

and it was carried - the Education Committee to bring up a report.
A letter from M. M. A. Maekhen asking that the services of a lecturer on Chemistry and Physics might be granted once a week to attend the educational establishment at Loreto Abbey, Mary's Mount, Ballarat West, was submitted. - The Council considered that the request could not be complied with and the Registrar was instructed to reply to that effect with an expression of regret.

The Vice-President referred in feeling terms to the great loss which this Institution has suffered in the demise of the late President the Hon. Sir William Foster Stawell M.C.M.G. Lieutenant Governor of Victoria, etc., the sad event occurring at Naples on the 13th March ultimo.

The Ven. Archdeacon Sulist submitted the following resolution which was unanimously carried -

"That the Council desires to record its deep sense of the loss sustained by the Colony of Victoria in the death of one of its most learned and distinguished Citizens," and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Lady Stawell with an expression of sincere condolence."

It was resolved that the present Chief Justice of the Colony the Hon. George Higinbotham be invited to accept the position of President of The School.

In reference to the letter received from the Education Department in reply to an application for a moiety of the Special Grant for Buildings and Apparatus the Council recommended that the Vice-President should proceed to Melbourne and interview the Hon. the Minister of Public Instruction on the matter.

Confirmed
15/7/89

Andrew Johnston

The School of Mines, Ballarat.

Special Meeting } Monday 5 P.M.
of the Council } April 29th 1889.

Present - The Vice-President in the Chair, Councillors S. Summons, M.A., R. M. Serjeant, J.P., Theo Williams J.P., D. Pinnock, M. Lindsay, J. Louie, J. C. Molloy, S. E. Figgis and A. Robertson.

BUSINESS:

1. - To receive the resignation of Councillor I. J. Jones, J.P., Honorary Treasurer.
2. - To appoint a Member of Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honorary Treasurer.
3. - To authorize the Engineer to have the necessary work executed for erection of machinery, etc., in the Mining Laboratory.

The Vice-President reported the result of an interview with the Hon. the Minister of Public Instruction on the 17th inst. in reference to a special Grant in aid of buildings and apparatus. The Minister had been pleased to accept the amount paid to complete the purchase of the Museum property as fulfilling the condition that an equivalent should be raised locally, and an account for £1750 had been passed to the Treasury for payment to The School. In view of the difficulty attending the preparation of plans and specifications for the work in connection with the mining laboratory the authority of the Council would be required to allow the Engineer to have the machinery fixed and housed under his own immediate direction and supervision.

On the motion of C^r Serjeant seconded by C^r Williams the best thanks of the Council were accorded to Professor Pearson for the timely assistance rendered to this Institution.

1. - The tendered resignation of C^r Jones of the office of Hon. Treasurer and of his seat as a member of the Council of The School was read and it was resolved that