

The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of Administrative Council } Monday 4.30 p.m.
March 5th 1888.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair, Councillors
R. J. Vale M.L.A., W. P. Secherouse, J. Louie, F. J. Martell,
J^r Ochitree, The Rev. J^r Roseby, E. J. Rosenblum and St. Wynne

Business - To pass Accounts and to transact
ordinary business.

Minutes of previous meeting held 6th February ultimo
were read and confirmed

Accounts paid since previous meeting £194.18.10
and Accounts presented £116.3.7 making a total of
£311.2.5 were passed for payment

Correspondence inwards included the following:-

Progress Reports for the month of February submitted by
Professors Smith, and Trause; Lecturers Messrs Dawbarn,
Day, and Campbell. - Mr Dawbarn's request for some
shelves to be fixed in his office was left in the hands of
the Vice-President to have executed; Professor Smith to be
informed that a portion of the reading room will be made
available for the delivery of lectures to students. - In connection
with these Reports C^r Rosenblum moved that the Council
be requested to consider the question of appointing a Lecturer
on Biology, and to ascertain on what terms the services of a
competent Lecturer could be secured.

It was resolved to grant the requests for collections of
specimens of minerals, etc., submitted by J^r Whitcombe, and
the Curator of the Tasmanian Museum, Hobart, respectively.

A supplementary estimate for Telegraph material
amounting to £15.17.9 besides several repairs, was approved.

A letter from Mr Dempster intimating that an opportunity
was now presented to dispose of the 12 H.P. Gas Engine, was
read. - It was resolved that Mr Dempster be informed
that the Council do not intend to dispose of the Engine,

if, on trial, it be found suitable for the work required

A letter from Mr Sejeant asking to be excused from
attendance at meetings of the Administrative Council was
received with expressions of regret that he could not
spare the necessary time to attend to the duties; and
it was resolved that J^r Ochitree be appointed a
member of the Administrative Council to fill the
vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr Sejeant.

A requisition submitted by Professor Smith for sundry
articles required for the Laboratories, estimated cost £4.1/-,
and some new basins for sinks was approved.

Referring to complaints respecting delays in furnishing
reports on samples submitted for determination and assay,
explanations received from Professors Trause and Smith,
and from Mr Burbidge, were read. - After some
discussion it was resolved to leave the matter in the
hands of the Vice-President to make arrangements for
providing additional assistance in the Laboratories.

On the motion of C^r Rosenblum it was resolved
that four (4) dozen chairs be obtained for use in the
reading room, Class-rooms, Library, and Museum.

9 April 1888 confirmed
J^r Anderson