
OLDHALL CO

Location

LINTON-PIGGOREET ROAD PIGGOREET, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0384

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11717

Property Number

History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

SPRING DALLAH QUARTZ COMPANY

SPRING DALLAH QUARTZ MINING COMPANY, location of this mine described as the Old Hall Reef in Wm.

Robertson's History of Piggoreet and Golden Lake, likely to have been the predecessor of the Old Hall mine

05.1861: splendid mining machinery erected

08.1861: have not derived much profit from their claim as yet; the reef is on the surface; have an excellent crushing mill with a 20 horsepower steam engine and 12 head battery.

11.1861: company wound up after an enormous expenditure for little return

06.1864: yield of 200 ozs from 1000 tons, or 4 dwt per ton, from a depth of 100 feet.

09.1864: furnace erected for treating mundic/pyrite impregnated quartz obtained between the 60 and 100 foot

levels; yield of 58 ounces 18 dwt 22 gr from 232 tons or 5 dwt 2 gr per ton from a lode 5 feet wide at a depth from 60 to 100 feet; 50 tons of sand remain to be reduced by the furnace and amalgamation.

OLDHALL Co. (an English company)

1905: put up a plant to work the quartz reef, which contained vast quantities of Galena.

03.06.1905: Mr. Ponson, the English capitalist who owns the lease, visited the mine and discussed the plans for future expansion.

07.04.1906: received a government grant of £850 for mining development.

19.05.1906: specifications being prepared for a new 16 inch cylinder winding engine.

02.06.1906: purchased an 18 inch cylinder winding engine, which will be located behind the steam winch, the shaft will then be sunk another 200 feet.

21.07.1906: machinery at work and the shaft is to be deepened to 200 feet.

08.09.1906: underground work has been suspended because the water is heavy.

24.07.1909: mine to be restarted.

01.1907 to 1908; recorded production of 244 ozs 12 dwt (or 7.608 kg).

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