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INTRODUCTION

Our research was mainly concentrated at the Company's office at 75, Dato Kramat Road, Penang. The necessary Secondary Background reading was done at the University's Library at Minden and also at the company's Library.

The primary data which were available to us consisted of the company's old files in regard to ore deliveries, geographical charges, newspaper cuttings, correspondence letters, statistical figures and others. We were however, ^{not} able to get full sets of files. There were plenty of disconnections between events. There might have been important events of which records were not available. One of the most important records however, that we were looking for but could not get, was the annual reports submitted by the various agents to the Eastern Manager for presentation to the Board after the close of each financial year. Thus we could not embark upon an exclusive history of the company. Instead we have written how it related to the history of the Tin Mining Industry of Malaysia.