

Any further communication should be addressed to:—

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY,
(HARBOUR DEPARTMENT),
BOARD OF TRADE,
7, WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S.W.

And the following letter and number should be quoted:—

H. 1272.

Telegraphic Address.

BOARD TRADE, HARBOUR,
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BOARD OF TRADE,

(HARBOUR DEPARTMENT),

7, WHITEHALL GARDENS,

LONDON, S.W.

29th January, 1913.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 15th November last relative to the claim advanced by the Dornoch Burgh Council to certain foreshore below High Water Mark adjacent to the Burgh, I am directed by the Board of Trade to request that you will point out to the Council that all the foreshore of the United Kingdom belongs prima facie to the Crown and that if whatever may be the way in which the question arises any subject claims part of it, it is for him to prove his title to it either by an express grant from the Crown or by indefinite grant and prescription.

I am also to state that the acts of possession by the Council over the foreshore in question detailed in the documents furnished by you in support of the claim do not appear to the Board to be of the exclusive character which have been held necessary in previous cases to prove a title by prescription.

The Board have therefore caused local inquiries to be instituted by the local Coast Guard officer who has reported that the inhabitants and public generally have at

The Town Clerk,

Dornoch.

all



all times used the shore and taken seaweed sand and
shingle both from above and below High Water Mark
without interference and without payment or acknowledg-
ment.

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I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Farnham Roper