

The Registrar reported:-

1. That Mr McCaw one of the Trustees under the Will of the late Jacob Upfold had promised to hand over the Request in the course of a few days.

2. That £1000 portion of the Grant-in-Aid had been received.

3. That the Council had appointed Mr Day, Gardener as recommended by this Council at their last meeting.

4. That the Hon. W. J. Clarke M.P. had intimated his willingness to accept the position of Trustee of the School.

5. That arrangements were made as to the Insurance of the new Buildings.

6. That the General Manager of the Railways (Victoria) had again issued instructions as to the free carriage of packages for the School of Mines Bazaarat.

7. That the purchase of an Engine for the School being urgent advertisements had been published, and Tenders in reply were on the table. The Engine was immediately required for the Grinder & Amalgamator, and could be utilized for teaching Engine-driving it would also be wanted for the Work shops in connection with Mechanical Engineering.

8. That the Notices to the Lecturers as to the determination of existing Agreements would be served immediately the form was drafted by the Honorary Solicitor.

It was resolved:

That the Registrar's report be received and adopted.

That a Committee consisting of Councilors Hoelscher, Beckett & Barnard confer with Mr Lecturer Shaw as to the selection and purchase of a suitable Engine & Boiler.

That the Accounts amounting to £39.18.8 be passed for payment.

Class in Oil Painting

D. Usher moved.

Mr Beckett seconded. That provided there were six paying Students arrangements be made with Mr. L. Price to teach Oil Painting at the School of Mines for a period of three months at the rate of £100 p annum.

The Registrar pointed out that this expenditure had not been approved by the Council and that at the present time there was not any room available for such a Class.

It was urged that this was only of the nature of an experiment.

Attention was again called to the fact that the School was paying a large sum of money for work supposed to be done. No other action was taken as the Notices were so soon to be sent out.

Confirmed

James D. Hill  
2 March 1884