

assistance towards travelling expenses, &c. in connection with the preparation of papers on mining was declined.

A letter from Mr. Rosales referring to the appliances requisite for a Mining Laboratory was received and referred to the Mechanical Committee for consideration.

A communication relative to the conditions on which Schools or Classes in the Colonies are recognized by the Science and Art Department, London, was referred to the Education Committee.

Mr. Start's proposal to form a class at the School for instruction in Taxidermy was agreed to.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted that the time had now arrived when application should be made for an increased annual subsidy. - It was resolved that the Vice-President, the Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. Vale M.A. be appointed a deputation to interview the Hon. the Treasurer with a view to obtaining a larger Grant-in-aid and a special Grant for machinery required for a Mining Laboratory.

6 June 1887

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The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of } Monday 4th pm.
Administrative Council } June 6th 1887.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair
Councillors R. S. Vale, M.A., F. J. Martell, Theo. Williams J.P., and A. Wynne. - An apology was tendered for the absence of His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat.

Business - To pass Accounts and to transact ordinary business.

Minutes of previous meeting held 9th May ultimo were read and confirmed on the motion of Mr. Vale.

Accounts paid since previous meeting £179. 5. 0 and the Accounts presented £58. 18. 11 making a total of £238. 3. 11 were passed as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Progress Reports for the month of May were received from Professor Smith and the Lecturers on Botany, Mathematics and Telegraphy. - A requisition for sundry articles for Laboratory estimated cost £3. 12. 6 was approved.

The Vice-President reported that the deputation previously appointed had waited on the Hon. the Minister of Public Instruction on the 18th ultimo and received a promise of favourable consideration to the requests made.

The more important correspondence was submitted for consideration and instructions given in reference thereto.

An offer of a prize in the form of a medal or books to the value of £5 to be awarded for the best essay on the Queens Jubilee by a student of the School was received from Miss Guerin M.A., and accepted with thanks.

It was resolved (by way of experiment) that the Museum be open to the public during July on Saturday evenings.

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