

FASCINATING FIND

SCOTTISH FILE CABINET



This filing cabinet was used by the timekeeper at the famous Scottish Gympie Gold Mines which operated on Monkland from 1896 to 1923 with a workforce of up to 400 employees. It was manufactured as Amberg's Patent Cabinet Letter File, and it measures about 1120mm wide, 860mm high and 360mm deep. (44" x 34" x 14") The cabinet has lockable bi-folding doors which can enclose the 21 drawers have a patented spring and clamp system to hold the file.

After mining finished in Gympie the cabinet found service at Coop's sawmill in Chapple St, and later at Corbet's North Deep Creek mill. It was donated to the museum in the mid eighties by Gympie Timber Company, and it can be viewed in the Gold Room along with many other exhibits from Gympie's golden past.