GABANINTHA [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° 55' south by Longitude 118° 39' east. Forty kilometres south east of the present town of Meekatharra.¹

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = The name appears as far back as April 1894. Mining leases were taken out here in 1895 and 1895 to 1910 were the peak years for the Gabanintha Mine. 3

In February 1897 a petition from local miners requested that a town be established. This led to a survey being made that July and the final gazettal of the town in November 1898. Town lots were not surveyed until 1905. The name is Aboriginal, of unknown meaning.

KEYSER an Inspector of Aborigines was stationed there circa 1909. 5

Mining continued at the Gabanintha Mine until 1944.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = William SMALL, a storekeeper at Nannine erected a small Hotel there and applied for a licence in 1896/7.

OTHER BUSINESSES

BUTCHER 1 = It is not clear from the source, but Ernie BENDER and his brother may have had a business there. ⁸ **STOREKEEPER 1** = Harry DAWSON kept a store there at an unknown date. ⁹

GALENA

LOCATION = Latitude 27° 49.8' south by Longitude 114° 41.5' east. 10 INDUSTRY =

HISTORY - The settlement was originally named Geraldine in 1920 because of the nearby Geraldine mine, but was renamed to Galena in 1921. The settlement thrived in the 1920's. 12

EDUCATION = A school was started that took students from both Ajana and Galena. ¹³ This presumably the former Surprise Mine School that was established in 1922 and renamed the Galena School in 1927 or 1928 and now closed. ¹⁴

HOTELS - Although alcohol was prohibited it is believed that there were at least six sly grog shops in the area at one time. 15

GALILEA MISSION - CARNARVON AREA

LOCATION = On the bank of the Gascoyne River. Four kilometres from Carnarvon. ¹⁶

INDUSTRY = Anglican Mission for Aboriginal people. ¹⁷

HISTORY = The Welsh born, Edward John Brown GRIBBLE was selected to start this mission in 1885. GRIBBLE was dismissed in July 1886 and the mission closed. It was a two room weatherboard and corrugated iron building. ¹⁸

GAP WELL

LOCATION = Near the abandoned town of Nannine.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

BOARDING HOUSE 1 = Mrs SWINTON had a boarding house there at an unknown date. ¹⁹

GARDEN WELL - Previously known as - GARDNERS WELL. 20

LOCATION = Between the abandoned towns of Cuddingwarra and Day Dawn.

INDUSTRY = Teamsters stopover on the road from Cuddingwarra and Day Dawn. ²¹

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = Charles LONG was granted a wine and beer licence for his large, stone premise there in 1896 and transferred this to Carl HEMINGSON in 1897. 22

GARDNERS WELL - Early name for - GARDEN WELL.

GERALDINE - see - GALENA

GIPPSLAND

LOCATION =Thirty two kilometres north north east of Kanowna. ²³

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

GIPPSLAND HOTEL = George A. COOPER is listed at this hotel in the 1898 postal directory.²⁴

OTHER BUSINESSES

BAKER = Henry WOODWARD is listed as a baker in the 1898 postal directory. ²⁵

BUTCHER 1 = Alexander COOPER is listed as a butcher in the 1898 postal directory. ²⁶

STOREKEEPER 1 & BAKER = Henry ABELL is listed as a storekeeper and baker in the 1898 postal directory. ²⁷

STOREKEEPER 2 & HOTEL & POSTMASTER = George A. COOPER is listed in the 1898 postal directory. ²⁸

GNOWS NEST

LOCATION = Roughly twenty kilometres south east of Yalgoo on the Fields Find road.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = Although some gold had been found in the area previously it wasn't until January 1918 that Lionel William VINCE and John Edgar KIDD applied for the leases that led to the settlement being established. By 1919 the Gnows Nest lease was operating a five stamp battery.²⁹ By 1921 there were ninety men on the field.

POSTAL SERVICES = The post office was operated from Peter COYNE's store and combined Post Office from as early as 1919. This business operated until at least 1922 ³⁰ and presumably continued to offer a postal service.

ACCOMMODATION

BOARDING HOUSE = In about 1921 A. WOINER and A. COOPER opened boarding houses. ³¹

OTHER BUSINESSES

STOREKEEPER = John Lawrence NEVILL managed Peter COYNE's store and combined Post Office from as early as 1919. This business operated until at least 1922.

GOLDEN GROVE - Also known as the - BUSH INN - and - THE SHADOW OF DEATH HOTEL.

LOCATION = South east of Messengers Patch in the Yalgoo district.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = This was originally the pastoral homestead of Thomas OLIVER, but the discovery of gold at Pinyalling and Fields Find in 1894 led to it becoming a stopover point.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION = OLIVER's homestead was licensed as a wayside inn in about 1894. However the name of this hotel is a matter of some confusion as it seems to have commonly been known as the Shadow Of Death, but a date for the use of this name has not been verified.³⁴ The premises are listed as the Bush Inn in a police report made in August 1899 listing T. OLIVER as the operator.³⁵ Unfortunately this entry presents something of a problem because similar entries appear up to at least 1920. Well beyond the demise of the hotel according to other sources.³⁶ Currently the only reference to it being officially known as the Golden Grove hotel comes from a Yalgoo Licensing Court Record in December 1910, which is also the last record of its operation. Mrs OLIVER

GOLDEN VALLEY

POSTAL SERVICES = The post office was opened in 1888. 38

GOODWOOD TIMBER MILL - DONNYBROOK AREA

LOCATION = About ten kilometres south west of DONNYBROOK.

INDUSTRY = Timber.

HISTORY = This timber mill was part of the W.A. Timber Company system based at Lockeville and was one of two mills east of that company's rail system. The mill was presumably established sometime after June 1871 and closed by the time the company was auctioned in June 1888. 40

GOONGARRIE - Originally known as the - 90 MILE - or the - ROARING GIMLET.

LOCATION = Latitude 30° 03' south by Longitude 121° 09' east. 41 On the Government railway line between the present towns of Menzies and Kalgoorlie.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = PICKERSGILL, FROST & CAHILL found gold there in 1893. Some of the local mines were the Lady Montefiore, the Caledonian and the Phoenix. 42

When it was proposed to establish a townsite here in 1894 the area was known as the 90 MILE Camp on account of its estimated distance from Coolgardie. Being located near Lake Goongarrie, the name Goongarrie was chosen for the townsite when it was gazetted in 1895. The meaning of this Aboriginal word is not known.⁴³ 1903 there were only sixty six people in the area.⁴⁴

UTILITIES = The 1897 postal directory includes the Goongarrie Water Supply Company managed by John SPENCE. There were also listings for James BRACKEN as proprietor of a condenser, plus Alfred and D. FLOYED of Floyed Bros as condenser proprietors. 45 Floyed Bros are also listed in the 1898 directory. 46

POLICE & COURTS = Although a record of the transfer of Constables E. McLERNON and E. P. THOMPSON there in May 1897 does exist, 47 it is not certain if this actually occurred. 48

TRANSPORT SERVICES = According to the 1897 postal directory there was a bi-weekly Cobb & Co coach, 49 which by the following 1898 postal directory had been upgraded to a daily coach from Coolgardie. 50 Access by rail was available from the Government lines opening in 1898. 51

POSTAL & COMMUNICATION SERVICES = By 1895 according to one source there was a Post and Telegraph office. 52 Although Askin & Nicolson's store and post office are listed in the 1895 postal directory. 53

TAYLOR, Henry J. S. = He is listed as the Post Master in the 1897 ⁵⁴ and the 1898 postal directory. ⁵⁵ TELEGRAPH OPERATOR

McPHERSON, Murray R. = He is listed as a telegraph operator in the 1898 postal directory. ⁵⁶

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

? HOTEL = There were two hotels in 1895, the other presumably being the Goongarrie. 57

GOONGARRIE HOTEL = The 1895 postal directory lists R A WILLIAMS at the hotel, 58 and Robert A Williams is still listed in the 1897 directory. 59 He is listed at an un-named hotel in the 1898 postal directory. 60

NINETY MILE HOTEL = James P FITZPATRICK is listed in the 1897 postal directory, 61 and is listed at an un-named hotel in the 1898 directory.

By 1903 there was one hotel which may have incorporated a general store. 63

BOARDING HOUSE 1 = Mrs Alice McKENZIE was listed as operating a boarding house in the 1897 64 and the 1898 postal directory. 65 **OTHER BUSINESSES**

AUCTIONEER & AGENT = Alfred MILLER is listed as an auctioneer and agent in the 1897 postal directory. 66

BAKER & BUTCHER = Andrew J FAULDS is listed as a baker and butcher in the 1897 ⁶⁷ and the 1898 postal directory. ⁶⁸ **BLACKSMITH** = Thomas FREEMAN is listed as a blacksmith in the 1898 postal directory. ⁶⁹

BUILDER = William Henry COURT is listed as a builder in the 1897 postal directory. ⁷⁰

BUTCHER 1 & BAKER = Andrew J FAULDS is listed as a butcher and baker in the 1897 71 and the 1898 postal directory. 72

BUTCHER 2 = James WARREN and James BRACKEN of Warren & Bracken are listed in the 1897 postal directory. ⁷

CARPENTER = Charles WOOD is listed as a carpenter in the 1898 postal directory.

COMMISSION AGENT = E. G. DAWES involved with Brown & Co is listed as a commission agent in the 1895 postal directory. ⁷⁵

COOL DRINK MANUFACTURER 1 = Andrew DADDOW, aerated water manufacturer is listed in the 1898 postal directory.

COOL DRINK MANUFACTURER 2 & BUTCHER = James J. WARREN and Robert W. FRANKS of Warren & Franks, aerated water manufacturers and butchers are listed in the 1898 postal directory.

RESTAURANT 1 = James McKENZIE is listed in the 1897 ⁷⁸ and the 1898 postal directory. ⁷⁹

RESTAURANT 2 = J. S. BRAITHWAITE is listed with a restaurant in the 1898 postal directory. 80

STOREKEEPER 1 = Askin & Nicolson's store and post office are listed in the 1895 postal directory. 81

STOREKEEPER 2 = Bews & Co are listed as storekeepers in the 1895 postal directory. 82

STOREKEEPER 3 = Ernest KURTH is listed as a storekeeper in the 1897 83 and the 1898 postal directory. 84

STOREKEEPER 4 = John MEAGHER and Thomas KERNAN of Meagher & Kernan's store are listed in the 1897 postal directory. 85 They are also listed in the 1898 postal directory, but with their names reversed. 86

STOREKEEPER 5 = William TINNION and Percy H. MYHILL of Tinnion & Myhill's store are listed in the 1897 87 and the 1898 postal directory.

STOREKEEPER 6 = Patrick CLANCY and R. HOGAN of Clancy & Hogan's store are listed in the 1898 postal directory. 89

STOREKEEPER 7 = H and T GREEN of Green Bros store are listed in the 1898 postal directory. 90

By 1903 there was a single store which may have been incorporated in the Hotel.

HALLS & CHURCHES = The postal directory lists a Miner's Institute, which included a library in 1897. 92

THE GRANITES - Former name of - YUNDAMINDERA.

GRANTS PATCH

LOCATION =

INDUSTRY - Gold mining.

HISTORY = In September 1894 Alex GRANT and another man lodged a Reward Claim. Some of the local mines were the Bent Tree leases, the Wentworth, the Orinda, the Dundas Gold Mine Company, and the Ora Banda Amalgamated Gold Mine, which was the last mine operating there when it was destroyed by fire in 1948.

GRIFFITHSTON - Former name of - LINDEN.

GULLEWA

LOCATION = Latitude 28° 40' south by Longitude 116° 19' east. 94

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HISTORY = Gold was discovered there in 1894 by Jim BYRNE and GRAY, who made the reward claim and by 1895 the area was comprehensively pegged, with some mines purchased by British investors. By mid 1896 there was considerable machinery installed and development of the field. 95

By 1896 GULLEWA was an important mining centre, and the Gullewa Progress Committee requested the government to declare a townsite. 96 When the town was developed it was positioned away from the mines. 97 A survey was made in 1897 of the already well set out town. The survey of the town provided one hundred and seventy one domestic Lots with seventeen streets. townsite was gazetted in 1898 and derives its name from the nearby Gullewa Spring, first recorded by John Forrest in 1873. The name is Aboriginal, of unknown meaning.

In 1901 there were forty houses, and a population of seventy four males and twenty four females. ¹⁰⁰ Two of the major mines closed down in 1907 and various changes of ownership occurred over the following few years. ¹⁰¹ Mining has sporadically been engaged in at Gullewa up to at least 2008. 102

UTILITIES = Water remained a problem until 1897 when a Government well was dug. ¹⁰³

POLICE & COURTS = The police tent camp was established in September 1896 and in December 1896 permission was received to construct a bush timber lock-up. No record of better accommodation exists, but it is possible that more refined premises may have been constructed before the station closed in June 1907. 104

POLICE OFFICERS

CORRY, Joseph Henry [Constable/ 1st class/ No.208] = He transferred there from Moora in September 1905 and then transferred to Geraldton in March 1906.

DUFFY, Edward [Constable/ 1st class/ No. 90] = He transferred there from Mingenew in September 1896 and then transferred to Thomas in September 1898.

HARDY, Leslie William [Constable/ 2nd class/ No.343] = He transferred there from Perth in April 1898 and then transferred to Katanning in August 1902. 10

SHEIL, James [Constable/ 1st class/ No.128] = He transferred there from Perth in August 1902 and then transferred to Moora in September 1905. 108

SIMPSON, Louis Vincent [Constable/ 1st class/ No.51] = He transferred there from Mingenew in September 1896 ¹⁰⁹ as the original Officer in Charge. ¹¹⁰ and is listed as a Corporal in the 1898 postal directory. ¹¹¹ He transferred to Yalgoo in November 1898. ¹¹² TROTMAN, Albert Howard [Constable/ 2nd class/ No.723] = He transferred there from Geraldton in March 1906 and then

transferred to Day Dawn in May 1907. 113

ABORIGINAL TRACKERS

BILLY = He died on the 18th of September 1898 and is buried at Gullewa. 114

CEMETERY = This was gazetted in August 1897, although two residents were already interred by then. There are seven graves in this small site. 115

EDUCATION = A State school was opened in the Public Hall in October 1897 116 by John BROWN, but moved into a new building later in the year. Thomas LEAHY was a school teacher at GULLEWA from about 30th Jan 1899 until 9th Feb 1903.

TRANSPORT SERVICES = The 1898 postal directory suggests that transport be hired from Wuraga, 117 but by the 1900 directory a regular tri-weekly coach service from Wuraga is listed. 118

POSTAL & COMMUNICATION SERVICES = Mails were bi-weekly by this time in 1897. 119

WHITE, Walter S. = He set up a temporary telegraph office in the police camp in September 1897 while the new Post & telegraph office was being built 120 and is listed as the postmaster in the 1901 postal directory. 121

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

GULLEWA HOTEL 1 = By 1896/7 there was a wayside inn called the Gullewa hotel operated by Thomas JONES, ¹²² and he is listed in the 1898 postal directory. ¹²³ Mary A. JONES is listed at the hotel in the 1900 ¹²⁴ and the 1901 postal directory. ¹²⁵ The original Gullewa hotel burnt down in 1911. ¹²⁶

GULLEWA HOTEL 2 = A licence had been issued to John WARD in 1918 to operate a business trading as the Gullewa hotel, but this was terminated in 1919. 127

MONARCH HOTEL = This corrugated iron building was operated by Richard WEBB who had requested to transfer his licence from CHAIN PUMP to GULLEWA in 1896. ¹²⁸ He is listed there in the 1898 postal directory. ¹²⁹ Gus KREITMAYER is listed at the hotel in the 1900 ¹³⁰ and the 1901 postal directory. ¹³¹ Carl Edward WHELACK was the licensee of the hotel in 1903. ¹³² By 1917 the hotel under its new owner B BALSAM incorporated the store and this arrangement apparently continued on into the early 1920's. 133

YUIN REEF HOTEL = There may have been one other hotel called the Yuin Reef which is recorded as being operated sometime post 1911 by George Jargon JENSEN. This information clashes with information from the same source and may actually relate to the Yuin settlement.

OTHER BUSINESSES

BAKER 1 = By 1896/7 P SCHUMAN of Schuman & Kruger operated as the baker, but it is not known if this was as part of the store or a separate business. ¹³⁴

BAKER 2 & CONFECTIONER = George POTTINGER is listed as a baker and confectioner in the 1898 postal directory. 135

BLACKSMITH 1 = Andrew FAULKNER is listed as a blacksmith in the 1898 postal directory.

BLACKSMITH 2 = John WEARNE is listed as a blacksmith in the 1898 postal directory. ¹³

BLACKSMITH 3 = Edward GAYNOR is listed as a blacksmith in the 1900 postal directory. ¹³⁸

BLACKSMITH 4 = James WHITE is listed as a blacksmith in the 1900 postal directory. ¹³⁹
BLACKSMITH 3 = John HEENAN is listed as a blacksmith in the 1901 postal directory. ¹⁴⁰
BUTCHER = By 1896/7 MORRISSEY was the butcher. ¹⁴¹ By 1898 ¹⁴² until at least 1901 Thomas & Michael MORRISSEY are listed in

CARPENTER 1 = Phillip DUFFIELD is listed as a carpenter in the 1898 ¹⁴⁴ and the 1900 postal directory. ¹⁴⁵ **CARPENTER 2** = James W. LANG is listed as a carpenter in the 1898 ¹⁴⁶ and the 1900 postal directory. ¹⁴⁷

CORDIAL MANUFACTURER = George HICKOX is listed as a cordial manufacturer in the 1898 postal directory. 148

ENGINEER 1 = Fred H. GEARY is listed as an engineer in the 1898 postal directory. ¹⁴⁹

ENGINEER 2 = George Le FEURRE is listed as an engineer in the 1898 postal directory. 150

ENGINEER 3 = Edward MOULE is listed as an engineer in the 1898 ¹⁵¹ and the 1900 postal directory. ¹⁵²

ENGINEER 4 = Fred SQUIRES is listed as an engineer in the 1898 postal directory.

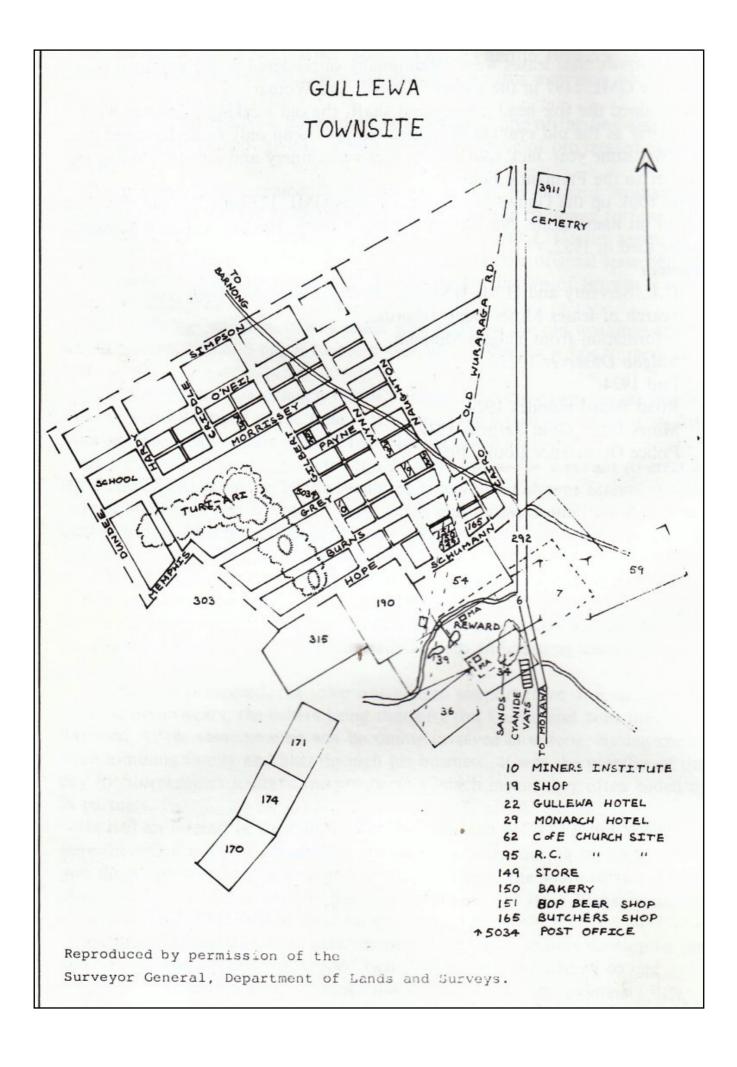
MARKET GARDENER = Louis RHODES is listed as a market gardener in the 1898 postal directory. 154

MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE = This building was possibly used as the school for a period of time. **SADDLER** = Alfred CORNELIUS is listed as a saddler in the 1900 ¹⁵⁵ and the 1901 postal directory. ¹⁵⁶

STOREKEEPER 1 - By 1896/7 there was a store operated by SCHUMAN & KRUGER. ¹⁵⁷ Schumann & Kruger & Co are listed under merchants, with H SCHUMANN as Manager in the 1898 postal directory. ¹⁵⁸ There is an Alfred B ABRAHAMS Managing Kruger & Co listed in the 1900 postal directory, but it is not known if there is an association. 159

STOREKEEPER 2 = Charles BENNETT is listed as a storekeeper in the 1898 postal directory. 160

STOREKEEPER [2] 3 = William R EASSON is listed as a storekeeper in the 1900 161 and the 1901 postal directory. 162



GUMS [THE]

LOCATION = on the old road between the present town of Sandstone and the abandoned town of Lawlers. ¹⁶³ **TRANSPORT SERVICES** = This was a coaching way station. ¹⁶⁴ **HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION**

THE GUMS HOTEL = The hotel was operating circa 1908. 165

GUTHA

LOCATION = Latitude 29° 00' south by Longitude 115° 57' east. About twenty five kilometres north of Morawa. 166

HISTORY = In 1913 it was decided to establish a rail station here on the Wongan Hills to Mullewa railway. The district surveyor suggested the name "Muthingutha", the Aboriginal name of a nearby rockhole. This was shortened to Gutha by the Lands Department, and Gutha siding was established in 1913. The location was gazetted a townsite in 1914. 167

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