P.W.D. TIMBER MILL

LOCATION = About fifteen kilometres east south east of the present town of Dwellingup and at one time connected by its own rail system running on the north side to the Amphion Siding on the old State railway line to Boddington.[1]

PADDINGTON

LOCATION = On the Government railway line between the present towns of Kalgoorlie and Menzies.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = The goldfield was discovered in about 1894. Deep lead finds in 1898 and 1901 also occurred. Some of the mines were the *Pakeha*, the *Mt Corlic*, the *Star of W.A.* and the large *Paddington Consuls* mine. The latter employed four hundred to five hundred men in its heyday until it went into liquidation in 1901.[2]

ADMINISTRATION = The town had its own municipality in 1901, but the decline of the town led to it being amalgamated with Broad Arrow in 1903.[3]

POLICE & COURTS = Constable MULKERIN arrived there in September 1899 as Officer in Charge. The site was apparently Corlic and Pakeha Street and the lockup that had been at Black Flag may already have been on the site. The Police quarters were moved there from Black Flag in 1900 and in March 1901 a shed was shifted from Broad Arrow to be altered into stables.[4] The station was closed in July 1910 [5] and the Detective Office was removed to Boulder in 1911.[6]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION = In about 1898/99 there were five hotels. [7] By 1910 only one of the former six hotels was still in business.[8]

HALLS & CHURCHES = There was a church there by 1898/99. [9]

PAYNESVILLE - Earlier names were - PAYNTON - and - FORDS - and EAST MOUNT MAGNET.

LOCATION = Latitude 28° 01' south by Longitude 118° 30' east. Seventy seven kilometres east of the present town of Mount Magnet. [10]

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = Gold was discovered in this area in early 1898 by Tom PAYNE and WALDECK. [11] By April 1898 the place had been inspected by a surveyor and a plan of subdivision prepared. It was at first referred to as "Paynton", and East Mount Magnet, and some records record the locality as "Fords" after another prospector. By April 1899 local prospectors were using the name Paynesville, and it was with this name that the townsite was gazetted in 1900. It is believed to be named after Tom PAYNE. [12]

TRANSPORT SERVICES = The railway from Mount Magnet to Black Range, passing through Paynesville, was opened in 1910. [13]

OTHER BUSINESSES

ORE BATTERY = The State Battery was moved to Nunngarra in about January/February 1904.[14]

PAYNTON - An early name for - PAYNESVILLE.

PEAK HILL

LOCATION = Latitude 25° 38' south by Longitude 118° 43' east. one hundred and twenty kilometres north of the present town of Meekatharra.[15]

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = Gold was discovered in the area by William John WILSON in 1892.[16] At the centre of the gold find is a peak thirty metres high, and it was believed WILSON named the find after it. However, according to other sources, including his biography, the name is derived from Peak Hill in New South Wales, an area where WILSON had prospected before coming to Western Australia. [17]

By 1896 there was sufficient population in the area for the government to decide to establish a townsite there. The townsite was gazetted in 1897. [18]

TRANSPORT SERVICES = The 1897 postal directory lists a weekly coach service from Nannine.[19]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

PEAK HILL HOTEL = Peter MURPHY [20] is listed as the hotel keeper in the 1897 postal directory. [21]

OTHER BUSINESSES

BUTCHER = A. E. F. and G. C. CANNING are listed separately in the 1897 postal directory.[22]

IMPORTER = R. G. FIELD is listed in the 1897 postal directory. [23]

PHOTOGRAPHER = T. McCARTHEY is listed in the 1897 postal directory.[24]

STOREKEEPER 1 = Downey & Murphy are listed in the 1894 postal directory. [25]

STOREKEEPER 2 = B. FLAHERTY is listed in the 1897 postal directory.[26]

STOREKEEPER 2 = A. KEARNEY is listed in the 1897 postal directory.[27]

STOREKEEPER 3 = C. W. O'HALLORAN is listed in the 1897 postal directory. [28]

PENDINNIE - Former name of - PENNYWEIGHT POINT.

PENDINNIE SOAK - Also spelt - PINDINNIS SOAK.

LOCATION = About eight kilometres [29] south of the abandoned settlement of Yundamindera.[30]

HISTORY = In June 1895 there was a mud hut and a garden about two hundred metres from the main soak. The area around the soak was gazetted as a 300 acre Reserve in November 1896.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = A hotel was there in February 1897 and is presumably the same premises that Thomas Splatt DOLLING received a Publican's General Licence for in 1899. This was renewed as a Wayside Inn Licence in 1900 and transferred to Samual J. OTTERY in 1901, then Henry DWER in 1902. He may have remained there until 1904, but by 1907 only the ruins were visible.[31]

OTHER BUSINESSES
MARKET GARDEN = In 1903 there was a market garden close to the hotel. [32]
STOREKEEPER 1 & 2 = By October 1895 there were two stores operating in calico buildings.[33] One store was still there in 1897.[34]

PENNYWEIGHT POINT - Formerly - PENDINNIE.

LOCATION = About ten kilometres west of Pykes Hollow and thirteen kilometres north of Pendennie Soak.[35]
INDUSTRY = Gold mining.
HISTORY = Gold was discovered there by Henry WOOD, Charles FALLIS, Robert LINDSAY, Michael SLATER and Patrick HIGGINS in June 1895 and they were granted a reward claim. Within hours of the claim being granted a rush was on and by the end of the month six hundred men were on the field.[36] By October only a dozen men remained.[37] However by the end of the year a number of leases had been taken up. By late 1897 two thirds of the leases had been forfeited. [38]
UTILITIES = Water was scarce and the settlement relied for some time on a well sunk by H. A. WEBB and his party who were one of the earliest lessees.[39]
HEALTH = The Pendinnie Local Board of Health was formed in December 1897.[40]
TRANSPORT SERVICES = There was a weekly coach service from Coolgardie via Menzies and Yerilla by about 1898.[41]
POSTAL & COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES = In mid 1897 a Post Office was erected [42] and the telegraph line extended from Yerilla. [43] The Post Office building and the Postmaster G. W. TODD were moved to Yundamindera in December 1900.[44]
HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION
AILEENS HOME HOTEL = In early 1896 Henry GILD acquired a Wayside Inn Licence for what he called Aileens Home Hotel and by late 1896 this was owned and licensed by George MILLBANK. [45] MILLBANK renewed his licence in 1900 with the aim of transferring it to Yundermndera. He appears to have been successful because he opened *Millbank's Granites* Hotel in October. [46]
OTHER BUSINESSES
STOREKEEPER = 'French' SWITZER opened a store there at an unknown date, but it is intimated that this was soon after the first rush began in mid 1895.[47]

PIG WELL

LOCATION This was an area about nineteen kilometres north of the abandoned town of Malcolm.
INDUSTRY = Gold mining.
HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION
WATTLE BARK HOTEL = By 1903 this hotel had commenced trading at the parent lease, *The Flying Pig.*[48]

PIKES HOLLOW [Called NUNYARRA by the Aboriginal people]

LOCATION = Between the abandoned settlement of Yundamindera and Lake Carey.[49]
INDUSTRY = Gold mining.
HISTORY = PYKE is said to have specked gold there in the winter of 1893 [50] although another source dates this to 1894.[51] The first leases were taken up in mid 1895. Amongst these early mines was the *Hands Across the Bar*, the *Nine of Hearts*, the *Harlech Castle* and the *Scotchman.* [52]

A settlement soon grew up at the base of an unusual conical limestone hill and by 1897 a population of thirty one including one female was reported.[53]
POSTAL & COMMUNICATION SERVICES = The REID brothers relinquished the Post office to Gilbert Henry 'Harry; SWINCER in 1902.[54]
HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION
? HOTEL = Edward REID was granted a Wayside Inn licence in 1898.[55] The REID brothers relinquished what is possibly this hotel to Gilbert Henry 'Harry; SWINCER in 1902 who closed it sometime later, after his wife died.[56]
OTHER BUSINESSES
STOREKEEPER = By 1897 the REID brothers had opened a general store.[57] They relinquished the store to Gilbert Henry 'Harry; SWINCER in 1902.[58]

PILBARRA

LOCATION = Townsite around the Pilbarra Pool on the Pilbarra Creek, which runs into the Yule River south of Port Hedland.[59]
INDUSTRY = Gold mining.
HISTORY = Harry WELLS is credited with finding gold there, although some claims are made for Ben CHRISTIE being the discoverer. [60] One possible meaning of the Aboriginal word is mullet. [61]
POSTAL & COMMUNICATION SERVICES = The 1905 postal directory lists William HARRIS at the *Yandyarra* hotel as the acting postmaster.[62]
HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION
YANDYARRA HOTEL = The 1905 postal directory lists William HARRIS at the hotel.[63]
OTHER BUSINESSES
BUTCHER = By June 1890 the shop had closed only to re-open in July. [64]
SADDLER = Enoch JONES is listed in the 1905 postal directory.[65]
STOREKEEPER 1 = By June 1890 the store had closed. This store may have been associated with the butchers shop. It reopened in July 1890.[66]
STOREKEEPER 2 = Henry BROOKS operating as Brooks & Bower is listed in the 1905 postal directory. [67]
STOREKEEPER 3 = Michael LARKIN is listed in the 1905 postal directory. [68]

PILGRIMS TIMBER MILL - WITCHCLIFFE AREA - see - EAST WITCHCLIFFE TIMBER MILL.

PINDALUP RAILWAY SIDING

LOCATION = About Latitude 32˚ 46.7' south by about 116˚ 15.9' east. At the 83 miles 39 chain mark of the Pinjarra - Dwellingup - Narrogin State railway line. [69]

HISTORY = Originally named Vincent in 1913. Renamed by 1922. Abandoned. [70]

PINDALUP PORT's Number 1 TIMBER MILL - DWELLINGUP AREA

LOCATION = About twenty kilometres east south est of Dwellingup on the old State railway line to Narrogin. [71]

PINDALUP? PORT's Number 2 TIMBER MILL - DWELLINGUP AREA

LOCATION = About twenty three kilometres east south east of Dwellingup and about five kilometres north of the old State railway line to Narrogin. [72]

PINDATHUNA

LOCATION = Yalgoo area. Roughly twenty eight kilometres north of Yalgoo on reserve 2968 which was declared in 1895. [73]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION = In May 1895 William N. COCK announced that he was applying for a wine and spirits licence for a house he was occupying there on business area number 88. This business only lasted a short time. [74]

PINDINNIS SOAK - Alternate spelling of - PENDINNIE SOAK.

PINTHARUKA

LOCATION = Latitude 29° 05' south by Longitude 115° 58' east. Thirteen kilometres north of the present town of Morawa. [75]

INDUSTRY = Wheatbelt railway siding. [76]

TRANSPORT SERVICES = It is on the railway line between Wongan Hills and Mullewa which opened for service in 1915. When the railway was being planned in 1912, the North Morawa Pintharuka Progress Association asked for a townsite to be surveyed at the site of the proposed Pintharuka siding. The site of the railway siding named Pintharuka was fixed in 1913, and later that year a townsite named Pintharuka was also gazetted. The name is of unknown Aboriginal meaning, derived from the nearby Pintharuka Well, a feature first recorded by a surveyor in 1910. [77]

PINYALLING

LOCATION = On Ninghan pastoral station, presumably in the vicinity of Pinyalling Hill east of Mongers lake.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = The main mine was operated by the Pinyalling Discovery Gold Mine Ltd. They had a battery there between 1902 and 1904. [78] In 1901 there were thirteen houses, nineteen males, and one female. [79]

POSTAL & COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES = A mail run awarded to John CAMPBELL was begun from Yalgoo in January 1896. [80]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = There was a wayside Inn there to support the goldmine, which presumably operated between 1902 and 1904. [81]

OTHER BUSINESSES

STOREKEEPER = There was a store there to support the goldmine, which presumably operated between 1902 and 1904. [82]

PLAVINS RAILWAY SIDING - see - PLAVINS TIMBER MILL.

PLAVIN'S TIMBER MILL - COLLIE AREA

LOCATION = About twelve kilometres east north east of the present town of Collie. [83]

INDUSTRY = Timber mill.

HISTORY = The timber mill was connected by company rail? to the Government railway near Shotts. [84] It was built in about 1918 on land owned by the Salvation Army, five and a half kilometres north of Shotts Railway Siding. In 1921the land and mill were sold to the Collie Land & Timber Company. [85]

PLAVINS TIMBER MILL - DWELLINGUP AREA

LOCATION = About Latitude 32˚ 44.6' south by about Longitude 116˚ 9' east. [86] About 8.7 kilometres east south est of the present town of Dwellingup on the old State railway line to Boddington. [87]

INDUSTRY = Timber mill.

HISTORY = In December 1918 Charles PLAVIN bought a mill built at the 75 mile 5 chain mark of the Hotham Valley branch of the State railways by the South West Timber Hewers Co-Operative Society. This became known as PLAVIN's Siding. He built a many branched company railway system which eventually extended thirty kilometres and purchased the locomotive Denmark from Bunnings at the Lion Mill. The site appears to have been operational until at least 1923. [88]

POISON CREEK

LOCATION = Adjacent to a pool and soak on Poison Creek between Agnew and present town of Leonora. [89]

INDUSTRY = Stage coach way station.

HISTORY = This was a way station for James NICHOLAS's Cobb & Co coaches which operated a service through to Lawlers from 1896. [90]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = Although some sort of stage stop supplying alcohol and rough accommodation and food was probably there previously on Business Area 23 it wasn't until 1902 that J. INGLIS is recorded as the licensee. The last licensee recorded is Elizabeth SUTCLIFFE in 1908. [91]

POONDINO Or - POONDINO HILLS.

LOCATION - A settlement on the old railway line from Port Hedland to Marble Bar sited about twenty five kilometres east of South Hedland and near the Poondino Hills. [92]

TRANSPORT SERVICES = The railway line from Port Hedland to Marble Bar was officially opened in July 1911. Poondino was a siding, with water tanks and had a maintenance gang stationed there. [93]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = This hotel was operating as a staging post prior to the railway coming through. The earliest known operator was J. T. HICKS in 1905. Another person involved was W. S. RHILL who possibly ran it in about 1910 when the railway was under construction. It was a "cluster of corrugated-iron shanties". A later operator was Harry BELL. When he, and later his Chinese cook Jimmy Ah Hik died, the hotel was de-licensed and later demolished. [94]

SPORT = Some horse race meetings were held there. [95]

PORLELL - Original names - STAR OF THE EAST - and - STAR. [There is some confusion between GABANINTHA and PORLELL as they are very close to each other and the postal directories seem to have trouble distinguishing between them. This may mean that the entries for particular businesses in one centre may actually be for the other.]

LOCATION = Latitude 26° 56' south by Longitude 118° 36' east. Twenty three kilometres east of the abandoned town of Nannine. [96]

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = Gold was discovered in this area in the mid 1890's [97] by L. R. MENZIES. [98] The find was named *Star of the East*. [99] By 1899 there was sufficient development for the government to decide to declare a townsite, and as Star of the East was not considered suitable, the name Porlelle, after a small nearby lake was suggested. The spelling was amended to Porlell for unknown reasons, and the townsite was gazetted in November 1899. Porlelle Lake was first shown on maps of the area in 1886, but the source and meaning of the name are not known. The lake has now been re-spelt as Porlell. [100]

TRANSPORT SERVICES = Jules GASCARD's coach lines ran a service there and back from Nannine every Sunday in 1896/97. [101]

POSTAL & COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES - A postal service was opened at Star of the East in early 1896. [102]

POSTMASTER

DICK, Alex = Appointed as the first postmaster at Star of the East in 1896. [103]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION - The hotel was operated by Paddy GREEN at an unknown date at Star of the East. [104]

GABANINTHA HOTEL = J. H. PALMER is listed in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [105]

YAGAHONG HOTEL = A. LUCANUS is mentioned in the 1897 postal directory under Star. [106]

OTHER BUSINESSES

BAKER = William PEATTIE is listed as a baker in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [107]

BUTCHER = J. & J. MEEHAN, a branch of J. Meehan & Co butchers in Nannine commenced business at Star of the East in about 1893/4 and was also operating in 1896/7. [108] This is probably the John P. and James J. MECHAN listed in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [109]

CARPENTER = C. BURRESON is listed as a carpenter in the 1897 [110] and the 1898 postal directory under Star. [111]

ENGINEER 1 = H. A. BOULTON is listed as an engineer in the 1897 [112] and the 1898 postal directory under Star. [113]

ENGINEER 2 = H. GOODIN is listed as an engineer in the 1897 [114] and the 1898 postal directory under Star. [115]

ENGINEER 3 = William VISE is listed as an engineer in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [116]

STOREKEEPER 1 = A store operated by Jack DOWNIE was started at Star of the East in about 1895 and was still operating in 1896/7, [117] although S. DOWNIE is listed in the 1897 postal directory under Star. [118] John DOWNIE is listed in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [119]

STOREKEEPER 2 = Charles D. BOWDEN is listed as a storekeeper in the 1898 postal directory under Star. [120]

PORT'S NUMBER 1 TIMBER MILL - COLLIE AREA

LOCATION = Eleven kilometres east of Roelands, on or near the Coalfields road. [121]

INDUSTRY = Timber mill.

HISTORY = This and or Port's Number 3 Timber Mill are assumed to have been established in 1893 by James Cornish PORT from Adelaide who came to Western Australia as an employee of Honey & Co in Port Adelaide. In 1897 he build a tramway from one or both of the mills to Lunenburgh [Fernbrook] Railway Siding on the Brunswick Junction to Collie State railway line. [122]

PORT'S NUMBER 2 TIMBER MILL - DONNYBROOK AREA

LOCATION = This was built near the 24 mile mark of the Government railway running from Donnybrook to Boyanup. [123]

INDUSTRY = Timber mill.

HISTORY = James Cornish PORT built a timber mill near the siding in April 1895. The source is a little unclear on the matter but the reference to "near" is expanded to include "A railway four kilometres long ran from the siding to the mill." In January 1896 he sold it to Abraham & George BAXTER and William PRINCE, who had just been awarded the contract to build the Mullewa to Cue railway line. The mill closed in about 1900. This mill may in fact be the mill depicted as Baxter & Prince Number 1 in one source and shown as over three kilometres south west of the siding. [124]

PORT'S NUMBER 3 TIMBER MILL - COLLIE AREA

LOCATION = About fifteen and a half kilometres east south east of Roelands on the Coalfields Road. [125]

HISTORY = This and or PORT's Number 1 Timber Mill are assumed to have been established in 1893 by James Cornish PORT from Adelaide who came to Western Australia as an employee of Honey & Co in Port Adelaide. In 1897 he build a tramway from one or both of the mills to Lunenburgh [Fernbrook] Railway Siding on the Brunswick Junction to Collie State railway line. [126]

PRESTON NUMBER 2 TIMBER MILL - LOWDEN AREA
LOCATION = About one and a half kilometres north north west of Lowden. [127]

PRINCESS ROYAL
LOCATION = Latitude 32° 07' south by Longitude 121° 48' east. Roughly sixteen kilometres north north east of the present town of Norseman. [128]

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = CHESTER, PEDDLER and FLANAGAN discovered rich reef gold there in 1895, [129] then alluvial gold was discovered in August 1901. [130]

The townsite derives its name from the *Princess Royal* Gold Mine discovered here in the late 1890's. A residential area had developed near the mine by 1900, and in 1904 was gazetted as a townsite. The mine and townsite are most likely named after the Princess Royal, Victoria Adelaide Mary Louisa (1840-1901), the eldest daughter of Queen Victoria. [131]

POLICE & COURTS = The 1st officer in charge was Constable S. COREY, who took up the position in February 1905. Living at first in a private home before apparently moving to Princess Street. The station closed in September 1908. [132]

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

CLUB HOTEL = The 1906 postal directory lists Robert J. HARRIS at the hotel. [133]

EXCHANGE HOTEL = The 1906 postal directory lists Arthur C. DUNN at the hotel. [134]

PRINCESS ROYAL HOTEL = The 1906 postal directory lists John COOPER at the hotel. [135]

BOARDING HOUSE = E. L. DAVEY is listed in the 1906 postal directory. [136]

OTHER BUSINESSES

BAKER = F. W. WEICKHARDT is listed as a baker in the 1906 postal directory. [137]

BUTCHER I = The business of Butcher & Uhr is listed operating a butcher's shop in the 1906 postal directory. [138]

BUTCHER 2 = The business of Crossing & Anderson is listed as operating a butcher's shop in the 1906 postal directory. [139]

DRAPER 1 = The business of Crane & Donovon are listed as operating a drapery in the 1906 postal directory. [140]

DRAPER 2 = The business of Hewett & Flanagan are listed as operating a drapery in the 1906 postal directory. [141]

DRAPER 3 = Griffith W. Williams is listed as a draper in the 1906 postal directory. [142]

FRUITIER & CONFECTIONER = Henry J. READ is listed as a fruitier and confectioner in the 1906 postal directory. [143]

TOBACCONIST & HAIRDRESSER 1 = Joseph RICHARDS is listed as a tobacconist and hairdresser in the 1906 postal directory. [144]

TOBACCONIST & HAIRDRESSER 2 = W. H. STEWART is listed as a tobacconist and hairdresser in the 1906 postal directory. [145]

STOREKEEPER 1 = Vernon HARCOURT is listed as a storekeeper in the 1906 postal directory. [146]

STOREKEEPER 2 = D. E. KETT is listed as a storekeeper in the 1906 postal directory. [147]

STOREKEEPER 3 = John W. D. McDONALD is listed as a storekeeper in the 1906 postal directory. [148]

STOREKEEPER 4 = J. McNEIL is listed as a storekeeper in the 1906 postal directory. [149]

QUINDALUP TIMBER MILLS - QUINDALUP AREA
LOCATION = Three kilometres inland from Quindalup. [150]

INDUSTRY = Timber.

HISTORY = Henry YELVERTON in partnership with McGIBBON took up timber land on the coastline of Geographe Bay. This timber mill was connected to a jetty at Quindalup by a three kilometre long wooden railed horse tramway and was in operation by 1858. It shipped its first cargo to the Ceylon Railways in 1859. [151]

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