

GOLD.

Mr Edward Healy has been appointed mining manager of the Progress Company, (Gladstone), and will proceed without delay and prosecute operations on the claim vigorously.

At a meeting of the directors of the South-West Chum, Co., Lefroy yesterday, it was decided to accept the tender of Messrs. Hunkin and party to extend the south drive another 100ft., at the rate of 25s per foot. This drive is already 108ft. from the shaft, and water is making freely in the face. The contractors are confident of striking a body of stone before long.

A call, the second, of 3d per share has been made in the West Queen's Birthday Co., payable on Saturday.

A mining manager is required for the Land o' Cakes Co., Lefroy.

Holders of interests in Goodall and Carter's leases, at Mangana, known as the New Union Co., are requested to meet at the office of Mr R. Carter on Monday next, to consider the position of the Company, and the advisableness of commencing operations.

The statement of accounts of the winding up of the Laura Reefs Company by the official agent, Mr J. F. Hobkirk, appears elsewhere. This company has paid 20s in the pound, and it appears as if there would be something over to return to the shareholders.

A call (the fifth) of 6d per share has been made in the Royal Tasman Company, payable on 9th inst.

Application is made to register the Waverly Company, whose claim is at Lefroy.

Shareholders in the Band of Hope Company are requested to attend a meeting at the Mechanics' Institute on Friday evening.

FURTHER CRUSHING AT LEFROY, 1382 OZS. 2 DWTS. GOLD—VALUE, £5528 4s.

The gold obtained from the cleaning up from the crushing of the New Chum Company, Lefroy, mentioned in our last issue, was brought to town yesterday, and lodged at the Commercial Bank. The 120 tons stone crushed yielded 1300ozs. 2dwts. retorted gold, value £5200 4s, and giving the handsome average of 3ozs. 2dwts. to the ton.

Mr R. H. Prior was advised yesterday that the crushing from the New Native Youth Company had yielded 82ozs. gold, but the number of tons put through the battery was not stated, nor was the gold received in town yesterday.

Mining managers report as under :—

LEFROY.

United Chums.—July 30—The contractors are down 140ft. with the main shaft and sinking is progressing favourably.

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East New Chum.—July 30—I am down 11ft. with the winze. There is about 6in. of stone in the footwall, carrying fine gold.

East New Chum Extended.—July 30—I have extended the cross-cut a further distance of 5ft., making a total of 115ft., and along the leader east 3ft. I have started to open out at 47ft. up the shaft, and have got the opening set in and commenced to drive for the lead.

Chance.—August 2—I have got the reef in the north drive about 18in. wide, nice-looking stone, but no gold as yet.

GLADSTONE.

Golden Age.—July 30—On No. 1 reef the cross-cut at the 80ft. level is now 14ft. from the chamber. There is still stone in the face, but not at present solid, it having the appearance of being nearly through the course of the reef. The prospects tried during the week have given similar results to those previously tried at this level. On the No. 2 reef we are down 24ft. from the surface. Quartz leaders continue to intersect the country. Any trials made from the leaders have produced gold, and some prospects have been very good.

Mount Cameron.—July 30—The shaft has been sunk 25ft, and timbered down: It is in first-rate ground.

SALISBURY.

Victoria.—August 1—The drive from the tunnel is in 114ft. The ground is good, and we shall be able to get on well now. I expect to have to drive 50ft

further to cut the shoot of gold, if it continues to dip as it did from the surface down to the 70ft level. I have the rise and winze connected, and have now got good air in the workings. I have to put a pass in the winze, and will then commence to break down stone. The race is almost completed, and I have commenced the fluming.

Welcome.—August 1—The winze is down 28ft. There is a great improvement in the country, it being now decomposed slate or pug with the track of the lode.

Gladstone.—The newly appointed mining manager, Mr David Ryan, reports as follows, under date August 1st :—"I beg to report that on Monday, July 25, I took charge of your claim, and thoroughly inspected the workings in order to become acquainted with the mine. I found the tramway considerably out of repair, so employed the week in repairing it, getting tools in order, preparing for the erection of blacksmith's shop, etc. To-day resumed work in the No. 2 drive. The country is remarkably hard and full of

sumed work in the No. 2 drive. The country is remarkably hard and full of quartz leaders, heavily charged with pyrites. Expect to have the shop and hut up in about a week's time."

DENISON.

Royal Treasury.—July 30—The contractors are now down 47ft, the last 8ft being particularly hard blue sandstone, intersected by quartz leaders. They are now through it, and I hope will finish in a few days; I will then push on for 70ft, which depth I think can be reached with the windlass. The water at present is not very heavy.
