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# GOLDEN GATE CO AND THE CONTEST LEAD

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## Location

218 BROWNS ROAD SCARSDALE, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0053

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Hermes Number 12049

Property Number

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## History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

GOLDEN AGE COMPANY (adjoins the Golden Gate Co.)

09.1879: party discovered a rich alluvial field after persevering for 12 months; yield of £38 per man the first week and £55 10s the second.

12.1879: nothing of importance has followed this find; hopeful of a good result when the deeper levels are reached.<sup>6</sup>

03.1880: not doing very well; hope to be in better ground soon.

06.1880: obtaining rich returns; paid £118 14s per man last fortnight.<sup>7</sup>

09.1880: continuing to give magnificent returns; a new claim adjoining has struck gold in quantities likely to pay well; applications have been taken up on adjoining areas.<sup>7</sup>

1879 to 1880: recorded production of 1020 ozs or 31.726 kg.

06.1881: operations chiefly confined to prospecting.

09.1881: operations have ceased.<sup>9</sup>

#### GOLDEN GATE COMPANY

03.1880: about to erect machinery.

#### GRACE DARLING COMPANY

10.1863: bottomed their shaft but have not yet finished their chamber.

06.1864: using steam power to work the old ground which is very poor.

09.1864: scarcely making wages.

12.1864: have given up.

GOLDEN AGE EXTENDED CO., Browns, a co-operative of party of 20 men

05.04.1895: risen up in wash; fixing horse machine for a trial.

03.05.1895: purchased the machinery of the All Nations Co. from Black Hill.

10.05.1895: yield of 3 ozs 11 dwt 12 gr.

17.05.1895: yield of 3 oz 15 dwt.

12.07.1895: yield of 5 ozs from one machine; contractor finished erecting the puddling machine.

30.08.1895: report on company includes a list of machinery: a 16 inch cylinder horizontal engine with a 3 foot 6 inch stroke for winding fed by a flue boiler 26 foot by 6 foot 6 inches and a self emptying iron puddler driven by a 10.5 inch engine.

28.12.1895: commenced 12 months ago; has sunk a 6 foot by 3 foot 6 inch shaft to a depth of 175 feet with openings at 145 feet and 164 feet; this company works the Perseverance Lead near the junction with the Contest Lead .

01.01.1897: satisfactory for most of the year.

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