

25th June, 1878.

Re Reclamation Dunedin Harbour: Mr. Blackett desires that the words in his memorandum, a copy of which was sent in my letter of the 28th instant—viz., “the original plan, *i.e.*”—be cancelled, as on reference to the plan he finds these words only apply to that part opposite Steamers’ Basin. This will make meaning of memorandum clear.

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board, Dunedin.

R. JOHNSON.

Dunedin, 25th June, 1878.

CANCELLING the words mentioned does not make it clear. Cancelling the words that follow—viz., “*i.e.*, 500 feet, &c.”—would. The walling has been already run from Anderson’s Bay Road, on line of Castle Street, to close on Steamers’ Basin, as on original plan. This is 800 feet from Crawford Street. Is Board to understand that the Government will require the Board to undo all this work that it sanctioned and they, the Board, carried out at a cost of some thousands of pounds, and that will take as much to undo it?

JOHN L. GILLIES,

Secretary.

The Officer in Charge, Marine Department.

26th June, 1878.

IN reply to your telegram of this day, it is considered that cancellation of words mentioned makes Sir John Coode’s meaning clear, which is all that was intended; but, as reclamation has apparently been carried beyond the line indicated, a tracing had better be sent here showing state of the works, with explanatory memorandum.

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board.

R. JOHNSON.

No. 27.

The SECRETARY, Otago Harbour Board, to the Hon. the COMMISSIONER of CUSTOMS.

SIR,—

Otago Harbour Board Office, Dunedin, 6th November, 1876.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Secretary of Customs’ favour, No. 110-14, 25th November, 1876, intimating the assent of His Excellency the Governor in Council, as required by “The Harbour Works Act, 1874,” to plans and specifications of proposed wharves at Dunedin, subject, however, to alterations noted in memoranda by Mr. Blackett, Marine Engineer, copy of which was also enclosed.

I am instructed to say that the Board concurs in the alterations.

I have, &c.,

JOHN L. GILLIES,

Secretary.

The Hon. the Commissioner of Customs, Wellington.

No. 28.

Mr. H. S. McKELLAR to the SECRETARY, Otago Harbour Board.

Customs Department (Marine Branch), Wellington,

SIR,—

1st November, 1878.

I have the honor, by direction of the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs, to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the plan of harbour works to be executed at the Port of Dunedin forwarded with your letter of the 6th ultimo.

I am to draw your attention to section 33 of “The Marine Act, 1867,” as amended by section 2 of “The Harbour Works Act, 1874,” which requires detail plans and specifications to be laid before the Governor in Council before the works are commenced.

I have, &c.,

H. S. McKELLAR,

(For Secretary of Customs.)

The Secretary, Otago Harbour Board, Dunedin.

No. 29.

IN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

Customs Department (Marine Branch), Wellington, 28th October, 1875.

HIS Excellency the Governor is advised to approve, under the powers vested in him under “The Marine Act, 1867,” and “The Harbour Works Act, 1874,” of the accompanying plan of harbour works to be executed at the Port of Dunedin.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

Approved in Council, 29th October, 1875.

FORSTER GORING,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

No. 30.

The SECRETARY, Otago Harbour Board, to the Hon. the COMMISSIONER of CUSTOMS.

SIR,—

Otago Harbour Board Office, Dunedin, 6th October, 1875.

I have the honor to transmit, for the assent of His Excellency the Governor in Council, as required by “The Harbour Works Act, 1874,” the plan of improvements for Dunedin Harbour as adopted by the Otago Harbour Board at its meeting yesterday.