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# REFORM GM NO.1 SHAFT

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## Location

30 RACECOURSE ROAD HADDON, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0311

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Hermes Number 11718

Property Number

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## History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

12.1867: has sunk a considerable distance in the rock in the last 3 months.

06.1868: twice in the last 3 months the puddling clay holding the water out of the shaft has given way; larger pumps will be required to cope with the water.

09.1868: bottomed and the good prospects have encouraged the taking out of leases over large tracts of country.

03.1869: entered the gutter in two places and the results are promising; but the heavy water is hindering progress.

06.1869: bottomed and into gold; wash is extensive; success of this claim may determine the future of mining at Haddon.

09.1869: progress slow but prospects are still good; deep ground has been proved to be trending north toward the

Ballarat Basin.

12.1869: progress slowed by many unforeseen difficulties; yield for the quarter 1139 ozs 3 dwt.

03.1870: not as good as expected, may not have yet reached the main gutter.

06.1870: yield for the quarter 941 ozs 7 dwt; drives have been constructed into the deep ground which has just been reached.

09.1870: yield for the quarter 1342 ozs 11 dwt.

03.1871: yield for the quarter 2065 ozs.

06.1871: yield for the quarter 2094 ozs 10 dwt.

09.1871: yield for the quarter 1650 ozs 1 dwt; working difficulties lessen the returns of this company.

12.1871: yield for the quarter 1332 ozs 17 dwt; better returns are expected when the No.2 shaft is bottomed and the works at No.1 shaft are completed.

03.1872: yield for the quarter 828 ozs 19 dwt; mine let on tribute.

06.1872: yield for the quarter 713 ozs.

09.1872: not yet reached its potential.

31.10.1872: report of quarterly meeting; No. 1 shaft tributers yielded 766 ozs from 323 machines or 2 ozs 7.5 dwt per machine - an improvement; at No.2 shaft the tribute was given up and the mine was worked on contract, a second boiler was erected at this shaft; works at both shafts are in good order.

12.1872: yield for the quarter 1913 ozs 6 dwt.

28.01.1873 to 11.03.1873: operating from two shafts with two tribute parties, some renegotiation of the contracts with one of the tribute parties.

03.1873: yield for the quarter 1290 ozs 3 dwt.

06.1873: yield for the quarter 1994 ozs.

09.1873: yield for the quarter 2172 ozs 5 dwt.

12.1873: yield for the quarter 2189 ozs.

03.1874: yield for the quarter 2260 ozs.

06.1874: yield for the quarter 2541 ozs.

09.1874: yield for the quarter 2575 ozs 4 dwt.

12.1874: yield for the quarter 2614 ozs 7 dwt.

03.1875: yield for the quarter 2479 ozs 8 dwt.

06.1875: yield for the quarter 2569 ozs 14 dwt.

09.1875: yield for the quarter 2551 ozs.

12.1875: yield for the quarter 2411 ozs 11 dwt.

03.1876: yield for the quarter 2329 ozs.

06.1876: yield for the quarter 2135 ozs 16 dwt.

09.1876: yield for the quarter 2041 ozs 3 dwt.

12.1876: yield for the quarter 2273 ozs.

03.1877: yield for the quarter 2585 ozs

06.1877: yield for the quarter 2631 ozs 3 dwt.

09.1877: yield for the quarter 2696 ozs 6 dwt.

12.1877: yield for the quarter 3110 ozs 7 dwt.

03.1878: yield for the quarter 3171 ozs.

06.1878: yield for the quarter 2692 ozs.

09.1878: yield for the quarter 3319 ozs; boring to the west of their workings has proved the existence of ground deeper than any yet found.

12.1878: yield for the quarter 3260 ozs 13 dwt.

06.1879: yield for the quarter 2631 ozs.

09.1879: yield for the quarter 2830 ozs.

12.1879: yield for the quarter 2590 ozs.

03.1881: yield for the quarter 2233 ozs.

09.1881: nearly worked out.

yield for the quarter from Nos 2, 3 and 6 shafts totals 1933 ozs from 21469 tons of wash dirt.

12.1881: mining stopped in the No. 2 and No. 3 shafts; sinking a new shaft near the No. 1 shaft.

yield for the quarter of 883 ozs 15 dwt obtained by puddling 4075 tons of wash dirt.

06.1882: showing some improvement.

09.1884: declared a dividend of £200.

03.1886: the only alluvial mining company still holding a large claim.

06.1887: an increase in the yield of the Reform No. 6 has increased the yield for the division.

03.1889: yield for the quarter 1006 ozs, which is about half the total yield for the division.

10.1869 to 06.1885: recorded production of 91,754 ozs 2 dwt or 2,853.938 kg.

06.1887 to 12.1889: recorded production of 3,229 ozs 3 dwt or 100.440 kg.59

10.1869 to 12.188:giving a total production of 2,954.378 kg.59

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