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CHARLTON MINE CHIMNEY

This high square chimney, built to provide draught for the steam engine of the Charlton copper mine, stands in an open paddock, the property of Mr R. Zwar, on the main road near the town of Wirrabara, north of Adelaide.

The mineral lease on which it was built was taken out in 1854 by Matthew Forster and Samuel Davenport, but although £20,000 was invested in the workings they had to be abandoned in December 1858 because of heavy flooding.

The solid stone chimney was erected by Thomas Long, who cut his mark, TL conjoined, into the stone. The same mark is also cut into the foundations of Bishop's Court in North Adelaide.

