alkaline hydrates; alkaline carbonates, acids, HCl, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, HNO<sub>5</sub>, HC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub>; haloid salts, HCN, KCN, I, As<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>,SO<sub>2</sub>. (Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>+5H<sub>2</sub>O).

Text-book: Park's "Laboratory Instructions in Assaying and Practical Chemistry," 7s. 6d.

### Theoretical Chemistry.—(Lecturer, Mr. W. A. MacLeod, B.A., B.Sc.)

Principles of Chemistry and Chemical Philosophy.—Atoms, molecules, vapour-density, quantivalence, chemical formulæ.

The Elements.—(1.) Their history, occurrence, preparation, properties, uses. (2.) Compounds of the elements, their history, preparation, properties, uses, &c.

### Metallurgy of Gold and Silver.—(Lecturer, the Director.)

(1.) Ore-crushing and -pulverising machinery—a, rock-breakers; b, stamps; c, mills, rolls, &c. (2.) Metallurgy of gold—a, amalgamation on copper-plates, in pans, &c.; b, chlorination processes and operations; c, leaching processes (Cassels's, &c.). (3.) Metallurgy of silver—a, smelting and amalgamating ores; b, smelting—reduction with lead and fluxes; c, amalgamation in pans with mercury—use of chemicals; d, leaching with solvents—sea-water or brine, ammonia, sodium hyposulphite, alkaline cyanides; e, oxidizing and chloridizing roasting.

Text-books: Eissler's "Metallurgy of Gold and Silver"; Gordon's "Mining and Engineering."

#### Physics.—(Lecturer, the Director.)

Fundamental ideas of matter and energy; conditions of matter; gravitation; mechanical powers; sound; light; heat; magnetism; electricity; chemistry; physiology and health.

# Practical Astronomy.—(Lecturer and Instructor, the Director.)

The ecliptic; equinoxes; meridians; longitude; latitude; altitude; declination; right ascension; azimuth; use of Nautical Almanac; polar distance; zenith distance; hour-angle; sidereal time; mean time; solar time; parallax; refraction; retardation; acceleration; convergency of meridian; determination of meridian by star and sun observations, by single altitudes and greatest elongation of circumpolar stars; use of star charts; calculation of hour-angle, azimuth, and altitude of celestial bodies for any time and place; determination of latitude by meridian altitudes; determination of time by star transits and sun observations.

## Mechanical Drawing.—(Instructor, Mr. E. J. Williams.)

Use of scales; printing and lettering; outline drawing; shading; colouring; drawing to scale from copies and objects portions of machinery and woodwork, showing plans, elevation, and sections.

Special Classes are held for the instruction of candidates for the Government mine-managers', battery superintendents', and engine-drivers' certificates. First term—First Monday in February to 30th April; second term—9th May to 20th August; third term—9th September to 20th December. Registration of membership—10s. per annum; class fees—5s. per term for each subject taken

Scale of Charges for Public Assays and Analyses.

		£ s.	d.
Bullion assays		0 5	0
Assays of quartz, tailings, or concentrates		0 5	0
Examination and determination of rocks and minerals .		0 5	0
Assay of lead- and tin-ores, each	′	0 5	0
" iron- and manganese-ores		0 10	0
" copper- and antimony-ores		0 10	0
" zinc-, mercury-, and bismuth-ores		0 10	0
" gold- and silver-ores, with parting assay		0   5	0
Analysis of limestone and calcareous freestone complete		1 0	0
partial .	•••	0 10	0
" coals and fuels, each		0 10	0
" rocks and soils $\begin{cases} \text{complete} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \text{partial} & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{cases}$		2  0	0
		1 0	0
" fireclays and slags		1 0	0
" manures		2  0	0
waters (complete		3  0	0
" (partial		2  0	0
" nickel-, cobalt-, and chrome-ores		0 10	0
" concentrates		1 10	0
" complex sulphide ores, &c		1 10	0

#### Experimental Plant.

Reports of working tests of parcels of gold- and silver-ores, concentrates, and tailings, from 1 to 3 tons:

(1.) By Cassel cyanide process: Wet- or dry-crushing—a, by percolation; b, by agitation.
(2.) By amalgamated copper-plates. (3.) By amalgamation in pans: Wet- or dry-crushing—a, by raw amalgamation in charges; b, by Washoe process with chemicals (a, hot pan-amalgamation; b, after chloridizing roasting). (4.) Chlorination: Small barrel tests.

Cost of treatment (minimum charge): £5 per parcel not exceeding 1 ton; £3 per ton for

tailings.