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# MARINE DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: FORESHORES REMOVAL OF MATERIAL  
AUCKLAND ADMINISTRATION DISTRICT. AREA NO. 7.

TAIRUA HARBOUR.

(COA 026 ~~12~~)

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20 May 1971

The County Clerk,  
Thames County Council,  
P.O. Box 409,  
THAMES.



Dear Sir,

**TAIRUA HARBOUR : SAND REMOVALS**

I have received from our Auckland Office a copy of your letter dated 28 April reference J.4 concerning the removal of sand from the harbour by Messrs Rope Construction and that your Council was also seeking a proportion of the royalty which is payable.

I regret that where Crown land is involved, foreshore and bed of the sea in this instance, it is not possible to divert the royalties to any other authority.

There are three cases only which have been approved and this has been on account of very special circumstances and each has been subject to a decision by Cabinet.

In view of the fact from our experience in other representations on such requests that there would be no likelihood of any diversion of royalties, it is necessary then that your Council seek other means of obtaining revenue and it seems that the only source is from the users of the harbour facilities although the collection problems would probably far outweigh the financial benefits let alone the fact that visitors to the area with boats could well be discouraged if charges were excessive or if there were considerable difficulty in making such payments which become a nuisance only to such persons even though the cost may be small.

It would appear that your Council will have to weigh-up the benefits of having the harbour well used and consequent benefit to the community generally, or to obtain revenue directly from the users without discrimination between them, e.g. it would not be fair to collect from owners of "resident boats" and to allow visitors to use the facilities free of charge.

Yours faithfully,

R.N. KERR  
Secretary for Marine

per:

  
(O.J. Conway)

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The District Officer,  
Marine Department,  
P.O. Box 1254,  
AUCKLAND.

**DISPATCHED**  
21 MAY 1971  
by \_\_\_\_\_

Copy for your information. Your reference 54/14/7.

R.N. KERR  
Secretary for Marine  
per:

(O.J. Conway)

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MARINE DEPARTMENT  
 HOME RECORDS  
 12 MAY 1971  
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Secretary for Marine  
 Marine Department,  
 WELLINGTON.

Copy for your information and action.

Application was made by Rope Shipping to remove 1500 cu yds of sand, from Tairua Harbour, in the area on either side of the sand spur in Grahams Creek, and the main channel, this area being specified by the M.O.W.

① The Thames County Council have agreed to the removal, but have made a request for a proportion of the royalty payable to the Crown. (to quote Mangawai - see folio 2.)

② The reference to Mangawai Harbour is not clear, as no proportion of royalty is paid to the Local Authority, although in recent weeks I have ascertained that the Northland Harbour Board seem to received some payment from the Tug owners.

Enclosed for your decision and advise copies of correspondence received.

B.E. TURNER,  
 District Officer.

*D. Greig*

*Answer NO! but do we have any suggestions as to how the County should obtain some revenue for the operation of wharf; the heapev etc. & the County here control (fishers' waters) & could charge dues etc.*

Per : D. Greig.

ENCLOSURE RECEIVED  
 12 MAY 1971  
 BY *h*

54/14/7

J.4.

P.O. Box 1254,  
AUCKLAND.

7 May 1971

The County Clerk,  
Box 409,  
THAMES.

Dear Sir,

**SAND REMOVALS TAIRUA HARBOUR**

Thank you for your letters of 26.4.71 and 28.4.71 in which you advise agreement to the controlled removal of sand from a specified area of Tairua Harbour.

With regard to the payment to your Council of a proportion of the royalty charged by the Crown for such removals, this is a matter for a decision by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and your request will be referred to my Head Office, Wellington for decision of which you will be informed in due course.

Yours faithfully,

B.E. TURNER,  
District Officer.

The Commissioner of Works,  
Ministry of Works  
Private Bag,  
HAMILTON.

Per : D. Greig.

Your 47/16 of 5.4.71 refers.

The Thames County Council have advised that they have no objection to the controlled removal of 1500 cu yds of sand from the specified area of Tairua Harbour.

Your firm recommendation is urgently requested.

The control of removals may present some problems as the Harbourmaster acts as the local school master and may not be qualified to accept such a responsibility.

B.E. TURNER,  
District Officer.

Per : D. Greig.

# Thames County Council

GJD:EWM

In reply please quote

Telephone No. 9  
P.O. Box 409

Council Chambers  
314 Mary Street  
THAMES.

J.4

28 April 1971

The District Officer,  
Marine Department,  
P.O. Box 1254,  
AUCKLAND



Dear Sir,

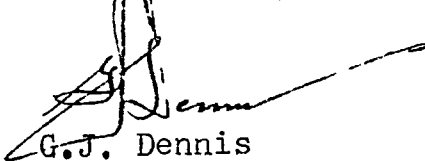
## Tairua Harbour

Further to your letter 54/14/7 of the 13 April and my reply of the 26 instant I wish to enquire whether the Council could be allowed a proportion of the royalty which will be payable by Messrs. Rope Construction on the sand to be removed from the harbour.

The Council at present receives no regular income from those who use the harbour to assist with the provision and maintenance of the wharf, beacons and other harbour facilities. It would therefore be of great assistance to the Council if your Department would agree to allow the Council to receive a proportion of the revenue from royalties as in the case of the Mangawai Harbour. ??

Would you be prepared to consider a similar arrangement for Tairua?

Yours faithfully,

  
G.J. Dennis  
COUNTY CLERK

# Thames County Council

GJD:EWM

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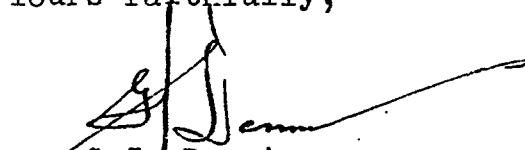
Dear Sir,

Tairua Harbour

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter 54/14/7 of 13 April concerning the removal of sand by Messrs. Rope Construction and to advise that this was placed before the Council at its recent meeting.

The Council there directed me to inform you that it would have no objection to the controlled removal of 1500 cubic yards per annum, or more if required, from that part of the harbour referred to in your letter.

Yours faithfully,

  
G.J. Dennis  
COUNTY CLERK





M 4/1911

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APB/NB

4/1911  
copy on 4/2790


14th October, 1954.

Mr. H. Rowbotham,  
Secretary,  
Tairua Progressive Association,  
Via WAIHI

Dear Sir,

With reference to the second paragraph of your letter of the 8th instant asking if this Department could advise you whether any person has or has had a permit to remove shell from the bed of the Tairua Harbour, I have to inform you that no permit has been issued by this Department from Wellington. You should however apply to the Superintendent of Mercantile Marine, P.O. Box 1254, Auckland and ascertain if that officer has issued such a permit.

Yours faithfully,


  
(W.C. Smith)  
SECRETARY FOR MARINE.



MEMORANDUM for:-

The Supt. Merc. Marine,  
P.O. Box 1254, AUCKLAND.

For your information. It might be that this material is being moved illegally.

  
Secretary for Marine.  
14.10.54.



File  
14.10.54



# CERTIFICATE

Issued under the provisions of the  
International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1929

ISSUED BY THE  
MARINE DEPARTMENT,  
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The undersigned declares that he is duly authorized by the said Government to issue this certificate.

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T/K.

M. <sup>4</sup>  
SERIES 1011  
Sub-No. 1911

21st June, 1926.

Messrs. Winstone Ltd.,  
P.O. Box 400,  
AUCKLAND.

Sirs,

Adverting to your letter of the 3rd ult. regarding removal of sand and shingle from certain localities, I have to point out that licenses have now been issued in respect of all the localities referred to with the exception of Fairua. You will recall that in this locality it was arranged that you were to make a test of the banks or bed of the harbour for suitable sand before submitting a definite application.

I shall be glad if you will let me know whether the test has yet been carried out.

If you decide to proceed with an application for this locality it will be necessary for you to forward me a written application, together with a plan of the Harbour showing approximately the area over which dredging rights are desired.

Yours faithfully,

G. C. GODFREY,

Secretary.

*But 4/10  
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17.9.26*

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Despatched *M.F.*

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not to proceed with applica*

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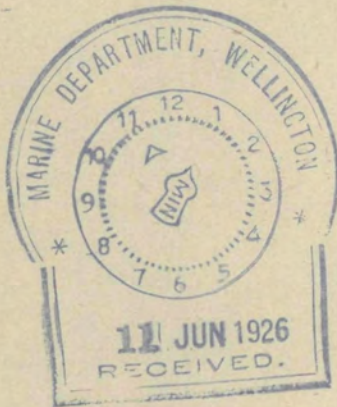
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11/6/26

Marine Auckland

Matter removal shingle from Stoney Bay Helena Bay Whangaruru Waipu and Tairua negotiated here by Craig and Winstone Orders in Council not yet issued Expected to be dealt with meeting Council on Monday

Secretary Marine



NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.

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Ackgd. by

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TELEGRAM.

DEPARTMENT, WELLINGTON

Checked By

11 JUN 1926

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Tel. 141

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+ SECRETARY MARINE WELLINGTON +

*copy on m #1925 (Helena Bay)*

CRAIG INFORMS ME GIVEN PERMISSION BY MR. TANNER DREDGE  
TAIRUA (AND REMOVE MATERIAL HELENA BAY) AND OTHER  
PLACES IS THIS CORRECT CANNOT UNDERSTAND MY NOT  
BEING NOTIFIED IT MAKES MATTERS AWKWARD FOR ME

*m 4  
1926*

+ ATWOOD ++

*marine. Auckland. 11. 6. 26*

T/K.

Hon. Minister:

Adverting to my minute of 21st April last and your approval of 28th, in connection with the applications from Messrs. J. J. Craig and Winstone, Ltd., for licenses to remove shingle and sand from Stoney Bay, Whangaruru, Helena Bay, and Waipu, I attach hereto the necessary Advices (4) to His Excellency the Governor-General for your signature.

Secretary.

*Original  
on m 4  
1985*

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SUB-NO. 19117

Winstone Limited  
Carriers, etc.  
P.O.Box 400,  
AUCKLAND, 3rd May, 1926.

The Secretary of Marine,  
WELLINGTON.

*Tairua*

Dear Sir,

We acknowledge receipt of yours of the 30th ultimo, and hereby have pleasure in agreeing to Mr. Phillips' request, namely that the permits in respect of Whangaruru and Stoney Bay be made out in the name of Messrs J.J.Craig, Ltd., whilst the permits for Helena Bay and Tairua Channel be issued in the name of Winstone Limited.

Estimated quantities: We estimate that Craigs and ourselves conjointly, will take annually the following approximate quantities:

*m 4  
1985*

Stoney Bay and Shag Bay: The quantity from these beaches is very light owing to the treacherous nature of same, and we estimate the quantity from these two beaches will be 800 yards per annum. Both these beaches are very exposed, and it will be only an odd load when the weather permits, that we will be able to take from there.

*m 4  
1986*

Helena Bay: There is a large deposit in this Bay, and if our projected scheme of working this bay is successful we should take at least 10,000 yards per annum, probably considerably more.

*m 4  
1697*

Whangaruru: We will use to load when we cannot get into Helena Bay, and we estimate the quantity from this beach per annum to be at least 2000 yards.

Tairua: This depends upon the quality of the sand in the centre of the Channel, and until we have tested same, it will be impossible for us to give you the estimated quantity per annum.

Yours faithfully,  
WINSTONE LIMITED.  
sd.S.Winstone, Jnr.  
Director.

C O P Y.

J. J. CRAIG LTD.,

P. O. Box 1534,  
A U C K L A N D.

3rd May, 1926.

*Original on*

*m 4/1955.*

The Secretary,  
Marine Department,  
WELLINGTON.

Dear Sir,

We desire to reply to your enquiries of the 30th ultimo as follows:-

Taking the Deposits in the same order as they appear in your letter.

The quantity we shall remove from Tairua will depend upon the success met with when experiments are carried out with our Mechanical Grab, but assuming this method to be satisfactory, three to five hundred yards per month.

*m 4/1955*  
STONY AND SHAG BAYS. Weather permitting fifty to eighty yards per month.

*m 4/1926*  
MIMIHA. We propose to endeavour to work this deposit with a drag line scoop arrangement, which if successful will enable us to remove say, up to 1,000 yards or more per month.

*m 4/1894*  
WHANGARURU. We believe that we shall probably remove at least 200 yards per month from this deposit.

*m 4/1482*  
WAIPU. Immediately we are able to rearrange our plant we propose to concentrate chiefly on this deposit for our sand requirements, thereby discontinuing the use of Manukau sand and therefore when we get going will probably remove upwards of 1,000 yard per month.

We trust the foregoing will suffice for your requirements, and desire to remain,

Yours faithfully,

J. J. Craig Ltd.

*Messrs. Winstone, Auckland 22-6-26*  
(Sgd.)

GENERAL MANAGER.



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The Secretary of Marine,  
WELLINGTON.

*Auckland* 30th April, 1926.

Dear Sir,

All Contracts and Agreements Contingent on Strikes, Ashore or Afloat, and Causes beyond our Control.

We hereby beg to confirm our verbal application for a grant to dredge sand from the Tairua River Channel, on terms suggested by you on 20th instant.

Yours faithfully,  
WINSTONE LIMITED.

Director.

GW.NH

C/K.

M. SERIES 4  
SUB-No. 7

1911

Hon. Minister:

Messrs. George Winstone of Messrs. Winstone, Limited, and W. Philips, Manager of Messrs. J. J. Craig and Company, called on me this morning to verbally submit applications for the sole right to take shingle and, or, sand, from various areas, which they propose to work under mutual arrangement.

In order that the matter may be comprehensively understood, I submit all the cases in one memorandum, they are as follows:-

STONEY BAY AND SHAG BAY: This area is to the eastward of Cape Colville, Coromandel Peninsula. Both bays abut on to the property of Henry Bronlund. Stoney Bay is not workable in bad weather and even in fine weather the vessel would have to lie clear of the beach and obtain the shingle by means of grabs. Shag Bay is very much more sheltered.

Messrs. Winstone Limited, and J. J. Craig, Limited, have signed an agreement with Henry Bronlund by which they pay him a royalty on all shingle removed, although the shingle is not his property. This sounds peculiar, but there is reason for it in that by grabbing the material below the tide mark they will let the shingle above high-water - which is Bronlund's - down below, and this would immediately bring an opposition claim for damage against the removers, and possibly against the Department. By paying Bronlund they are keeping him quiet.

I negotiated a tentative right at 1/- a yard royalty to the Department.

WHANGARURU (a small harbour to the north of Whangarei):

In this case a number of Natives who own the adjoining land have entered into an arrangement with Messrs. J. J. Craig and Winstone, Limited, by which the firms pay the Natives a royalty for much the same reason as mentioned in the previous case, but more particularly so because they will eventually, by

dredging as close in as they can, cause the Natives' shingle, of which there is a great quantity back of the high tide mark, to fall into the sea. Whatever shingle is taken from this area we will be paid royalty on, whether it comes from above or below. The agreement is to be confirmed by the Maori Land Board before it becomes effective, and the royalty for the Natives is to be paid to the Board and distributed by it.

In this case I negotiated a royalty of 1s.3d. on all shingle, whether above or below, and insisted on the right, which was agreed to, to stop removals from a strip of land which is rather narrow and low-lying, at any time that the Department thought fit.

Of course if the Maori Land Board does not confirm the tentative agreement entered into between the Maoris and the firms then the matter falls through.

TAIRUA (a harbour on the East Coast of the Oromandel Peninsula):

The application made was for permission to take sand from the shore on the southern side, the adjoining property being owned by R. H. Sheppard, Junr, who has entered into a tentative agreement with Messrs. Craig, Ltd.

Enquiry which was made into the advisability of removal of this sand some little time ago showed that it was not advisable to permit it to be removed from the point in question because it would widen the entrance, decrease the velocity of the ebb tide running through, and consequently cause the channel to shoal. It was then mutually arranged that the application should be limited to permission to dredge in the channel itself, which of course will improve matters considerably. The rate negotiated was 3d. a yard which is the same price as is paid the Auckland Harbour Board for Manukau sand, which of course is very much nearer the market.

HELENA BAY, north of Whangarei:

In this case Mr. R. E. Le Clerc, owner of the adjoining land, has entered into an agreement with Winstone, Ltd.,

by which they pay him a royalty on all shingle and sand removed. The removers will eventually work into Le Clere's land. As this will mean working through a road reserve above high-water mark - although it is somewhat doubtful if the road will ever be formed - I required Winstones to give an undertaking, in which Le Clere will have to join, indemnifying this Department from any claim by the Lands Department and agreeing to provide an equivalent area out of the remaining Le Clere land should ever a road be required. This was agreed to.

In this case the royalty was tentatively negotiated at 1/- a yard on everything, wherever it came from.

WAIPU:

In this case Kenneth McAuley has entered into an agreement with Messrs. J. J. Craig, Ltd, for the right to remove sand or shingle from the foreshore fronting his section. There is some doubt as to the wisdom of allowing this removal. A great deal of money has been spent in maintaining and narrowing the river and estuary, which, as you know, is used for navigation, and it is possible that removals may have an adverse effect. I told Mr. Philips, of Winstone, Ltd., that I would not move further in the matter until such time as they met Mr. McEennis, District Engineer at Whangarei, and also the Waipu Road Board, and some mutual arrangement was arrived at.

Mr. McEennis has been advised accordingly and I will await his report before proceeding further.

You are aware that I have concluded the most satisfactory method from the Department's point of view is to give one firm who has the necessary plant and shipping, a sole right of a particular area. This, however, is only practicable, or at any rate politic, where the adjoining owner is also tied into the arrangement. As the remover comes to us with the agreement already entered into with the adjoining owner it relieves the Department from any criticism of favouring any particular firm. In every one of these cases, you will observe, the firms have come

to us with such agreement.

I may add that I had got this far in the negotiations when I discovered that the firm, although they had not got the agreement, wanted certain other areas, but I declined to consider the granting of any more, so that other firms might have an opportunity of making similar arrangements. Furthermore, areas should be left which are open to any of the small men.

Mr. Philips, of Winstone, Limited, was definitely informed that all that I have said here was tentative and subject to your approval, and that I would advise them of the result as early as possible.

With regard to price, I think that having regard to what we got in other places, to the distance which the beaches are from the main market, that the price tentatively negotiated is a satisfactory one from the Department's point of view.

Secretary.

Secretary of Marine  
Wellington

April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1926

Dear Sir:-

This will serve to advise you that I have today agreed to grant Messrs J. Craig & Auckland the sole right for a period of five years (5 yrs) to continue thereafter until cancelled on six month written notice by either party, to remove sand from ~~between~~ ~~to~~ above high water mark from the foreshore abutting my property, Haina, as shown on plan attached.

Yours faithfully,  
R.H. Sheppard Jnr.

Permission take  
from Stephens  
not agreed to on  
objections

Permission

granted re road

by dredging channel  
in

only

and only

to a yard

Marshall

price to HB

to

TA.M.W.

M <sup>4</sup>/<sub>1911</sub>

9th. April.

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*The Secretary  
of your information  
Should Phillips call inform you  
LA*

The Manager.

Messrs J. J. Craig Limited.  
Auckland.

S. N. 13/370.

**COPY.**

Re Tairua Foreshore at Entrance to River.

Reverting to our conversation of this morning's date, in which you informed me that the Secretary for Marine was willing to grant you a permit to remove sand from below High Water Mark, O.S.T. at Tairua Bay, abutting the Crown Reserve, provided you obtained a letter from Mr. Shepherd in your favour, I have now to state that my latest instructions are that on no account is sand to be removed from this locality. Therefore you will quite understand that until I receive instructions to the contrary to open the beach, I cannot do so, besides from enquiries I have made from ship-masters, there is a possibility that if sand is removed from the locality, the depth at the entrance to the River would be reduced and cause the channel to shift.

I understand that you will be calling upon the Secretary for Marine next week, so no doubt you will discuss the matter fully with him.

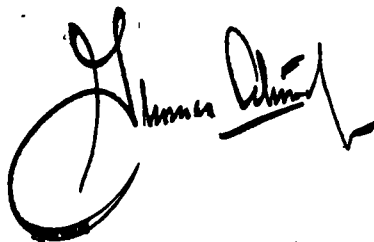
As Mr. Shepherd does not own the land abutting the foreshore, the Reserve belonging to the Crown, I do not see that he has anything to do with the material being removed from below High Water Mark, as the Reserve which runs between his land and the foreshore would hold his land up and serve as a natural protection.

Unfortunately the inspection of these beaches is now taken out of my hands, and you will readily understand it is



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very hard for me to pronounce definitely whether damage is likely to accrue or not, unless I personally inspect it.



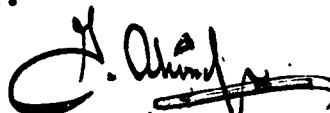
Superintendent.

COPY.

Note:

The Secretary.

I think, if it is correct what Mr. Phillips tells me that you contemplate opening this foreshore and Reserve, that if I cannot inspect it, a Civil Engineer should inspect the locality as it would never do to interfere with the navigation of the channel.

  
Superintendent.

COPY.

Original on 4/1925

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1911

AUCKLAND, 9th April, 1926.

G. C. Godfrey, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Marine Dept.  
WELLINGTON.

Dear Sir,

Further to our letter of the 6th inst. we desire to mention that we have obtained the approval of the following land owners to remove SHINGLE from the foreshore of their property, in which connection we propose to arrange, if possible, with your Department for approval for the removal of SAND and SHINGLE below high-water mark.

~~H. Bronlund, Stoney Bay, Cape Colville.~~

~~Le  
B. R./Clere, Mimha Beach, Helena Bay.  
Block 1, Section 1, Opouwhanga S.D.~~

~~R. H. SHEppard, Junr., Section 5, Block 14, Whitianga  
S.D., Tairua.~~

~~Kenneth McAulay, Section 368, 360, 361, 89 & 90, Waipu Riding,  
Whangarei County.~~

~~Native Owners of all land between the Western end of Whangaruru,  
Whakaturia Block, to the Southern Boundary on Keri Keri, Pawhao,  
B. Block.~~

Yours faithfully,

J. J. CRAIG, Ltd.,

(SGD). W. A. RUTTER,

General Manager.

COPY.

Original on 4/19/25

P.O. BOX 1534,

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1911

AUCKLAND, 7th April, 1926.

G. C. Godfrey, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Marine Department,  
WELLINGTON.

Dear Sir,

recent  
Pursuant to the writer's call upon you in Wellington and our subsequent correspondence, we are now pleased to advise that during the Easter Holidays we made a special trip to obtain the particulars, including the land-owners' consent to remove shingle from the deposits discussed with you.

We are now desirous of meeting you in Wellington on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday of next week, at 10 a.m. and would be glad to learn by return of post if any of these days will suit you. If not will you kindly appoint another time and day early in the following week convenient to yourself.

Messrs. Winstone Ltd., are also interested in one or two propositions with ourselves, and Mr. George Winstone will therefore, accompany the writer.

Yours faithfully,

J. J. CRAIG LTD.,

(SGD.) W. A. RUTTER,

General Manager.

P.S. The first two days of next week, 13th and 14th. would suit us best.

T/K.

M. Serial 4  
Sub-No. 1911  
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23rd March, 1926.

The Superintendent,  
Mercantile Marine,  
AUCKLAND.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your memo 13/370 of the 15th inst. regarding the removal of sand from the sandspit on the southern side of the entrance to Tairua Harbour, and in reply have to inform you that your action in closing the beach against removals is approved.

I enclose herewith a calico notice which you should forward to Mr. Cory Wright and request him to have it erected at the spot marked on the tracing, and from which scows have been in the habit of removing.

23 MAR 1926  
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G. C. GODFREY,  
Secretary.

MEMORANDUM.

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Government Shipping Office,

15th March, 1926.

From

The Superintendent, Mercantile Marine,  
Auckland.

To The secretary,  
Marine Department,  
Wellington.

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MEMORANDUM No. S.M. 13/370.



I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Memorandum of the 12th. instant, re prohibiting removal of sand from the foreshore at Tairua, in reply I have to state that the enclosed is a copy of a letter received from Messrs Cory-Wright Bros of Tairua, and that upon the receipt of this letter, the Superintendent considered it wise to close this beach.

*Mr Godfrey  
Referred  
18.3.26*

*Wrote N.*

Actg. Superintendent.



*Mr Godfrey  
Capt Bollons says sand  
should not be taken  
from spot indicated  
where scaws remain  
20.3.26  
16  
Supt. M. M. Auckland. 23-3-26*

*Mr Tanner  
Thea matters cannot  
be decided on the  
opinion of some  
person in the district  
so far steps has  
been taken to  
satisfy himself  
that the beach should  
be closed  
19.3.26*

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COPY.

Tairua.  
East Coast.  
AUCKLAND.

December. 8th. 1925.

Captain Atwood,  
Marine Superintendent.  
AUCKLAND.

Dear Sir,

Regarding Mr. Cory Wright's conversation with you last week with regard to the removal of sand from the sand-spit, at Tairua.

For the last twelve months or so scows have been coming in for sand and the steamer channel is changing its position and also getting considerably shallow. We attribute this to the removal of sand from the spit. We have been resident at Tairua for the past thirteen years and the channel has shifted and shallowed more in the last twelve months than in the previous twelve years.

We would ask that the Department take steps to stop the removal of sand as we consider that it is affecting the harbour.

We enclose a rough sketch of the harbour.

yours faithfully,

(Sgd). CORY WRIGHT

COPY.

- COPY -

Rock  
Headland

\* beacon

Spit  
covered at  
High tide

bank forming  
here

High water mark  
I have reserved from high water

Scoops are  
removing mud  
from here

Sand hills  
Shepherd

Sand bank  
covered at  
High water

Sand bank forming  
here

Sand bank  
covered at  
High water

Channel

to wharf about  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  mile





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M.A. SERIES  
CLASS-NO.  
1911

12th March, 1926.

MEMORANDUM for:

The Superintendent  
of Mercantile Marine,  
AUCKLAND.

It has been reported to me that you have prohibited the removal of sand from the foreshore at Tairua.

I shall be glad, if such is the case, to have a report from you on the matter, together with particulars of any correspondence you have had in regard to it.

G. C. GODFREY,

Secretary.

12 MAR 1926  
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