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(True Extract.)

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Alpha Gold Mine.—Requesting Mr. Brough Smyth, with the permission of the proprietors of the—, to examine and report fully and specially on the points noted in connection with the unsuccessful working of this mine.

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Madras 24 December 1878.

Captain (P. J. Hanlin R. N. W. J.
Private Secretary to His Grace
The Governor
Madras.

Sir,
Looking to the personal interest which
His Grace has taken in the Wynaad Gold Fields
we write to ask if he would favorably consider
our request that Mr Brough Longth's services
be placed at our disposal to give a more detailed
account of the Alpha Mines and likewise his
advise as to working and also necessary plans
specifications and estimates.

The Success of the Gold Industry turns
largely on the Success of the Alpha, its success
or non success will make or mar Gold, and
no Company can possibly get to work in
less time.

Our

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be dictated.
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the gold exists
to the extent reported
J. M. S. J. J. J.

Our Mr Shaw who was lately in the Wynard
 saw Mr Smyth on the subject, but that gentleman
 said he could not aid the Company without
 the leave of Government, and that aid we
 now ask, we on our part being prepared
 if Mr Smyth's services are given and his
 report favorable, to undertake to raise at once
 another lot of money and interest ourselves
 in the further development of the mine.

Mr Shaw will be glad to wait upon His
 Grace, should he so desire at any time.

We remain Sir,

Yours faithfully
 James G.

Secretaries Treasurers
 T. D. Alpha Gold Mining Co

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Government House

Madras.
25th December 1878.

Gentlemen.

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In reply to your letter of yesterday's date, I am desired by His Grace the Governor to say that Mr. Smyth's services will be needed to complete the duty he is now on for the Government, but His Grace would be obliged by a more distinct statement of what is

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J. M. S. J. J. J.

is desired by the terms "placed
at our disposal."

Yours faithfully
Philip J. Hartman

To Messrs. Parry & Co.

Madras 28th December 1878.

Captain P. J. Hartman R. N.
Private Secretary to
His Grace the Governor.
Madras.

Sir We have the honor to acknowledge
receipt of yours of 25th Instant.

What we would ask is that Mr. Smyth
be allowed to examine the mine and adjacent
ground more thoroughly and say where works
should be raised, what plant would be
necessary, and probable cost of the same.
We believe that Mr. Smyth could do what
is necessary in a very short time, owing to his
long residence in the vicinity and the especial
attention he has paid to this Mine.

With this knowledge the Shareholders would
be able to see their way and to know what
Capital

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has dictated.
Guns and
more for the
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the gold existing
to the extent reported
J. M. S. Jan 1879

Capital was necessary and so get well
into work about October next, while if
Mr Smyth's Services are refused there
may be difficulty in making those
concerned see the advantage of -
providing more money and an indefinite
delay in starting the Gold Industry.

We remain Sir
Yours faithfully
James H.

Secretary Treasurer
I. I. Alpha Gold Mining Co. Ltd

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J. M. S. - James H.

Madras 31 December 1878.

Captain P. J. Hankin R. N. ^{12/3}
Private Secretary to
His Grace The Governor
Madras.

Sir, In reply to yours of 30th Instant,
the area of the Alpha Grant is about
15 acres, all in one block.

Remain Sir

yours faithfully

J. M. S.

Secretaries Treasurers
S. Alpha Gold Mining Co Ltd

Government House

Madras

30th December 1878.

Gentlemen.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Instant, and am desired by His Grace the Governor to say, that he is not aware of the limits or area of the Alpha Grant, and am to request that you will let His Grace know this, as he can

from the minutes
of this order
which knowledge
has dictated.
Signed and
forwarded for
the purpose

The ~~to~~ same
The gold is very
to the extent reported
J. M. S. Gas

can then form a better
idea of the time likely to
be occupied by Mr. B. Smyth
if Government would accede
to request as made, or in any
modified form.

Yours truly
Sof. Philip J. Stanton

Private Secretary

To
Messrs. Parry & Co
Secretaries & Treasurers
S. I. Alpha Gold Mining Co (limited)

By hand of you 12/0

I have received, numbered letter
from agent of Alpha -
It seems to me desirable that if
gold mining is to commence it
should be on good information
and that it is not the intent
of Govt. - that survey should be
waited for want of capital
guidance -
The Alpha grant applicants
include my some 5 acres

of this order
worth hundreds
has dictated.
of good numbers
more for the
into production
The gold existing
to the extent reported
of Mr. J. J. Jones

its thorough investigation would
not require much time
It seems an important part of
the present investigation to show
why - with gold evidences in the
case. The Alpha did not have
said -

This being the only existing
Machine ~~which~~ fitted mine
~~and~~ its investigation will
afford no movement
precedent - I think that

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Prof. Smyth might properly
be requested by Genl. to thoroughly
investigate & report on this ^{case} since the
only one established and the
cause of its non-paying must
be reported to the amount of
gold reported of M.B.S. in the
deep within its grant -
This roll of mine used the
commence of the Co. & show
of mine. His report will be
communicated of Genl.

view of this case
has been handed
to his dictation
of general nature
information for the
investigation

the gold existing
to the extent reported
of M.B.S. has not

If in his opinion the result
 has been from unskilled
 manipulation - badly designed
 or inefficient machinery - cost
 of fuel - or in proper position
 of shaft or - he would
 report it - and the defects -
 If they should agree in this
 view he might be asked to report
 at once - being told at Dec 1878
 I annex a apt. instruction for
 consideration - Mr T.

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 of considerable
 quantities of gold
 in the reefs at the
 Alpha mine -

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 appears of importance
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 the mine with
 the gold existing
 to the extent reported
 by Mr B. S. has not

I will send P.S. of
 the report to the
 Board of Directors
 and the Board of
 Directors will
 be in a position to
 decide upon the
 course to be pursued
 in the matter.

Quite agree in the limited
 amount of this order
 to the personal knowledge
 of the fact has dictated.
 As much ground has
 been done more for the
 benefit of private proprietors

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