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# RICE'S FREEHOLD CO

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## Location

DONALD MCLEANS ROAD PIGGOREET, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0403

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Hermes Number 11692

Property Number

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## History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

RICE FREEHOLD CO., Derwent Jacks

19.01.1901: battery in full swing, clean up at the end of the week.

26.10.1901: the Hoare Brothers have won the contract to dismantle the battery from this mine and re-erect it at the Williams Fancy Mine.

NEW RICE'S FREEHOLD CO., Derwent Jacks or Piggoreet

09.03.1907: machinery is to be erected.

27.04.1907: poppet legs are hoisted and the piers for the engine and gearing are nearly complete.

25.05.1907: new winding plant will be ready soon and tenders will be called to erect a 10 head battery.

06.07.1907: contracted with Messrs Lonie, Bodycomb & Co. for the supply of a 10 head battery of the latest

pattern and with an engine large enough to drive extra stamps if required; the engine is being supplied by Miller & Co.

23.11.1907: all the brick work is completed at the battery, and the engine and boxes are in position.

18.01.1908: expect to have battery completed in 2 to 3 weeks; the second boiler has been built in.

08.02.1908: purchased a steam winch.

22.02.1908: wheel on battery broken.

1899 to 1901: Recorded production of 16 ozs from 97 tons (or 0.498 kg from 98 tonnes).

01.1908 to 12.1908: Recorded production of 486 ozs 13 dwt from 893 tons (or 15.137 kg from 907 tonnes).11

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