ROBIN HOOD CO

Location

HAPPY VALLEY ROAD HAPPY VALLEY, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0264

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11784

Property Number

History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

12.1860: sinking their shaft.

03.1861: not yet bottomed; shares have risen in value.

05.1861: to get a steam engine; shaft down 112 feet.

06.1861: progressing favourably.

07.1861: erecting a large steam engine; shaft is very deep.

08.1861: well advanced with the sinking of their shaft.

09.1861: considered to be very good claim and the shares are at a very good price.

10.1861: ready to start this week; have very powerful machinery.

14.11.1861: completed erecting a 30 hp engine and boiler 26 feet long by 6 foot 6 inches in diameter; shaft has

three compartments, it is 8 foot 6 inches by 3 foot 6 inches and 140 feet deep; the contract for sinking the shaft has been let to a party of Welshmen for £6 12s 6d per foot.

11.1861: about 140 feet through the rock.

12.1861: procuring pumping machinery after being flooded out.

01.1863: recently bottomed and struck very rich wash-dirt.

06.1863: the 3 compartment main shaft is 8 feet 6 inches by 3 feet 6 inches, and is down to a depth of 288 feet; The machinery at the mine includes:

an 18 inch by 36 inch steam engine for pumping and puddling;two boilers: 26 feet by 6 feet 6 inches and 20 feet by 6 feet 6 inches; a 12 inch by 30 inch steam engine for winding;a 12 inch drawlift which is down 295 feet; two puddling machines with cast iron bottoms and wrought iron sides (cost £728). They have centre discharge with sluice and platform placed underneath;an 8 inch surface pump;Round's patent flat chain.

07.1863: doing better lately.

10.1863: no dividend yet.

03.1864: laying iron tram rails in drives.

greatly improved.

06.1864: not getting much, have driven to their boundary on each side.

09.1864: ground tried so far has turned out poor.

12.1864: slightly improving; latest yield was 34 ozs.

06.1865: a consistent mine which pays moderately.

09.1865: paying reasonably well.

12.1865: showing signs of improvement.

06.1866: best yielding claim at Happy Valley for some time; yield of 172 ozs for the week.

recorded production to this time was 5783 ozs 18 dwt or 179.904 kg.

09.1866: worked out.

03.1867: a new company formed and the ground reoccupied.

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