

ELDIN COLLIERY COMPANY LTD

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Incorporation Date: 20th August 1883

Registered Office: Bonnyrigg in the Parish of Lasswade, County of Edinburgh.

Directors: Stated in Articles of Association - the first Directors shall be appointed by the Subscribers hereto. There is no mention in the records of any Directors names.

Subscribers were:-

Hugh Shaw Dunn, Colliery Manager, Earlston, by Kilmarnock.

William Lees, Colliery Manager, Maryfield, Bonnyrigg.

William Hillhouse, Ironmonger, Kilmarnock.

Matthew Muir, Builder, Howard Street, Kilmarnock.

Charles Reid, Road Surveyor, LilyMount, Kilmarnock.

Thomas Lyon, Builder, Bank Street, Kilmarnock.

James Gray, Coalmaster, Deanmount, Kilmarnock.

Aims: To adopt and carry out a Contract, or Minute of Agreement dated 4th July 1883, entered into by and between James Craig, Coalmaster, residing at Deanmount, Kilmarnock and others, the partners of and as trustees for the Eldin Colliery Company, and the said Company, the vendors of the one part and Thomas Lyon, Builders, residing in Bank Street, Kilmarnock, as acting for and on behalf of, the Eldin Colliery Company Limited, of the second part and to purchase and acquire the tenants part of the mineral lease of the coals, coal heughs, and coal seams in Eldin Coalfield, in the Parish of Lasswade, and Shire of Edinburgh, mentioned in the said Agreement, and the whole mines, machinery, plant, and apparatus, trade and goodwill, of every kind, belonging to the said first party thereto, in connection with the said mineral leases with the working of the minerals thereby let, and generally with the business carried on by the first party thereto, and the whole buildings and erections built on or held by them in connection with the same, upon the terms of the said Contracts or Agreement or such other terms as may be hereafter agreed upon.

To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any other mines, lands, or mining property, works, buildings, or branch railways in Scotland.

The working and excavating of said Mines, and obtaining the coal, shale and other minerals in the said lands, and treating and operating on the same, and extracting the oil and other products therefrom, the treating and operating on the products so to be extracted and obtained and the refining of same, and the conversion of the same into any other commercial products.

The working and manufacturing acids, alkalies, salts, and other chemical compounds, production, materials, and things in Scotland.

The acquiring or erection of works, furnaces, retorts, kilns, machinery, buildings, and plant for extracting and refining the said oils and other products and for making and manufacturing the said chemical compounds, productions, materials, and things and otherwise for the purposes of the Company in Scotland.

The selling and disposing of any lands, mines, works, and property, shale and minerals, belonging to the Company and of all the products obtained or obtainable therefrom.

***Minute of Agreement Details.**

Agreement between James Craig, Hugh Shaw Dunn, Thomas Hillhouse, William Lees, and Charles Reid, carrying on business in co-partnership as coalmasters under the form of the "Eldin Colliery Company Ltd." hereinafter referred to as the first parties and Thomas Lyon, acting for and on behalf of the Company hereinafter referred to, intended to be incorporated under the Companies Act 1862 and 1867, under the name of the "Eldin Colliery Company Limited" hereinafter called the second party. It is proposed to form a Joint Stock Company for the purpose of acquiring the tenants part of a lease dated the 27th of July and 4th August 1880 entered into between Robert Balfour Wardlaw Ramsay of Whitehill, Tilliecoutry, heritable proprietor of the coalfield and others therein mentioned on the first part and James Eaglesham, Coalmaster, Kilmarnock, on the second part, of all and whole the coals, coal heughs, and seams of coal, in Eldin Coalfield, consisting of these parts and portions of the lands of Pendrigh or Pittendreigh lying within the Barony of Broughton, Parish of Lasswade and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh. Also all and whole the workmens houses and gardens at Eldindean connected with said coalfield, with all powers to the said Robert Balfour Wardlaw Ramsay for the working, winning and carrying away of coals, thereby let, together with the whole powers, rights, leases, authorities and immunities conferred upon the said James Eaglesham by the said James Eaglesham by the said James Eaglesham by the said Lease, and the whole mines, machinery, plant trade and goodwill, and whole other property and effects now belong to the said first party in connection with the business carried on by them, or with the said Lease. To which Lease the said first party acquired right under and by virtue of (first) Assignment by the said James Eaglesham, with consent of the said Robert Balfour Wardlaw Ramsay to and in favour of William Lees, Colliery Agent, Edinburgh, dated 15th and 17th of November 1880, 17th January 1881, and (second) Assignment by the said William Lees with consent of the said Robert Balfour Wardlaw Ramsay in favour of him, the said William Lees, and the said James Gray, Charles Reid, Thomas Hillhouse, Matthew Blair and Hugh Shaw Dunn, as trustees for behalf of the said Eldin Colliery Company dated 27th and 30th December 1880, and 17th January 1881 by which last mentioned Assignment certain provision of the said Lease are altered and modified.

Extraordinary Resolution passed on 20th November, 1885.

"Whereas it has been proved to the satisfaction of Shareholders of this Company that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue in business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same - "Resolved that this Company be wound up, and wound up voluntarily". "That Andrew Rutherford Gray, 15 Maitland Street, Edinburgh, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator to wind up the affairs of the Company and distribute its property".

Winding Up:

Return of Final Winding Up Meeting - 16th December 1887.

Footnotes:

See Whitebogs / Eldin Oil Works. 1870-1874.