

opportunities of attending the Council meetings.

Through the Honorary Secretary the Geological Society of Australasia renewed the offer to present a medal for the best essay on some subject connected with Mineralogy or Geology. The letter to be referred to Professor Trause with a request that he would name some simple subject for the competition.

The thanks of the Council were accorded to the Bendigo Pottery Company for presenting to the Museum a pair of Majolica Vases and two Persian Card Baskets.

The Vice-President and the Honorary Treasurer were appointed to liquidate the debt of £1800 due on the New Museum building and land purchased from the Trustees of the Wesleyan Church property.

10 December 1888

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The School of Mines Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of } Monday 4.30 pm.
Administrative Council } December 10th 1888.

Present - The Vice President in the Chair, Councillors J. J. Jones J. P., W. P. Becherwise, J. Louie and F. J. Martell. Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from His Lordship the Bishop and Theo Williams J. P.

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

Accounts paid since previous meeting amounting to £2060. 11. 8 were confirmed and the Accounts presented amounting to £102. 19. 11 were passed for payment.

Progress Reports for the month of November submitted by Professor Trause Lecturers Messrs Campbell, Dawbarn, and Hall were read and it was resolved that the reports furnished by Messrs Dawbarn and Hall be referred to the Education Committee for further consideration.

The Registrar was instructed to obtain and witness the signatures of Messrs Osborne and Smyth to the discharge of the mortgage on the new museum building and land and proceed to Melbourne for the purpose.

The consideration of an application from Professor Smith for an increase of salary was postponed to the meeting of the Council in January.

His Lordship the Bishop and Councillor Rosenblum were appointed a Committee with the Registrar to prepare draft Annual Report.

It was resolved that the next annual meeting of Governors and Subscribers be held on Friday 18th January proximo and that it be left to the meeting to decide which four members of the Council shall retire from office.

Minutes of meeting of the Mining and Machinery Committee held on the 7th instant were read and the recommendations contained therein were adopted.

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