

## GOLD.

The manager of the New Chum Company (Mr R. H. Price) received a telegram yesterday afternoon from the mining manager reporting that the reef at the No 3 level had been struck, and was showing good gold, 78ft from the shaft.

Mr J. G. Payne, formerly manager of Dally's United and the Olive Branch claims at Beaconsfield, has been appointed mining manager of the Royal Tasman Company, Gladstone.

Notice is given that all shares in the Who Can Tell Company, upon which the second call of sixpence remains unpaid, will be liable to forfeiture after the 13th December; also all shares in the South Mint Company, upon which the fourth call of threepence remains unpaid, will be liable to forfeiture after the 5th December.

A call, the third, of ninepence per share has been made in the East Golden Era Company, payable on Saturday next.

A call, the third, of ninepence per share has been made in the Grand Flaneur Company, payable on the 6th December.

A call, the fourth, of threepence per share has been made in the Mount Wilson Company, payable on the 14th December.

A meeting of the shareholders in Taylor's lease will be held at Ward's Hotel, Lefroy, on Saturday next, to adopt deed of association, appoint legal manager, directors, etc.

Mr M. Stackhouse notifies that if all transfers given by him in the West Tasman Company are not lodged before Saturday next, they will be sold to pay calls.

Mr Robert Carter notifies that he has been appointed manager of the West Chum Company, and that the office of the Company has been removed to Patterson-street.

Mining managers report as under :—

## LEFROY.

*The Brother Scots.*—Nov. 26—I have driven during the week 24ft from No. 2 shaft, nearer the southern boundary. The country gone through has been very favourable for driving, and I have met with a great many small quartz leaders, although I have not come quite up to where the gold-bearing stone was got on the surface.

*Rising Sun.*—Nov. 28—I have opened out and am driving for the lode. I met with a very good country in the shaft, and I thought it advisable to go down in it to open out. I am now down 85ft in very good ground, and I think it advisable to go to the reef, as I am down this depth.

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*West Calder.*—Nov. 26—I am still driving in a nice soft sandstone country, with a great many flat leaders and small seams of slate. I have driven 18ft during the week, and think I shall cut the reef about Wednesday.

*South West Chum.*—Nov. 26—During the week I have sunk No. 2 shaft 27ft, and shall now open out at this depth and drive south to connect the two shafts. We struck several leaders all dipping towards the main shaft.

*West New Chum.*—Nov. 28—During the week main shaft has been sunk 5ft 6in, making the total depth from the bottom of No. 3 level 35ft, the ground being much tighter this week for sinking. The No. 3 level west drive is in 229ft from the crosscut making 8ft driven for the week. The reef is 2ft wide. All the stopes are looking very well. The machinery is all in good working order.

*Land O' Cakes.*—Nov. 26—We have now driven the course of the reef west, a distance of 40ft without any change worth noting, we have still 22ft to drive before getting under the prospecting shaft over which I have placed a windlass, and are preparing timber so if necessary, I can sink and meet the uprise from present level.

*Caledonian.*—Nov. 28—During the week the shaft has been sunk a further distance of 11ft 6in, making a total from the No. 1 level of 82ft. The ground is the same as last report.

## BALINBURY.

*Victoria.*—Nov. 28—On Saturday last I came on some stone showing good gold,

and to-day I washed a fair prospect. I have extended the main tunnel 8ft since my last report. It is still stopping east, and I am breaking down some nice-looking dirt, also stopping from the No. 1 rise.

*Pactolus.*—Nov. 28—I have driven 19ft for the week; total distance, 30ft from the shaft. The ground is harder, and the lode is getting more solid, going north. There are 10in of stone at present, but underlaying very much to the east. I think it will join with some other lode not far off.

## BEACONSFIELD.

*Florence Nightingale.*—Nov. 29—Sinking was progressing satisfactorily until about noon yesterday, when a sudden burst of water came up from the bottom of the shaft in the south-east corner, and the water rose to the No. 2 plat. I disconnected the draw-lift, and continued pumping with the plunger. I will again connect the draw-lift this afternoon, and will try to take the water out of the shaft. I am of opinion the water has broke away from the lode worked south of shaft. It may possibly take off

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GLADSTONE.

*Royal Standard.*—Nov. 26—I have great pleasure in reporting that the prospects of your mine are still improving. The last shot fired disclosed better gold than any we have seen yet. I send a bag of stone by Mr Lamond. I also placed two men to cut into reef 360ft north of the No. 1 shaft, and we have seen gold in the solid stone, thus proving the shoot of gold along your reef for the above distance. As I mentioned before, it is my opinion that this will prove to be the best line yet discovered in this district. I shall get a trial crushing through as soon as the battery can be obtained.