
UNION CO

Location

269 PITFIELD-CRESSY ROAD PITFIELD, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0167

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11930

Property Number

History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

UNION Co.

05.04.1895: purchased an engine and a complete plant for £503 and have entered into a contract for removal and re-erection of plant for £250.

17.05.1895: erecting plant; advertised for a manager.

14.06.1895: portable engine on the way to the claim other machinery erected.

12.07.1895: machinery officially started and the engine was christened the Ormuz.

22.08.1895: Union Co., still pumping.

25.12.1897: completed the erection of winding and puddling plant in January but had problems and did not get fully underway until April; yield til April was 77 ozs and for the whole year 1777 ozs; proved an immense amount

of payable wash; second iron puddling machine purchased and being erected; no calls since April and paid a dividend of 6d per share or a total of £600.

19.01.1900: bad air interrupted operations.

05.10.1900: the North Queen of the Plains winding plant has been purchased and will shortly be removed and re-erected at the No. 2 shaft.

25.01.1901: prospects are poor.

1897 to 1902: recorded production of 19,085 ozs 17 dwt (or 593.65 kg).

10.01.1903: abandoned

23.04.1910: a company is to be established to treat the sludge at this mine site using cyanide.

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