appropriation by Parliament. Of course these values will be loaded upon the respective lands resumed.

WM. KENSINGTON,
Under-Secretary.

S.G.R. 27/8. S.G.R. 43, Waingaromia S.D.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Napier, 14th May, 1908.

Mr. Robert G. Black, c/o Land Officer, Gisborne.

Lots 1 and 2, Run 42, Blocks XII and XVI, Waingaromia Survey District.

REFERRING to my memo. to you of the 18th February last, I have now to inform you that the Hon. the Minister of Lands has approved the recommendation of the Land Board that a lease of portion of the above holding, containing about 900 acres, be offered to you for a further term of twenty-one years on the same conditions as your present lease, and at an annual rental of about £79. I shall be glad to hear at your early convenience if you will accept this.

It has been decided that the balance is to be subdivided for closer settlement and offered under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892." Due notice fixing the date of opening same for selection, areas, prices, rentals, &c., will be given in the local newspapers.

You are required to give up possession of the areas to be subdivided on the 28th February, 1909.

The improvements on the whole of the run as at the 30th November last were valued at £13,743 7s. 6d., and this is the sum, subject to any necessary deductions or additions at the end of your lease, to which you are entitled in the event of not accepting the above offer.

H. G. PRICE,
For Commissioner of Crown Lands.

S.G.R. 27/9. S.G.R. No. 43, Waingaromia S.D.

DEAR SIR,—

Arakihi, Box 134, 1st June, 1908.

Under clause 79 of "The Lands Act, 1885," I wish to appeal against the decision of the Board concerning the lease of my Grazing-run 43, and ask for a rehearing of the case at the next meeting of your Board in Napier on the 12th June.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Hawke's Bay.

Yours, &c.,

ROBERT G. BLACK.

Extract from Land Board Proceedings relating to Small Grazing-run No. 43, Waingaromia Survey District.

Napier, 12th June, 1908.

THE following application for rehearing under section 52 of "The Land Act, 1892," was received:—

R. G. Black: Small Grazing-run 43, Waingaromia Survey District. Mr. Black, sen., waited on the Board; and, on the motion of Mr. Hyde, seconded by Mr. Bartram, it was decided to recommend for the favourable consideration of the Minister that, under the circumstances now disclosed, the former resolution herein be rescinded, and that Mr. Black be now offered a renewal of his lease in its entirety, as was done in the case of Small Grazing-run 42, Waingaromia Survey District, held by Mr. Hall.

S.G.R. 27/10. Run 43, Waingaromia S.D.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Napier, 12th June, 1908.

Mr. R. G. Black, Box 134, Gisborne.

Small Grazing-run No. 43, Waingaromia Survey District.

YOUR application for a rehearing, dated the 1st instant, herein was granted by the Land Board to-day, and, consequent on the representations of your father, who waited on the Board, it was decided to recommend for favourable consideration that you be offered a renewal of your lease over the whole of the land.

This recommendation will go forward in due course, and when a reply is received you will be further communicated with.

H. G. PRICE,

For Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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Department of Lands, Napier, 20th June, 1908.

Under-Secretary for Lands, Wellington.

Small Grazing-runs 43 and 45, Waingaromia, Poverty Bay.

I HAVE the honour to inform you that at the last meeting of the Land Board the following resolutions were passed:—