

The School of Mines Ballarat.

Ordinary Meeting of Administrative Council } Tuesday 4.30 P.M.
11th November 1890.

Present - Councillors R. L. Vale, in the Chair,
J. J. Jones, M. Lindsay, J. Lorie, F. J. Martell.

An apology was received for the absence of His Lordship the Bishop through indisposition.

Minutes of previous meeting held 8th October ult. were read and confirmed.

Accounts amounting to £379. 5. 5 paid since previous meeting were confirmed, and the Accounts presented, £254. 19. 11, making a total of £634. 5. 4 were passed for payment.

Progress Reports for the month of October submitted by the Staff were received.

Correspondence inwards received since last meeting was dealt with as follows:-

From Messrs Figgis & Collopy respecting precautions to be taken in regard to foundations for the proposed new buildings; F. C. Fitzpatrick referring to the safety of the ground for building on; and from Secretary Victorian Railways re concession to Teachers travelling by rail to give instruction at Clunes - Received.

From Secretary Clunes Branch - It was resolved to leave the matter of obtaining some concession to the Teachers in the hands of Councillor Lorie.

From J. Cosmo Newbery - Report of Examinations in Assaying and Chemistry; Certificate of Competency in Assaying granted to Candidate 682, F. W. Allsup, in terms of the Examiner's Report. - From Registrar of the Adelaide University requesting that Professor Trause would examine the papers of four Candidates in mineralogy. - The Registrar was instructed to consult the Vice-President in regard to all similar questions.

It was resolved that the Professor be recommended to undertake the examinations as requested. - The Registrar was instructed to refer the question of increasing the Insurance Policies to the Vice-President. - An application from the Loreto Convent, Dawson Street, for a collection of specimens for their school museum was favorably entertained, Professor Trause to be requested to make up a small collection of from 75 to 100 geological and mineralogical specimens suitable for educational purposes. - The Registrar was directed to ascertain when it would be convenient for Mr P. M. ... with

Extract from Reports of Visiting Committee. 9.10.90.

Chemical Laboratory, - Charge Mr Walker. 15 students busy at work inclusive indentured students. Mr Walker is badly in want of a boy. - The indentured students require a study. After lectures they are anxious to write up their notes. Could the old Professor's room be given up for that purpose or the old balance room? We had separate personal interviews with the indentured students to learn exactly what they complain of. Mr Moore wants some tutorial assistance; Mr Hamilton complains of want of regular programme he says that he has had no sufficient instruction in qualitative work and has been put to quantitative before he was ready for it. - In order to satisfy the apparently reasonable demand, - we had an interview with Mr Higgin and we are glad to state that he made no difficulty whatever in adopting our suggestion of giving eight hours weekly to tutorial work with the indentured students as follows - a Monday - 1 hour, Tuesday - 2 hours, Wednesday 2 hours, Thursday - 1 hour, Friday 2 hours. The students were informed of this and evinced much grateful dents satisfaction at the arrangement. - The special hours for these lessons have been fixed so that they do not clash with other lectures (ex) E. J. Rosenblum M. Lindsay

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