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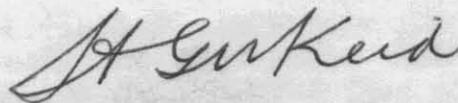
MEMORANDUMTITANIUM MINERALS

Returning from Smithton on 23rd August I visited the property of I.J. Johnston from whose property some concentrates containing ilmenite rutile etc. had been forwarded to the Launceston Laboratory and from whom a request had been received for an examination of the area.

Mr. Johnston was not at home but I was shown over the area by his son. On Friday night I spoke to Mr. Johnston by phone and suggested certain work to be done.

His letter of 24th August suggests that the preliminary work has already been done and it would appear that a closer examination is warranted.

The concentrates were won from gravels occurring in a comparatively steep and narrow swampy gully with deep soils and water-worn boulders on either bank. The work advised was designed to determine whether or not the concentrates persisted into the banks.



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