

# GOLD.

A meeting of shareholders in the East Try Again claim, Back Creek, will be held at the office of Mr Henry Turner on Wednesday evening for the formation of the Company, election of officers, etc.

Application is made to register the Grand Centre Company, North Mount Cameron.

## BEACONSFIELD.

*Britannia.*—Mr Hicks, mining manager, reports that in sinking the shaft at a depth of about 30 feet from the surface he cut a strong leader.

*Tasmania.*—The mining manager writes on the 10th inst. :—The main tunnel is in a little better ground, and I hope to strike the reef east (at upper workings) within a week. All the stopes east and west of top shaft show fair gold. At the Golden Gate we are now fairly started in the face. The reef here is small, but I have two good walls.

*West Tasmania.*—The mining manager reports on the 9th inst. :—The tunnel is driven 65 feet from the mouth. Country brown slate, with water making from face.

## BLUE TIER.

*Victoria.*—The mining manager writes on the 9th inst. :—Since last report I have been engaged timbering up, the ground being so soft. I will finish the timbering to-night and start driving again, and hope soon to see something of the reef. There is a deal of water coming out of the face. I have commenced to work in the winze, and I do not think we shall have much water to contend with. It will take a day or two to square up before commencing to sink.

(From our own Correspondent.)

*Gladstone.*—The mining manager reports under date 7th June :—"The drive is in 28ft from tunnel, with a little gold in the end; there is also a good deal of quartz making in the face, from which I can get a little fine gold in the dish, but it is poor as yet. Yesterday we cut some red puggy stuff, which I think will make a change in a foot or so. Altogether I think there is a decided improvement." In my last report from the Blue Tier two typographical errors occurred, regarding the Gladstone; it should have read driving along the "lode," not the "level; and re Victoria, the country is "softer," not "solid."

June 9th.

## LEFROY.

*Pinnafire.*—The mining manager, under date 8th inst., reports :—I am glad to report that I have cut the reef. In my telegram to you I was unable to give the width of the reef, but after some hard work I managed to get the water down, and inspected the workings. I find the reef about 9in wide and very like Chum stone, but fancy there is another body of quartz further ahead (south), as the water is coming very strong from that way, and I got everything secure, and will have to knock off until something is erected. I would advise a whim to be put up at once,

which will be sufficient (for a time) to prove the stone. The legal manager, Mr Crawford, adds :—"The manager has received instructions to at once put up a whim or obtain an engine."—*Mercury.*

The Port Cygnet correspondent of the *Mercury* is creditably informed that "Messrs Thos. Strong, Hill and Co., struck a reef on Wednesday afternoon at Leamington, running due south of the Star of the South reef; this, I am informed, is to be called the Boomer of the South, as it is expected it will be between 10ft and 20ft wide. The cap is not yet stripped across, and from what I can learn, it is surmised that it is a continuation of the Star of the South reef." It will be remembered that this is the locality in which Mr Thomas Strong procured all his alluvial gold from."