

The School of Mines - Ballaashah
Council Jan 15th 1875
Meeting } at 9. 10 P.M.

Present Mr. Cassell Esq. in the Chair
Councillors - Bickett, Davney, Kettle
Sergeant and Usher Esq.

The minutes of the two previous meetings
were read and confirmed.

A letter from His Honor the Vice-President
explaining, in consequence of his inability
to attend, his views on the matter of
lecturing apparatus for treatment of Pyrites,
having been read

Mr. Sergeant moved

That Usher seconded, and it was carried

That Messrs. the Superintendent of Laboratories
and the Architect be respectfully requested
to bring up a Report in detail, with a plan
of construction, estimated cost, advantages &
principles of the proposed method of treating
Pyrites at the School, as adapted for the
extraction of the Gold only, as well as also
for the utilization of the by-products arising from
such treatment
of Pyrites.

Moved by Mr. Davney

Seconded by J. F. Usher Esq. & carried

That the Council are of opinion that it would be
practicable to make use of money from the Special
Donations ^{to} fund the Pyrites fund as suggested,
but that special efforts be made to obtain the
 requisite fund, partly by small subscriptions
 from Claims and if possible partly by a Grant

from the Crown, if necessary: further that the
Treatment of Pyrites at the School be primarily
for the instruction of Students, even although
the operations involve expense not covered by
the "outcome": Lastly that the Vice President's letter
be acknowledged with thanks, but not published
at least at the present time.

Moved by C. Kettle

Seconded by Mr. Davney and carried

That His Honor the Vice President be thanked
for his suggested alterations of Statute and that
the same be adopted: also that application
be made to His Honor the Minister of Mines for
the necessary forms of Certificates required by
such awarded Statute.

The Registrar Mr. Low on behalf of the
President of the Board of Examiners reported

That three Candidates presented at the recent
Examination for Certificates as Underground
Managers in Alluvial Gold Mines: two of the
Candidates holding 2nd class Certificate of the
School: the Board were unable to recommend
the issue of any Certificate.

A question having arisen as to the formation
of a Class in Geomorphology being formed in the
School, the Council resolved that such class
be not so formed.

Moved by J. F. Usher Esq.

Seconded by Mr. Sergeant and carried

That Mr. Cassell Esq. and the Registrar
Mr. Low make suitable arrangements with
Collectors, determining if necessary the
Agreement with Mr. Talpatrie.

It was resolved that an Examination
in Telegraphy be held in April next