

Where business is conducted, and name of Manager: St. Bathans; William Pyle.
 Nominal capital: £7,600.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,600.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £7,600.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 152.
 Number of shares allotted: 152.
 Amount paid per share: £50.
 Amount called up per share: £50.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 13.
 Present number of shareholders: 8.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 359 oz. 9 dwt. 18 gr.; £1,388 10s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value produced since registration: 16,582 oz. 5 dwt.; £63,910 19s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations since last statement: £539 5s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £70,076 9s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £3,078.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £3,078.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash in bank and on deposit: £207 4s.
 Amount of cash in hand: 12s. 5d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £11 19s. 2d.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £357 4s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Pyle, Legal Manager of the United M. and E. Water-race Company (Registered), do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1916; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1908.

WILLIAM PYLE.

Declared at St. Bathans this 27th day of February, 1917, before me—Wm. McConnochie, J.P. 181

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th August, 1907.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £600.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 62.
 Number of men employed by company: 38.
 Quantity and value of gold produced since last statement: Battery—5,548 tons of quartz crushed, for 4,245 oz. 5 dwt. of melted gold valued at £17,081 3s. 1d.; cyanide—3,550 tons of sands treated, for 498 oz. 18 dwt. bullion valued at £1,409 19s. 1d.; concentrates—54 tons 5 cwt. 1 qr. treated, for bullion valued at £872 6s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: Battery—48,343 tons of quartz crushed, for 50,561 oz. 2 dwt. of melted gold valued at £204,316 2s. 11d.; cyanide—36,250 tons of sands treated, for 7,600 oz. 17 dwt. of bullion valued at £21,508 18s. 5d.; concentrates—550 tons 6 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. treated, for bullion valued at £9,919 12s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations since last statement: £13,807 4s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £142,976 13s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £91,200.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £91,200.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash in bank: £2,184 6s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand (Wages Imprest Account): £50.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £425 2s. 7d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, the Secretary of the New Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1916; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1908.

T. HUBERT LEE.

Declared at Reefton this 26th day of February, 1917, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 183

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: North Blackwater Development Syndicate (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th November, 1915; 19th November, 1915.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £50,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £20,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £11,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 1,000 shares to vendor paid up to £5 each.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
 Amount paid per share: £8.
 Amount called up per share: £8.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 30.
 Number of men employed by company: 20.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced since last statement: Nil.
 Total quantity and value produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in carrying on operations since last statement: £10,574 14s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £12,463 19s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash in bank: £736 0s. 2d.
 Amount of cash on deposit: £2,800.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of debts owing by company: £245 7s. 4d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £132 15s.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Secretary of the North Blackwater Development Syndicate (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st December, 1916; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1908.

T. HUBERT LEE.

Declared at Reefton this 26th day of February, 1917, before me—E. J. Scantlebury, J.P. 184

WAITOMO COUNTY COUNCIL.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1917, AT 4.30 P.M.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, and of all other powers (if any) thereunto enabling, the Waitomo County Council hereby resolves as follows:—