

The School of Mines Ballarat  
Special Meeting of Council { Thursday Evening  
March 25<sup>th</sup> 1879.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair  
Councillors His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat  
Messrs. Caselli Esq., Preshaw, Noble Wilson,  
Usher Esq., Robson, Glude and Barnard

### Business

To receive Report re Deputation,  
and to consider proposal of Minister of Education

The Report having been read and received  
Dr. Usher said he hoped the intention of Government  
was not to convert this Institution into a State School.

The Bishop whilst expressing himself adverse to such  
an idea if retained, which he thought was not the  
case, advocated the advantages likely to accrue from  
the Government proposal. Mr. Caselli acquiesced  
Mr. Robson thought the matter should not be  
determined hastily & in this Mr. Preshaw concurred  
Dr. Usher was willing to adopt a suggestion thrown  
out by the Vice-President and thereupon

Resolved - That 20 bursaries be allowed for every  
£100 of subsidy - two, to be free.

After further discussion of the subject  
Mr. Wilson moved

Dr. Usher seconded - That the Vice-President, the  
Lord Bishop, and the Registrar interview the Minister  
of Education on Saturday next, if possible, with  
the view of obtaining from Government some  
definite proposition as to the support that would

be given if State Exhibitions were agreed upon  
Carried

The Registrar to make arrangements for the  
Minister being waited on.

The Bishop drew the attention of the Council to the  
implied desire of Government to grant a  
freehold of the School's land

Mr. Wilson moved

Dr. Usher seconded - That the Minister of Lands  
be asked to have the land surveyed & put on Plans,  
to facilitate an application to be made to him, in  
accordance with his expressed opinion that the  
Government wd be disposed to grant the land to the  
School Carried.

### Notice of Motion

The Bishop gave notice that at the next  
ordinary meeting of the Council he would move  
that the Statute No. 1 Cap. 1 be so far altered as to  
allow of the Council meeting at 4 P.M. in lieu  
of 8 P.M.

On the Motion of Mr. Noble Wilson, a special  
Vote of Thanks was passed to the gentlemen  
attending the Deputation on the 13<sup>th</sup> Inst.

### Petition

Mr. Noble Wilson stated he had been asked  
to present a Petition to the Council from  
certain Students

J. M. Caselli

Chairman

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