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MICROPALAEONTOLOGICAL EXAMINIATION OF SAMPLES FROM

E. MILES BORE (WI/2/3) - COVE PRE PURCHASE, PARISH

OF DINYARRAK, COUNTY OF LOWAN, VICTORIA.

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0-15 feet. No sample.

15-65 feet. Yellowish to ochreous sandstone with fine angular grains of quartz. No fossile.

65-87 feet. Coarse ochreous sandstone, with fine angular to coarse, rounded quartz grains. No fossils.

87-93 feet. Ochreous, fine grained micaceous sunistone. No fossils.

93-131 Feet. No samples.

131-133 feet. Fragments of grey flinty limestone containing foraminifera and bryozoa indeterminate. Also fragment of ochreous sandstone.

Whitish bryozoal limestone with fragments of flinty rock and poorly preserved foraminifera, and ostracoda.

Foreminifera: Bolivina victoriana, Cassidulina subglobosa, Ehrenbergina serrata, Guttulina irregularia, G. problema, Globigerinoides trilobus, Globigerina bulloides, Globorotalia dehiscena, Siphonina australia, Eponides scabriculus, E. repandus, E. concentricus, Cibicides sp. 2, Elphidium crassatum, Crespinolla umbonifera, Amphistegina lessonii, Operculina victoriensis.

Ostracoda: Bairdia amygdaloides, Cytheropteron batesfordiense.

150-210 feet. Cream coloured, bryozoal limestone with poorly preserved foreminifers and bryozoa.

Foreminifera: Textularia sp., Frondicularia sp. nov., Sigmomorphina subregularia, Sigmoidella elegantissima, Carpenteria rotaliformis, Gypsina howchini, Discorbia balcombensis, Elphidium parri, Crespinella umbonifera Amphistegina lessonii, Operculina victoriensis (c).

210-250 feet. Whitish bryozcal limestone with foraminifera.

Foreminifera: Guttulina (Sigmoidina) silvestrii, Sigminidella elegantissima, S.kagaensis, Sigmomorphina subregularis, Carpenteria rotaliformis, Calcarina verriculata, Elphidium orassatum, E.chapmani, Crespinella umbonifera, Amphistegina lessonii, Operculina victoriensis.

STRATIGRAPHIC NOTES ON THE SAMPLES.

Eleven samples from 15 feet down to 250 feet were submitted for micropalaeontological examination from E. Miles Bore, Parish of Dinyarrak, County of Lowen which forms part of the Wimmera area.

The following stratigraphic horizons were present in the beres:

Recent to Pleistocene - Surface down to 93 feet.

Middle Miocene (Balcombian Stage) -131 feet down to 250 feet

Ninety-three feet of unfossiliferous sandstones covered the marine Tertiary deposits in this bore.

The first fossiliferous sample was met with at 131 feet and it has been referred to the Middle Miocene. It consisted of bryozoal limestone and fragments of flinty limestone, similar material being encountered in Campbell's Bore from 718 feet down to 851 feet. Bryozoal limestones continued down to 250 feet. They contained a foraminiferal assemblage characteristic of the Balcombian stage. The upper portion of the stage with Austrotrillina howchini and Marginopora vertebralis was absent, but the lower part with Crespinella umbonifera and Operculina victoriensis was well represented.

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