

MINING NEWS.

GOLD.

The manager of the United Chum Co. (Lefroy), received a telegram last evening stating that the first crushing with five head at the West Chum battery had been cleaned up. There were 90 tons stone put through and 587oz amalgam (406oz from boxes and 181oz from plates and ripples) had been obtained, but would not be retorted till to-day. It is however evident that the yield will be very satisfactory.

Application is made to register the United Chum Extended Company, Lefroy.

It is notified that all shares in the Waverley Company, upon which the first call of 3d remains due, shall be liable to forfeiture should the amount be unpaid fourteen days from date.

A call, the third, of 3d has been made on all shares in the West Tasman Company.

Mining managers report as under :—

BEACONSFIELD.

Tasmania.—Nov. 7.—The reef in the surface cutting is 33ft wide, with good payable stone. The reef in the stopes at the top tunnel west averages 3ft wide, all showing gold. At the lower level going west the reef is 6ft wide, with two good defined walls, and the stone showing first-rate gold. In the stopes in the lower tunnel going east the reef is 2ft wide, and west of the cross-course it is 6ft wide. This is our best stone. In the west level the reef is 3ft wide. I have very good gold in the three rises that have been put up between the two levels.

SALISBURY.

Victoria.—Nov. 7.—The cross-cut has been extended 8ft, there still being a little quartz in it. I am still prospecting at the bottom of the winze, and have also extended the north-west drive 10ft. I have cut some quartz leaders and got a little gold, and will follow them up. The battery and machinery is working well.

Gem.—Nov. 7.—I have driven 5ft for the week, or a total of 103ft. The country is the same as last reported, intermixed with quartz leaders. I hope soon to experience a change for the better.

Blue Tie Tunnelling.—Nov. 7.—In the No. 1 tunnel I have since my last report driven 15ft, making the total length of the tunnel 112ft. In the No. 2 tunnel I have driven 22ft for the week, making the total length of the tunnel 140ft. The appearance of the country in both tunnels, but particularly in No. 2 improves as we get into the hill.

MANGANA.

Alpine.—October 29 :—The men are still raising stone from the south shaft.

Alpine.—October 29 :—The men are still raising stone from the south shaft, and it looks very well. I will start the battery in a few days. At present we are busy clearing a road to the new tunnel, and doing other necessary work in connection with it. With reference to the long distance to be driven in this tunnel, I do not think it will be felt with the boring machine, providing it is the best of its kind. I think the machinery to work it could be purchased cheaper here. The great depth of the tunnel from the summit of the hill, and the consequent extra driving to do, will be more than counter-balanced by the easy transit of stone direct from the tunnel to the battery.—*Mercury.*