

Office of Inspector of Mines,  
(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

Dunedin, April 11th, 1901., 189

MEMORANDUM NO.

The Chairman,  
Vincent County Council,  
Clyde.

Sir,

i have to direct your attention to the position of the Vincent Dredge which, on the 27th ulto., was working in close proximity to the Clyde Traffic Bridge over the Clutha River and was within the 5 chain limit allowed bylaw. i have to refer you to Section 16 of Act "The Mining Act Amendment Act, 1899" "provisions for protection of bridges and sites therefor from damage." and i have to request that you give this matter your immediate attention.

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I am  
Yours truly  
G.R. Green  
Inspector of Mines.

Robert  
Green

In your reply

Mines  
1901-452.

Quote this number in the margin.

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Mines Department,

Wellington, N.Z., 24th April 1904

The Chairman,  
Vincent County Council,

C L Y D E.

The Inspector of Mines having brought under notice that the Vincent Dredge was working in close proximity to the Clyde Bridge across the Clutha River, I am directed by the Hon. Minister of Mines to request that a copy of any written consent shewing the terms upon which Mining operations were authorised to be carried on within the limit of five chains of the bridge, as required by Section 16 of "The Mining Act Amendment Act 1899 may be forwarded for the information of the Government.

Recd  
21/5/04

*[Signature]*  
Under-Secretary.



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Clyde, 25<sup>th</sup> March, 1901.

The Chairman of  
The Vincent County Council,  
Clyde.

Sir,

re Clyde dredging Co. & Mr. Hyde.

In the month of July in last year I made an application to your Council on behalf of the Clyde Dredging Company Ltd. for your Council's consent to that Company receiving a grant for a small claim close to the Alexandra Bridge.

Mr. Hyde was the local director of the Company and it was by his instructions I made the application.

The Clyde Company holding the Moa claim adjoining had traced the gold running into this piece of ground, and had its dredge at hand waiting for permission.

Your Council, I understand through some misapprehension, refused that application.

In October last Mr. Hyde without notice to the Clyde Company or to me its Solicitor pegged out the same small claim beside the Bridge again, but this time applied for it in his own name. He also applied to your Council for your consent to his getting the claim.

I am satisfied that all the members of

your Council understood that the last application was for the benefit of the Clyde Dredging Co., and under this belief your Council carried a resolution in favor of granting it. Dr. Hyde now claims the claim granted is for himself. I am quite sure your Council would never knowingly have been party to so unjust a thing as to refuse an application by the first applicant, a Company which had proved by its workings the value of the ground, and then to grant the application of a later applicant who was himself a director of the Company, and in making the application was using the knowledge he had gained as such director as to the ground.

As it is evident your Council was under a misapprehension when resolving in favor of Dr. Hyde's Application, and that under this mistake your Council meant to do one thing while Dr. Hyde meant you to do another, I now on behalf of the Clyde Dredging Co. have to request you to do away with the mistake by revoking the consent given by your Council to Dr. Hyde being permitted to get a claim close to the Alexandra Bridge, or to mine within 5 Chains of said Bridge.

Yours Obediently,  
Robt. Gilkison.



Clyde, 24<sup>th</sup> July, 1900.

The Chairman and Councillors of  
The Vincent County, Clyde,  
Gentlemen,

I am instructed by The Clyde Dredging Co. Ltd.  
to apply to you for your consent to their getting Claim  
below the Alexandra Bridge as begged off by them.

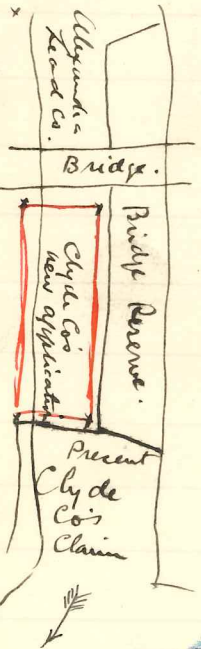
The reason of your consent being necessary is that the  
Claim is so near the Bridge.

The Application however is only for the spare ground not  
included in the Bridge Reserve. I enclose copy of the  
Application for your information. The Bridge Reserve was  
surveyed and granted recently at your request, and I  
understand includes all the land that your Engineer  
considers it necessary to have reserved. My clients apply  
for the portion of the River &c. outside your Reserve, and  
immediately adjoining the Clyde Company's Claim.

The Alexandra Head Co. are applying for ground also  
outside your Reserve, and outside our pegs, to which my  
clients do not object.

Yours Obediently,  
Robt. Gilkison

Solicitor for The Clyde Dredg. Co. Ltd.



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Under "The Mining Act, 1898."

Application for License for a Claim.

To the WARDEN of the Otago Mining District,  
at Alexandria

(1) Full name, occupation, and residence.

PURSUANT to "The Mining Act, 1898," the undersigned (1)  
The Clyde Dredging Company Limited of Dunedin

(2) Special dredging claim, extended quartz claim, or otherwise, as the case may be.

hereby applies for a license for a Extended Dredging Claim  
as specified in the Schedule hereto, in respect of the land therein referred to, which has been duly marked out for the purpose.

Address for service: 6/10 Robt. Gilkison Solicitor Clyde

Date and number of miner's right: 3 1/2 - 15/2/00

Dated this fourth day of June, 1900.

SCHEDULE.

| Locality where Land is situated, and its Area.   | Proposed Term of License. | Style under which Claim is to be worked.  | Proposed Mode of Working. | Remarks.   |
|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|
| <u>Mohunau River below Alexandria Bridge being a portion of South Western Bank and part of River adjoining thereto Length about 5 chains extending from the bank 3 1/2 chains into the river at S.W. end and 2 1/2 at N.E. end 5 acres</u> | <u>42 years</u>           | <u>The Clyde Dredging Company Limited</u> | <u>Dredging</u>           | <u>Preliminary Hearing applied for pegs marked X The two angles in the river are indicated by pegs standing on the S.W. Bank</u> |

(3) A.B., or, as the case may be, A.B., by his Solicitor or Registered Agent, C.D.

Signature of Applicant: (3) The Clyde Dredging Company Ltd.  
by its Solicitor Robt. Gilkison

(4) Insert date and time—e.g., 24th July, 1899, at 2.30 p.m.

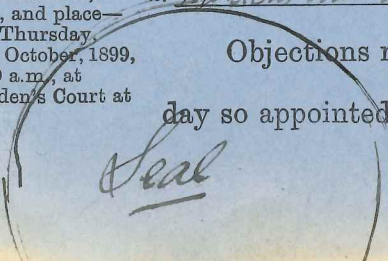
Precise time of filing of the foregoing application: (4) 10 a.m. 7 June 1900

(5) Insert date, time, and place—e.g., Thursday, 10th October, 1899, at 10 a.m., at Warden's Court at

Time and place appointed for the hearing of the application, and all objections thereto:  
Monday the ninth day of July 1900 at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon at the Warden's Court at Alexandria being the time and place fixed by the Warden for the preliminary hearing

Objections must be filed in Court and notified to applicant at least two days before the day so appointed.

Frederick Jeffery  
Mining Registrar.



MALCOLM MACDONALD,  
BARRISTER & SOLICITOR,  
ALEX.

Alexandra  
24<sup>th</sup> July 1900

The Chairman of the  
Vincent County Council  
Clyde

Sir,

On behalf of the Alexandra Lead & Gold Dredging Co<sup>l</sup> I am instructed to apply to you under sec<sup>n</sup> 16. ss (11) of the Mining Act Amendment Act 1899 for permission to acquire a mining privilege (now being applied for) to carry on mining operations within two chains of the Alexandra Bridge. On behalf of the Company I undertake that the tailings shall be thrown in such a manner as to form a breakwater & so ward off the water from the piers of the bridge - such breakwater will be no less than 20 feet high & will thus be a protection to the bridge. The dredge will not approach nearer to the bridge than 130 feet as its elevator (100 feet long) will prevent this.

Awaiting your reply

I have the honor to be Sir

Yours Obedient Servant

Malcolm Macdonald

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# Memorandum

*In your reply*  
284/615  
*Please quote this number.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
District Office, Dunedin, 7th May, 1897.

To

The Chairman,  
Vincent County Council,  
Clyde.

In reply to letter of the 24th ulto, applying to have a portion of the Clutha River, at the Alexandra Bridge, made a Bridge Reserve, I have to inform you that upon a proper survey being furnished, the Board will recommend that the reserve be made as requested.

*R. A. Johnston.*  
Secretary to Land Board.