

MINING NEWS.

GOLD.

The s.s. Tamar, which left yesterday for Melbourne, took a parcel of gold weighing 370 ozs, valued at £1500, shipped by the Bank of Tasmania.

We are informed that on Saturday last good payable tin was struck on Mr J. R. Smythe's section, below Krushka Brothers' Home and the Arba claims, and fronting on the Ringarooma.

A call of 2d per share has been made in the Pactolus Co., payable on Monday next.

A call, the third, of £1 per promoters' share has been made in the Rock Shaft Co., payable at Lefroy to-day.

A call, the seventh, of 3d per share has been made in the Gladstone Co., payable at Beaconsfield on Wednesday next.

A special meeting of shareholders in the Sir John Franklin Co. is called for the 10th inst. at the office of Mr Henry Edgell, to consider the present position of the Company, and to decide on future operations.

Messrs E. Baker and James Dower notify that transfers from them not lodged by 11th inst. will be sold.

A meeting of promoters in Whyte and DeLittle's Lease (Lefroy), will be held at

the office of Mr Owen Meredith on Monday evening, for the purpose of forming the company, etc.

The half-yearly meeting of the Alpine Company will be held at Hobart on 6th October, to receive the usual reports, etc.

A call, the fifth, of 6d per share has been made in the Great Extended West Chum Company, payable on 7th Oct. It is notified that all shares on which the fourth call of 6d is not paid by 21st Oct. will be liable to forfeiture.

A meeting of the directors of the Bannock Co. was held yesterday, when it was decided that work should be proceeded with at once.

It is notified that unless the second call due on shares in the West Queen's Birthday Company be paid on or before the 15th inst., the shares on which it remains unpaid will be liable to forfeiture.

Mr R. H. Price telegraphed yesterday from Beaconsfield that a cleaning up had taken place in connection with the Tasmania Co.'s claim. 1795 tons of stone had been crushed, the result being a yield of 2344 ozs of amalgam from the plates and ripples, and 2218 ozs from the boxes. A quantity of alluvial also from the same claim was crushed at King and Eastman's battery, and yielded 402 ozs of amalgam. Mr Price also telegraphed that from a

Mr Price also telegraphed that from a quantity of skimmings from the Florence Nightingale Co.'s previous crushings, 69 ozs of gold were obtained.

During the past few days unpleasant rumours have been afloat respecting the United Chum Extended Gold Mining Company, recently floated so successfully by Mr T. C. Just. These rumours have arisen, we understand, from the fact that while the Company was being floated in town one of the leading proprietors at Lefroy sold her interest privately to certain gentlemen from Hobart, who were on a visit to that goldfield. On their return to town they communicated with Mr Just, the result being that they simply step into the position occupied by the person from whom they purchased. We may state that the purchasers are quite satisfied with the manner in which the Company has been floated, although they were not parties to the original arrangement, and they are more than satisfied with the prospects of the mine—a fact fully proved by their great desire to secure the interest, which they have fortunately obtained.

Mining managers and others report as under:—

BEACONSFIELD.

West Tasmania.—Sept. 29—I have driven 5ft for the week, the total distance driven now being 419ft. The country has been very hard during the week, but a change has come in, and I expect to make better headway. Yesterday I cut some veins of quartz.

LEFROY.

Windermere.—Sept. 28—I am now in 8½ft from the shaft with the chamber. The driving is a little easier than it was and more black slate. I will be able to get into the reef without erecting the whip, as the water is not heavy and the expenses are not quite so much as the whip would be, as I can do with three men on each shaft.

BACK CREEK.

East Try Again.—Sept. 28—I have sunk No. 2 shaft 8ft for the week, making a total distance of 21ft from the surface. The country is getting a little more defined and making some water. There are strong indications of a reef close at hand.

MOUNT ROLAND.

(From a Correspondent.)

An extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the Star of the West Gold Mining Company, Mount Roland, was held at Deloraine on the 29th ult., to consider the advisableness of readjusting the capital of the Company and the future working of the mine, etc. The meeting was large and influential, and Mr Fitzgerald was elected chairman. The legal manager (Mr Andrew Reid) explained the object of the meeting, and after considerable discussion, a proposition from the promoter shareholders, that they should relinquish 400 of their paid-up

sition from the promoter shareholders, that they should relinquish 400 of their paid-up shares to the Company, for the purpose of assisting in the purchase of machinery, was adopted, and the necessary undertakings given. The present mining operations, viz., the sinking of the main shaft by contract, were discussed, and the directors assured the meeting that no time would be lost in the purchase and erection of the necessary crushing plant. After hearing the reports of the visiting local directors as to the richness of the deposits and the evident wealth of the mine, and the manager's statement as to the satisfactory state of the Company financially, a vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the meeting.