

The School of Mines Ballarat

Special Meeting } Thursday Evening
of the Council } June 19th 1879.

Present - The Vice-President (in the chair),
Councillors His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat,
A. B. Caselli, J. P., J. Hyde, ^{J. H. H. H.} R. W. Newman, G. O. Preshaw,
J. F. Usher, M. D., and W. M. Barnard. Rev. W. Henderson
arrived too late to take part in the meeting.

Business: - To make definite arrangements
for the conduct of a class in Materia Medica

The Registrar gave short account of
the circumstances leading up to the present
position of the subject, the full particulars
of which are recorded in preceding minutes.
Mr Caselli referring to some remarks which
had been made by Dr Usher at a recent
meeting said he had understood that that
gentleman would undertake the duties of
Lecturer.

The Vice-President confirmed this view
and in explaining the requirements of a
Lecturer in the subject paid a very flattering
compliment to Dr Usher whose despatch
for clearness and method, he said, was not
to be surpassed.

Dr Usher regretted that he could not accept
the position of Lecturer having previously
declared that he would not. he however
offered his services in the way of assisting
the Vice-President if he could see his

way to become the lecturer in the subject
of Materia Medica. after a time if Dr
Usher found it necessary to resign then he
might feel himself at liberty to take the
office in succession.

The Bishop enquired if it were not possible
for Dr Usher to be absolved from the vow
he admitted having made in an unguarded
moment.

Dr Usher replied negatively, reiterating his
suggestions as above. Whereupon it was
moved by Mr Newman

seconded by Mr Caselli and carried

That R. F. Hudson M.D. be appointed
Lecturer in the subject of Materia Medica

{ The understanding being that
Dr Usher at the request of the Lecturer
would practically undertake the
instruction of the Class }

The gentlemen chiefly interested in these
arrangements having expressed themselves
willing to carry them out, It was
moved by Mr Preshaw

seconded by the Lord Bishop and carried

That J. F. Usher M.D. B.S.M.D. be
appointed Asst. Lecturer in the subject of
Materia Medica

The Council then adjourned.

R. W. Newman