

Mr Sutton's report relative to the decadence of the class was read. - It was resolved that after the expiration of the current term the fee for instruction in this subject be reduced to £1. 1/- per term and the remuneration of the lecturer be at the rate of £100 per annum. - The remaining items were agreed to, the Registrar being instructed to request Professor Smith to furnish for the information of the Council a Report showing the Staff required to carry on the work of the Laboratory Department.

A sub Committee comprising the Ven. Archdeacon Churchill Julius, M. D., J. J. Jones J. P., F. J. Martell and Theo-Williams J. P., was appointed to consider and report on the question of appointing a Committee of management of the Observatory reserve at Mt Pleasant. -

The same Committee was subsequently appointed to enquire and report on the Staff required for the School.

Two tenders for the supply of chemicals received from Messrs W. H. Malyn, and Cornell & King were referred to the Superintendent of Laboratories for examination, the lowest tender to be accepted.

The Registrar was instructed to make application to the City Council for a street lamp to be erected in front of the main building.

James Cooper.

## The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of Administrative Council } 4.30 P.M., Wednesday  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 1886.

Present Councillors J. J. Jones, J. P., in the chair, His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat, F. J. Martell, and Theo-Williams J. P. Apology from C<sup>r</sup> Rosenblum. -

Minutes of previous meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> February ultimo were read and confirmed.

Accounts paid since last meeting being Honorariums Salaries and Wages £170. 19. 4 were confirmed, and the accounts presented amounting to £60. 14. 4 were passed for payment.

Monthly Progress Reports submitted by the Professors and Lecturers were received and adopted.

Minutes of meeting of sub Committee appointed to consider and report on the question of appointing a Director and a Committee of Management for the Astronomical Observatory reserve at Mount Pleasant were read and the recommendations adopted.

The resignation of Office Assistant was read and accepted. - Applications for the appointment were submitted, the consideration of which was deferred.

Correspondence relating to the issue of Railway Tickets to Mr Cox was submitted and the Registrar was instructed to write to Mr Cox and communicate the views of the Council to the Department.

His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat was appointed to act as Vice-President in the absence of Mr Oddie.

It was resolved that leave of absence be granted to Mr W. J. Brown to proceed to Tasmania; and that on his return leave be granted to one of the Laboratory Assistants to proceed to Mitchell, N. S. Wales, to undertake for a period,