CITY OF MANCHESTER

Location

BUNINYONG-MOUNT MERCER ROAD AND KELLYS ROAD GRENVILLE, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0227

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11877

Property Number

History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

Durham Lead, No. 5 or Buninyong Division, Ballarat.

CITY OF MANCHESTER Co.

01.1863: are down 100 feet and baling water at 216 gallons per hour; the sinking is through very hard strata with indications that the deep ground is not far away.

22.08.1863 one of the largest and best appointed mines on the lead; holds 6700 feet of the lead; registered under Pyke's Act, with a capital of £8000, in 400 shares of £20 each; has fine 23.5 inch cylinder with a 3 foot 10 inch stroke; two boilers 26 feet by 6.5 feet; a round brick chimney 45 foot high on a stone base; built from bricks made on the ground to the shape required; the engine and boilers cost £1065 and the contract for their erection was £450; Messrs Hunt and Opie, of the Victoria Foundry, have been contracted to supply the winding and puddling

gear for £562 and Mr. Kinsman for the stone and brick work for £205.

03.1864: shaft down 130 feet, 10 feet by 4 feet clear ;23 inch by 46 inch steam engine, 16 foot flywheel ;2 boilers: 24 feet by 6 feet 6 inches ;boilers and steam engine cost 1092 pounds one shilling ;flat rope (costing 45 pounds 5 shillings and 4 pence)

12.5 inch pumps, plunger and draw lift, on the ground awaiting fixing, together with 260 feet of pipes and pine pump rods costing 567 pounds 12 shillings ;capstan erected

03.1865: new company formed to work the section of gutter which traverses Crombie's Pre-emptive Right, located in the middle of the City of Manchester Co.'s claim.

12.1865: have struck a gutter, putting in a blind shaft and preparing to work on a large scale.

06.03.1866: to erect a second puddling machine; interruptions to puddling caused by only having one steam engine.

03.1866: not yielding as expected although they are clearing expenses.

06.1866: mining difficult, gold obtained paid for expenses.

24.07.1866: two cast iron puddling machines erected

1867/8: idle when reported on by Etheridge and Murray.

09.1870: ground has been taken up again.

12.1886: new company formed to rework this mine.

1863 - 1886: recorded production of 16.441 kg of gold.

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