

The School of Mines Ballarat

Ordinary Meeting of } Wednesday 5 P.M.
Administrative Council } September 9th 1885.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair, Councillors
His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat, J. J. Jones, J.P.,
F. J. Martell, St. Reid, E. J. Rosenblum, Theo. Williams, J.P.,
and A. Wynne.

Minutes of previous meeting held 5th August ultimo
were read and confirmed

Accounts paid since last meeting amounting to
£171.11.8 and accounts presented amounting to
£89.8.9 making a total of £261.0.5 were
confirmed and passed for payment on the recommendation
of the Finance Committee

Progress Reports for the month of August were
submitted by Professors Smith and Trause and the lecturers
on mathematics, electricity, telegraphy, and botany.

Attached to the Curator's report was a requisition for labor
including painting and renovating balustrade &c. in new
museum £5, shelving to library (labor only) £6, and
services of taxidermist £4.4/- - The painting and shelving
were approved, but with regard to the employment of a
taxidermist the registrar was instructed to write to
Professor McCoy and ask that gentleman to advise the
Council, the Bishop promising to write also. - On the
motion of Cr. Rosenblum it was resolved that the Curator
be requested to inspect and report on the collection of
birds received from Mr. Cockerell.

Included in the correspondence were the following letters,
read and dealt with as stated: - From Secretary

Technological Commission - The Vice-President to
communicate with the Chairman of the Commission on
the subject: From the United States Acting Consul General,
St. Petersburg - letter to be authenticated by resident
Consul; all information then to be supplied: From the
Private Secretary intimating that His Excellency the
Governor would have much pleasure in formally opening
the new museum to the Public on the 8th October proximo.

It was resolved that Crs His Lordship the Bishop,
A. Wynne, and F. J. Martell, with the Vice-President,
be appointed an Executive Committee in connection with
arrangements for the reception of His Excellency and
visitors, and the subsequent proceedings: That a
special invitation be forwarded to Lady Loch, and that
invitations to the opening ceremony be issued to the
following, to be entertained also at luncheon: - their
Worshipful the mayors of the City and town; the
members of parliament for Ballarat and District
including the members of the Legislative Council: That
admission to the museum be by tickets, all Governors and
Subscribers to be supplied with same. - The Bishop
moved that His Excellency be invited to distribute the
Certificates granted by the St. John Ambulance Committee
and other meritorious awards (if any), which was agreed to;
the whole proceedings to be left in the hands of the
Committee appointed. -

The Council requested that His Lordship the Bishop
would undertake to draft and read the address to
His Excellency on the occasion.

It was decided that the ceremony of opening the
museum to the public should be performed on the
arrival of His Excellency at half past two o'clock