

The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of Administrative Council } Wednesday 4. 30 P.M.
 February 7th 1883.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair
 Councillors W. P. Becherwise, W. Caselli, J. P., S. E. Figgis,
 F. J. Martell, W. St. Nicholls, and Theo-Williams J. P.

Business: - To pass Accounts, and to transact ordinary business.

Minutes of meeting held 10th January ult. were read and confirmed on the motion of C^r Becherwise, seconded by C^r Caselli.

Correspondence for the past month was submitted including letters inwards Nos 1102 to 1138

Donations received since last meeting were thankfully acknowledged on the motion of C^r Figgis seconded by C^r Martell

Finance - Last Balance - C^r £ 507. 0. 4

January - Receipts - 1105. 16. 6

- " - Expenditure 162. 9. 6 C^r 943. 7. 0
 Balance C^r £1450. 7. 4

Accounts to pass

Announcements, Salaries, Wages for the month		Amount	Balance Forward	£ 163. 15. 3
4 January 1883 -	£ 120. 2. 0	Ballarat Gas C ^r		7. 17. 0
L. Grant	1. 0. 0	James Curtis		3. 19. 6
Evans, & Wormull	10. 14. 7	Geo. Robertson		5. 17. 11
Victoria Lime Cement C ^r	2. 0. 6	W. J. Thomas		1. 0. 0
Steinfeld, Levinson, & C ^r	11. 2. 0	Petty Cash		8. 2. 10
E. Robins	3. 6. 0	Cornell, King		1. 7. 6
Henry G. Bobardt	13. 10. 2	W ^m McCulloch, & C ^r		1. 7. 9
Band & Albion Consoles	2. 0. 0	Prop ^r "Evening Post"		1. 17. 0
	163. 15. 3	James B. Powell		1. 6. 0
		Prop ^r "Chemist & Druggist"		3. 0. 0
		F. W. Niven, & C ^r		42. 15. 0
				£ 242. 5. 9

The accounts presented amounting to £242. 5. 9 were passed for payment on the motion of C^r Caselli, seconded by C^r Nicholls

C^r Caselli stated that there was an account from Mr. Fly the Contractor for erection of the new weighing room attached to the Laboratories but the work not being quite completed he had deferred certifying to the account. - It was resolved on the motion of C^r Becherwise that on completion of the work and certificate of the Architect the account be paid.

A letter from Secretary Education Department re £2000 for Building Grant was read and it was agreed that so soon as a plan should be matured a special meeting should be convened for its consideration.

A letter from Mr. Ellery re Thermometer shed accompanying plan for construction of same was submitted and on the motion of C^r Williams seconded by C^r Becherwise the Architect was empowered to have the work executed.

Messrs Ellery, Newbery, and Dempster's letters re Gas Engine were read and on the motion of C^r Becherwise, seconded by C^r Martell and Caselli, it was resolved that a 12 HP. Gas Engine be obtained from Mr. Dempster, Melbourne, at the price named in his letter viz: - £343; precautions being taken to ascertain that all duty or other charges be borne by the vendor.

An Essay on the treatment of auriferous pyrites by P. M. Serjeant Esq. J. P., was presented by that gentleman to the School - C^r Becherwise moved, C^r Martell seconded and it was carried That the best thanks of the Council be tendered to Mr. Serjeant for his Essay, and that it being understood that he intended to leave the Colony to proceed on a visit to England that he be appointed an Honorary Correspondent of The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Applications for increase of wages were received from