WOADY YALOAK NO.1 CO

Location

269 JACOBS ROAD PITFIELD, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0173

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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History

Contextual History: History of Place:

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WOADY YALLOCK Co.

01.06.1896; inspector of mines Mr. Agnew inspected the boilers and the masons can now finish building them in, the men are sinking the bob-pit, carpenters are working on the poppet legs and erecting the offices.

05.04.1895: work suspended because of a break down in the winding drum.

17.05.1895: good wash dirt in incline drive, water heavy.

10.10.1896: half yearly meeting: superior pumping and winding plant erected, purchased an excellent puddling machine with a 10 inch cylinder engine for driving the puddler; partially excavated a dam to supply the water to the boilers; shaft was enlarged by 4 foot to all the 10 inch lift pumps to be installed.

25.12.1897; development of the mine has been difficult because the wash has been erratic; now proved an area

700 feet square; steam driven iron puddler erected during the year and a second is now in the course of erection; most of the underground work is done on contract; there 80 men employed, of whom 65 work below ground and 15 work on the surface; the wages bill is £300 for two weeks; yield since June has been 500 ozs.

1899: payable ground is being opened up following the success of the Queen of the Plains; three parallel lines of quartz reef have been found traversing the mine one of which is nine foot thick and has been found to be gold bearing, and a trial crushing will probably be made; the company has efficient plant consisting of an 18.5 inch cylinder pumping engine, 15.5 inch cylinder winding engine, a 14 inch cylinder puddling engine, and two iron puddlers.

21.12.1900: directors are likely to approve a new lease in the south-west portion of their lease.

04.01.1901: results were not consistent throughout the year because the wash was irregular; first half year's yield was 2169.5 ozs and the second half year's yield was 1575.5 ozs.

26.04.1901: contractors intend erecting a whim at the No.2 shaft.

20.07.1901: yield for the quarter of 1002 ozs; 115 men working at the mine.

20.09.1901: calling tenders for removing then re-erecting the winding and pumping plant at the No.2 shaft.

11.01.1902: contractors are building in the plant.

10.01.1903: obtained new lease of life from the No.2 shaft.

01.10.1904: final clean up gave 15 ozs 1 dwt.

1896 to 1904: recorded production at the Woady Yallock No. 1 shaft is 22,823 ozs 11 dwt (or 709.908 kg).

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