

by a winze of 150 feet. They have erected a shoot 400 feet long, also a receiving paddock capable of holding 200 tons of stone. Some time ago 50 tons of stone was crushed, and yielded 1 oz. 15 dwt. to the ton. There are ten men engaged in the mine. The reef varies from 10 to 2 feet.

The Victor Emanuel Company have driven two tunnels: No. 1, 150 feet; and No. 2, 230 feet; also an intermediate. They are now sinking a shaft of 140 feet, and are down 45 feet. The prospects in this mine have been very good, and should they continue the company intend erecting a battery on the ground. The reef averaged 2 feet, with payable stone, showing gold throughout.

The Lyell Extended Company have driven 700 feet of their tunnel. They have done good work, and laid down iron rails; but have suspended work for some months, until they can procure a rock-boring drill, to drive the remaining 1,200 feet; and the directors have been making several calls for that purpose. Nothing has been done on the lease or special claim granted on Manuka Flat.

The construction of the horse-track from Hampden to Glenroy, of which twenty miles have been completed, with eight more now under construction, has been a great boon to the miners and settlers in that locality.

The Clerk of the Court at Lyell attends at Hampden, twenty-five miles from Lyell, every three weeks, to transact business with the miners; and sittings of the Court are held there every six weeks. The Courts are held in the large public hall erected by Mr Moonlight, who has also provided a private room adjoining for an office, where the books and forms required for the Court can be safely kept.

The annexed table shows that calls amounting to £16,013 have been made by the several companies, whilst only one company declared a dividend, of £900. There have been 7,277 tons of quartz crushed, yielding 3,948 oz. of gold.

TABLE showing AMOUNT of CALLS made, DIVIDENDS, &c., declared, in the Buller District from 1st April, 1882, to 31st March, 1883.

Name of Company.	Calls made.			Dividends declared.			Quartz crushed.		Yield.
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Tons.	lb.	oz. dwt. gr.
Try-Again Gold-Mining Company (Limited) ...	750	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
South Pacific Extended Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	328	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
Great Republic Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	475	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Reefton No. 1 Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	100	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guiding Star Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	850	0	0	...	...	...	0	750	5 18 12
Christmas Eve Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	300	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Golden Crown Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	200	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mokihinui Morning Star Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	200	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Red Queen Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	400	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mokihinui Gold-Mining Company (Limited) ...	50	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Golden Sign Quartz-Mining Company ...	500	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Lyell Sub-district.</i>									
United Alpine Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	800	0	0	...	...	...	5,890	0	2,601 19 18
United Italy Gold-Mining Company (Limited)...	700	0	0	900	0	0	450	0	511 15 12
Victor Emanuel Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	1,100	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cosmopolitan Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	350	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Day-star Gold-Mining Company (Limited) ...	600	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cræsus Gold-Mining Company (Limited) ...	2,875	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Time-will-Tell Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	200	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
No. 1 South Cræsus ...	100	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Republic Quartz-Mining Company (Limited) ...	500	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
No. 2 Alpine Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	300	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ballarat Quartz-Mining Company (Limited) ...	408	6	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
South British Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	458	6	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Caprera Quartz-Mining Company (Limited) ...	131	5	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sydney Quartz-Mining Company (Limited) ...	41	13	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tyre Connell Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	150	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Outward Bound Gold-Mining Company (Limited)	83	6	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
United Victory Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	1,662	10	0	...	...	...	937	0	829 0 0
Lyell Creek Extended Quartz-Mining Company (Limited)	1,400	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ... ..	16,013	10	10	900	0	0	7,277	750	3,948 13 1