

**MINING NEWS.****GOLD.**

It is notified that unless the seventh and other outstanding calls due in connection with the Windermere Company are not paid by 7th January, legal proceedings will be instituted against the defaulting shareholders.

A gentleman just arrived from Camden Plains has brought the gratifying intelligence that the prospectors of the Camden Prospecting Association, Messrs Weetman and Crockford, have come upon the reef on the side of the hill, about 50 yards from the creek. The reef has two well-defined walls, is about 10in thick, and carries rich gold, a few pounds' weight of stone brought down by him prospecting splendidly upon being crushed. The reef was cut about 6ft from the surface, and is widening as they sink upon it.

**FURTHER CRUSHINGS AT LEFROY. 2089oz. 10 dwts. GOLD, VALUE £11,058.**

On Tuesday and yesterday no less than four cleanings up from different crushings took place at Lefroy, with the result given below :—

The crushing for close upon five weeks of 1096 tons from the west New Chum Company's mine at their battery, produced 5400oz. amalgam, which yielded 1894ozs. retorted gold, value £7576, giving an average yield of 1oz. 14dwts. 13½grs. to the ton.

A cleaning up from a crushing of 570 tons stone from the New Chum Company's mine, at the New Native Youth Company's battery, took place on Tuesday, and a telegram was received yesterday by the manager, stating that 2613oz amalgam were obtained (1578oz from plates and ripples, and 1035oz from the boxes), yielding 1000oz retorted gold, value £4000, giving an average yield of 1oz 15dwt 2gr to the ton.

A cleaning up also took place of a crushing of stone from the New Native Youth Company's mine. The quantity of stone put through is not stated, but 83oz 5dwt gold, value £333, were obtained.

The Golden Era Co. also cleaned up a small crushing of 23 tons stone at the New Native Youth Co.'s battery, which yielded 12oz 5dwt retorted gold, value £49, giving an average of 8dwt 18gr to the ton.

The various cakes of gold will be brought up to town to-day, and lodged in the various banks of the companies mentioned.

**Mining managers report as under :—**

**BEACONSFIELD.**

**Leviathan.**—Dec. 21.—I have to report reef dipping fast, going east; have sunk

reef dipping fast, going east; have sunk a winze on it three feet, prospects about the same, and keeps the same width; washed a good prospect from winze showing gold in stone.

**Blyth's Freehold.**—Dec. 19.—I have driven the required distance, namely, 12 feet. I started to rise on Friday, and have been retarded very much through bad air. Since I got the pipes connected we have been able to make better progress.

**Rising Sun.**—Dec. 19.—The contractors have met with a favourable change in the country driven through, and have extended the tunnel 18ft for the week.

**Blue Tier Tunnelling.**—Dec. 19.—The contractors in the No. 1 tunnel have driven 28ft for the week, having met with some softer country. The tunnel is now 214ft in length. The contractors in the No. 2 tunnel have finished their contract to drive 100ft, making the length of this tunnel 260ft. There is no change to report in the country gone through.

**SALISBURY.**

**Pactolus.**—Dec. 19.—The tunnel has been driven a further distance of 18ft for the week in slate country, with plenty of quartz in bunches and leaders, all bearing towards the lode. Should the lode continue the same underlay as in the old workings, we ought to strike it in the tunnel shortly after the new year.