

21st Court of Assistants held at Stehouers Hall

on Tuesday the 28th January 1908

Present C. F. Cross Esq. D.L. J.P. J.S.S. Master in the Chair

F. Lea Southgate Esq. B.C.L. Senior Warden

The Rev. W. H. Hadden M.A. Junior Warden

Mess^{rs} J. H. Shillock Sir Frederick Bridge M.C.

J. C. Colford G. D. Hethyn

W. Corday Haring E. C. Cooper

Sir Homewood Crawford A. C. Hunter

J. H. Latham A. J. Hill

W. P. Fuller and Clifford B. Colgate J.P.

15 Guineas were paid to the Members present

Master in Chair

The Master presented the company with a very handsome carpet oak chair bearing the arms of James I. and covered in velvet of that period for the use of the Master and on the proposition of Mr Shillock, seconded by Mr Hethyn a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Master for his further liberality

Mr A. C. Hunter

The minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 28th October last were read and confirmed. Mr Hunter said he wished to know his present status having regard to his having stood out for the Mastership in October last. Sir Homewood Crawford and the Clerk explained that he was still eligible to be elected Master at any time but that he could not take precedence over Members of the Court who had passed the Chair

Steward Sir

Steward Sir George Myatt Tunwell attended and both the Seniors and Steward were welcomed to the Court by the Master and introduced to the Members present and briefly returned thanks for his election

Mr J. P. Jones

A letter was read from Mr J. P. Jones thanking the Court for their vote of sympathy on his father's death

South London Hospital
General

The Clerk reported that the Box of £5.5.0 voted by the Court (order p. 29) had been returned

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by the Committee of the South London Musical Festival to Church or Chapel Chorus of mixed voices not exceeding 40

Peoples Palace } The Master reported that he had satisfied himself as to the desirability of the
Musical Festival } Company being connected with the Peoples Palace Musical Festival and a letter was read
 from Hutchinson, Lincoln suggesting that the Special Prize of £5.5.0 to be given by the
 Company should be allocated to a Male Voice Quartette with a minimum number of 12
 voices and this suggestion was approved

Marching Song } Mr. Hall reported that the Prize for the Marching Song had been won by Captain W.
 de Courcy Stutton, late M.A. of The West Salcombe South Devon and a letter of thanks
 from Captain Stutton for the Prize was read

The Clerk stated that he had obtained an Assignment of the copyright in the words
 from Captain Stutton to the Company and Mr. Littleton explained the arrangement which
 he had made with Sir Edward Elgar to write the music by which arrangement the
 copyright in the music was to belong to the Company

Mr. Frederick Bridge pointed out that it would be very ^{inconvenient} if the copyright
 in the words and music belonged to different owners and thought that the copyright
 in the music ought to be the property of the Company but after discussion it was
 decided that any arrangement made by Mr. Littleton with Sir Edward Elgar must be
 respected and the question as to the copyright in the words which was vested in the
 Company was left over for further discussion

On the proposition of Mr. Cooper seconded by Mr. Hunter a hearty vote of thanks
 was accorded to the Committee for their services in the matter

Treasurer } The Treasurer presented his Accounts for 1907 which had been previously audited by the
Accounts for 1907 } Auditors Messrs. Shuttleworth & Cooper and a copy of which appears on the next page

The Treasurer explained that £300 Cash had been invested out of the £207.10.0
 received for fees and on the proposition of Sir Monwood Cropper seconded by Mr. Frederick Bridge
 the accounts were passed and a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Treasurer for his services

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year

1907
January 1

<u>Income</u>				
Balance on hand at this date			133	18 9
Second Hand (including £40 income of Mr. S. Ernest Palmer £1000)			1111	6 6
2 years dividend on £468.17.6 Metropolitan Water Board Stock				
Ditto on £12.10.2 ditto ditto		£12.10.2		
Average Scholarships Permitted on United States Steel Corporation 5 per cent 30 year Gold Bond for \$5000			28	2 5
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Incom. Allowances of C. R. Cogan Esq to concert		50.0.0		
" " J. W. Halstead Esq to concert		35.13.0		
" " William Sack Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " Joseph P. L. Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " Henry Nathan Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " J. W. Cheekpath Jones Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " Sir J. Herbert Marshall ditto		35.13.0		
" " J. H. Maunders Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " C. S. C. Thomas Esq ditto		35.13.0		
" " W. R. Shuttleworth Esq ditto with badge		36.3.0		
" " William Bovey Esq ditto ditto		36.3.0	407	10 .
Received for Concert Tickets			76	5 .
<u>Donations</u>				
J. Ernest Palmer Esq Balance expenses of		} 78.5.7		
Cripples Fund concert				
C. J. P. Jones Esq Gratuity to Mr. Tennants bank		} 5.5.0		
W. Baker				
Sir Homewood breakfast Tickets cost of		} 11.11.0		
Alman on 30 th April				
J. F. Hill Esq re Soc. Horn Memorial		5.5.0	113	19 7
W. H. Ash Esq Marching Song Page		21.0.0	265	6 11
Proceeds of sale of tickets for Cripples Fund concert				
Ditto of expenses of Collett Page Thwaites per Neville & Company Limited			3	13 2
Surplus subscriptions to East Collett Page Fund			25	8 2
Proceeds allowed				7 .

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Account for the year ending 31st Dec 1907

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Expenditure

boat fees		53	11	
The Alton and Messrs King and Brymer for 14 Dinners (received for boat tickets £76.5.0 as per contra)		164	17	6
For use of Siskiers Hall		13		
Extra expenses at Siskiers Hall per Mr William Pullen		19	9	6
Do do do Mr James Brown (Bella)		5	5	
Tone and cigars purchased during year (estimated value of wine set hand £150)		69	11	6
<u>Scholarships</u>				
Suddhall School of Music	9.9.0			
Carriage	46.0.0			
J. Ernest Palmer	46.0.0	101	9	
Printing and Stationery		74	2	8
Clerks Salary		41	5	
Books ditto		10	10	
<u>Donations</u>				
Miss M. Boggs	3.3.0			
W. J. Tipton	3.3.0			
Charles Anthony Esq (towards his Jubilee Fund)	5.5.0			
W. H. Fisher (Mr Tomwicks Clerk for Mr Lewis)	5.5.0			
Mr Frank Brown for a Competition for ditto	26.5.0	113	1	
Telley disbursements postage and sundries (including £3.15.0 repaid by Mr J Ernest Palmer on £78.5.7 as per contra)		32	6	1
<u>Metals</u>				
Extra Bridges (N.B. The initial cost of the Bridges was borne by Mr Lewis)		7	7	
Music at Dinners		14	3	
Insurance Premium on Stake etc		24	3	
Printing Present for P. Staines and Miss Bridge		2	17	6
Legal Charges in connection with Annuals Opinion on the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906		21		
Cooperation duty		10	1	
Expenses in connection with Cupples Fund Interest displayed by Mr J Ernest Palmer and included in £78.5.7 as per contra		18	18	6
The Lord Mayor Presents of sale of tickets re ditto		69	7	7
See also Memorial for Mr Hill as per contra		265	6	11
Captain W de G. Shotton, Marching Song Prize as per contra		5	5	
Invested in £351.2.1 Metropolitan Water Board Stock		21		
		300		
La 31 Balance at Bank at this date		79	13	7

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Stationers Hall

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Stationers Company stating that his Court thought the annual payment made for the use of the Stationers Hall should be increased from 60 Guineas to 100 Guineas

The Master stated that he and the Clerk had had an interview with Mr. Norington on the subject and thought there was no doubt that if an offer to pay an annual sum of 80 Guineas were made it would be accepted upon the honorable understanding that the amount should not be further increased. Sir George Tinscott said he did not agree with the action of the Stationers Company of the Court of which he was a Member and he advised that an offer of 80 Guineas should be made which he thought would probably be accepted

Mr. Lettison as the President of the Livery Club stated that the Committee of that Club had passed a resolution to subscribe 10 Guineas for one year towards the payment of any extra amount but that the Club could not be bound beyond a year as they wished a free hand with regard to the place of holding their Meetings

Sir Henwood Crawford proposed that the arrangement made by the Master with Mr. Norington should be accepted. This was seconded by the Treasurer and carried and the Clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. Norington accordingly

London Pageant

Sir Henwood Crawford moved that the question of the Company taking part in the proposed London Pageant be referred to a committee for consideration and early report. He said he had communicated with Mr. Gomme the Chairman of the Historical section of the London Pageant and he sent a letter from Dr. Cummings stating that he thought some interesting historical musical event could easily be put

The resolution
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Milbeck and passed and the following Committee were appointed viz The Master Wardens Sir Frederick Budge Sir Howard Crawford Mr. A. H. Littleton and Mr. Clifford B. Colger with power to co-opt other Members of the Company

Ernest Palmer Scholarships Mr. Southgate explained that after consultation with the Master Mr. Cummings and Mr. Ernest Palmer it had been arranged that these Scholarships which had been originally granted for a period of 2 years should be extended to the present Scholars for another year and this was approved

The Company Badge A letter from Captain Sturmer who had suggested the wearing of the Badge was read with reference to the manner in which it should be worn and the matter was referred to the Master and Wardens for consideration The Reverend Mr. H. Hadden undertaking to communicate with Captain Sturmer on the subject

New Member Mr. A. H. Littleton proposed that Mr. Charles Harry Allen Gill of 5 London House Dartmouth Park Hill the conductor of the Alexandra Palace Choral and Orchestral Society and other Societies be elected a Member of the Company. Seconded by Mr. A. F. Hill and carried unanimously

Carnegie Scholarships Letters of thanks from Miss Elizabeth Littleton and Miss H. Ethel Hamman the late Carnegie Scholars were read and the following Report of the Examiner for the fresh Scholarships was also read:-

Report on the Competition for the Musicians Company's Carnegie Scholarships

On Thursday the 16th instant in accordance with the Instruction given at the last Court we conducted at the Guildhall School of Music an examination of those who had entered for the Carnegie three years Scholarships of the Company

We are informed that in reply to the Subventions 1110 Forms of Particulars were sent out

15 Candidates presented themselves viz 9 for testing in Piano forte playing 4 in Singing and 2 for Violin

Probably the high standard fixed and especially the requirement of Sight reading lessened the number of those who came up

We are glad to report that the knowledge and proficiency shown were generally satisfactory. Ability to read fresh music at sight so essential a part of the test in the case of several of the Candidates was particularly good

We recommend for the Scholarships:-

- (1) Miss Sarah Emily Matthews of 66 Clarendon Road Bedford aged 16
- (2) Master Lionel George Stanton of 2 Gordon Villas Strand Southampton aged 16

We mention for special commendation:-

Miss Elizabeth Miss of 28 Tassel Square Dublin and

Miss Ethel Edith Pollock of 50 Basilton Road Plumstead

The decisions arrived at were unanimous

The Senior Warden and P. W. H. Cummings were present at the Examination

Signed

J. Frederick Bridge

George J. Bennett

C. Markham Lee

Jan 22nd 1905

Mr Hemmings Crawford referred to the publication of the result of the Examination before it had been confirmed by the board and P. Soutgate explained that this had been considered desirable in order to enable the Students to commence at the beginning of the Term at the

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in the possession of Mr. [unclear]
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The Senior Warden reported
competitions and stated that Mr. [unclear]
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He reported the board that
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A letter was read from Mr. [unclear]
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The following accounts were
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Miss Lucy & Kinross for [unclear]

Mr. James Brown Butler Salary
Mr. Tom Broad for Stationery
Miss White Richards & Co for 10

Jan 1905
The [unclear] [unclear] for [unclear]
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Miss J. [unclear] for [unclear]
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Guildhall School of Music

Miss Mary A letter from Miss Mary S. E. Beggs was read praying for relief and
S. E. Beggs on the proposition of Mr. Skelbeck seconded by Mr. C. D. Hethcote it was
 resolved that £3. 3. 0 be given her as a donation subject to the Clerk
 satisfying himself that she was still alive and deserving.

Collett Prize The Senior Warden reported that 65 compositions had been sent in for
Competition competition and stated that Mr. Collett was now going through them with
 a view to awarding the Prizes.

He informed the Court that the Quintet of Mr. Frank Budge who
 had been awarded the Special Prize given by Mr. H. L. Stanbury at the
 first Competition had been more often played by various Quartettes in one year
 than any other string Quartette by any composer.

Mr. William A letter was read from Mr. William Bovey from Vienna stating that
Bovey he would be unable to take up his Admission at that Court on account
 of absence abroad on business.

The following accounts were passed for payment

The Worshipful Company of Stationers For use of Hall to date	15	15	.
Miss Hoag & Brymer For Society Dinner on the 25 th October last	110	2	.
Mr. James Brown Butler Salary for year	5	5	.
Mr. Am Bredt For Stationery	3	.	.
Miss Chatic Richards & Co For 10 dozen Champagne (Bottle June 1900)	140	.	.
Miss Edie An & Mowenscroft For care of robes for year ending 31 st December 1901	1	10	.
Miss J. Warner & Co Printing lithographing and Stationery account	11	3	7
Total	£186	15	7

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The Clerks quarters Salary to date		£	13	2	6	
Little Disturbance for quarter ending 31 st December 1767		£	6	19	4	
Bridles quarters Salary to date				2	12	6
		£	209	9	11	

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Chas: D. Jones

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At a Special Meeting of the Court
of Assistants held in the Board Room of Newell & C^o
Limited 160 Throgmou Street W on Thursday the 9th
April 1905

Present C. T. Cross Esq D.L. J.P. F.S.A. Master in the Chair

J. S. Southgate Esq D.C.L. Junior Warden

The Reverend W. H. Hudson M.A. Junior Warden

Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.O. Mess^{rs} J. G. Colford, C.P.

Hoblyn, F. Howard Fisher, E. C. Cooper, A. C. Hunter,

A. H. Littleton and A. F. Hill

Marching Song The Clerk reported that the music of the Marching Song had now been received from Sir Edward Elgar and that arrangements were being made to have the Song performed by a picked Band from Kneller Hall at the next Court Dinner on the 28th instant

The Minutes relating to the Song were read as were also the words of the Song itself

Mr Littleton said that the only way to get Sir Edward Elgar to write the music for the Song was to let him have the benefit of the copyright in such music but Sir Frederick Bridge and Mr Colford were both of opinion that the Company ought to be entitled to some small profit out of the transaction either by way of royalty or otherwise. The Clerk reported that he had been in communication with Newell & C^o Limited with reference to making some arrangements with regard to the copyright in the words and a letter from that firm to the Clerk dated the 11th February last was read of which the following is an extract

"We are favoured with your letter of the 16th instant
 We have carefully considered the matter of the words of the
 Marching Song which Captain Shetton has written and which we
 understand is now the copyright of the Musicians Company. As the
 words of the Song have already been assigned to the Company we
 think the most satisfactory arrangement would be for the Musicians
 Company to retain the copyright and grant a License to publish the
 words with Sir Edward Elgar's music which will be our copyright.
 For such a License we shall be glad to pay the Musicians Company
 half the fee they have paid to Captain Shetton for the entire
 copyright and we will if the Company approve publish the words for
 the Company accounting to them for the proceeds of sales less our
 usual commission."

Sir Frederick Bridge said he thought this arrangement would
 quite meet the case and on his proposition seconded by Mr Cooper
 it was unanimously resolved that such an arrangement be entered into
 and the Clerk was directed to act accordingly.

The Clerk was instructed to send Invitations for the next Court
 Dinner in behalf of the Company to Captain W. de Courcy Shetton
 the Writer of the Song, and also to Miss W. Sturtevant Mansford
 and W. A. Weltmann who had acted on the Committee.

Sir Frederick Bridge stated that Dr. Charles A. C. Harris was
 giving an Empire Day concert at the Albert Hall on the 23rd
 May next at which he suggested the Marching Song should be
 performed for the first time in public and this suggestion was
 heartily approved.

Invitation to Concert A letter from Dr. Charles A. C. Harris inviting the Members of

The Clerk to accompany the
 was read and the Clerk was
 instructed to the Secretary

The Court to accompany the Sheffield Chorus to Canada in October next
was read and the Clerk was instructed to put it on the Agenda for
consideration at the Quarterly Court on the 25th inst.

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Chas. D. Lewis
Master

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The Rev. W. H. Hadden M. A. Junior Warden
Miss J. H. Shelbuck J. C. Colford
C. D. Kellyn J. Howard Lister
W. C. Murray C. E. Cooper
Sir Howard Crawford A. C. Hunter
A. H. Littleton J. T. Hill
W. P. Fuller Clifford Bridges J. L. Haslam
 and Chairman Sir George Wyatt Tinscott

Section Guineas were paid to the Members present

Loony Cup

The Master presented the Company with another very handsome Silver Gilt Loony Cup suitably inscribed and on the presentation of Mr Shelbuck the Junior Past Master seconded by Mr J. C. Colford the Treasurer a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Cross for his further liberality

Sir Frederick

Bridge

The following cablegram addressed to the Master was received from Sir Frederick Bridge from Montreal Splendid journey congratulations Bridge
 The Minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 25th January last and of the Special Court held on the 9th April last were read and confirmed

W. K. B. Warwick

The Clerk reported the death of Mr Robert Peter Warwick one of the oldest Members of the Court on the 5th March last after a very

address and stated that a memorial wreath had been sent in the name of the Company and a letter of thanks for the same from Mr F W Tharuck was read

A short discussion took place as to filling the vacancy on the board caused by Mr Tharuck's death and the Clerk was instructed to put the matter on the Agenda for the July meeting

The deaths were also reported of Mr George John Gadsden and Mr Joseph Edward Street old Members of the Society

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The Senior Warden read the Report of the Second Collett Prize Competition as follows

Report on the "Phantasia" Competition 1908

The Committee appointed by the board of the Musicians Company in April 1907 to conduct the Competition for The Collett Phantasia Prize & 2 viz a Short Solo for Violin Violoncello and Piano forte have to report that Advertisements were duly inserted in the musical and other newspapers and steps were taken to make the scheme publicly known

In response no fewer than 67 compositions were sent in by the close of the year 1907 and duly numbered

The manuscripts were examined by Dr E. Markham Lee and Mr Collett and those which were obviously not worth further consideration were eliminated. About 50 were selected and reserved for trial with the instruments. Mr Collett had 15 meetings at his house trying all these works over with professional artists and reduced their number to 5, which were handed over to "The London Solo" to study for performance at the final trial before the Judges, this took place on April 25th in the Principals Room of the Guildhall School of Music

On hearing the 5 works it was unanimously agreed that the

First Prize of £30 should be assigned to a Fantasia bearing the motto 'Spice Meliora' (N° 52) This was found to be by Mr Frank Bridge of 50 Elm Park Mansions Chelsea a former Scholar of the Royal College of Music and who has already won one of the Musicians Company Composition Prizes and has had a Symphonic Poem played at the Queens Hall Symphony Concerts

This work is a fine piece of dramatic instrumental music broadly conceived brilliant in effect and quite up to the highest type of modern musicianship. It is laid out in the manner prescribed in the conditions

The Second Prize of £10 presented by Mr H. S. Skerby was assigned to a M. S. composition with the motto 'Vires' (N° 24) This proved to be by Mr James Tuckin of 43 Fern Street, Pollockshields Glasgow a former Student of the Royal College of Music who obtained the Medal of the Company in 1906 and has also won one of the former Phantasia Prizes

He has furnished an imaginative work, melodic containing much freshness of thought, and ~~is~~ cleverly conducted

The Third Prize of £10 also provided by Mr Skerby was assigned for a piece bearing the motto 'Sub Umbra' (N° 111) This was found to be by Mr John Ireland of 54 Elm Park Mansions Chelsea Mr Ireland obtained a Composition scholarship at the Royal College of Music and holds the diplomas of Associate of the College and a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists

The work is a well-built pleasing composition and displays effective treatment of the instruments employed

For the additional Prizes Compositions labelled respectively 'Under the light there is darkness' (N° 53) and 'Hazy' was submitted

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of *sans perdre courage* (N^o 45) were chosen as worthy of special recognition.

The first of these was found to be by Miss Alice Burt Perne of 25 Clauville Grove, S. Kensington.

The second was by Miss Ince Spun-Punk an Associate and Graduate of the Royal Academy of Music of 10, Milton ^{Massions} Gardens, Queens Club, Gardens, W. Kensington and a former Student of the Royal Academy of Music.

The Committee recommends that each additional Prize of £5 each be granted to these two Ladies.

Captain A. J. Beaumont has furnished further funds and expressed the desire that Mr. Collett should distribute 5 small supplementary prizes of Ten Guineas each to composers of works chosen by him.

In accordance with the provision made by Captain Beaumont who has generously presented a special sum of £50 the Committee now proposes to proceed to the publication of the 3 works chosen.

It is suggested that arrangements should be made to have the Prize Competitions played before the Court of the Company on some early convenient occasion.

The Senior Warden proposed that the Report should be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. Cooper and carried unanimously and the Clerk was directed to enter it in the Minutes.

The Company
Badge
A letter from Captain Chamber as to the manner of wearing the Badge (ante page 42) was read and after discussion it was decided that the Members of the Society should continue to wear the Badge pinned to the left breast as hitherto. The question as to whether the Court Badge should be worn suspended close to the collar or 3 inches below the collar was discussed and was referred to the next Court.

South LondonMusical Festival

The Clerk reported that the Prize given by the Company for the South London Musical Festival had been won by the Sheatham Congregational Church Choir and a letter from Mr. J. Foster Jones the Secretary of the Festival acknowledging receipt of the cheque for the Prize was read.

Concert ofEnglish andFrench Music

The Clerk reported that the Master had given a concert of English and French Music with dances at Ambrose Hall on the 27th February last which had been much appreciated by the large Company present and on the proposition of Mr. Cooper seconded by Mr. Skelbeck a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Master for his generosity in the interests of the Company.

Invitation toCanada

A letter was read from Dr. Charles J. G. Thomas a Sovereign of the Company inviting the Court to accompany the Sheffield Choir on its coming visit to Canada in October next and giving full details of the interesting programme of functions and concerts prepared for the visit but as none of the Members of the Court could conveniently attend it was on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Senior Warden decided that Dr. Thomas should be thanked for his kind invitation and should be informed that the Court regretted their inability to accept it.

London Pageant

Sir Henry Wood Bradford reported that the proposed London Pageant had been postponed to 1909.

Assistance Hall

The Clerk reported that he had written to Mr. Roughton in accordance with the resolution passed at the last Court (ante page 41) and the following reply from Mr. Roughton was read and was decided to be entered on the Minutes:-

My dear Sir
Your letter of the
of the Company will be
at the rate of Eighty
and they hope that the
amount for one hour

Mr. French Esq

Mr. Warden

A letter was read from

Empire Day concert which

at the Albert Hall on the

and Clerk to attend with

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The Master gave notice

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It was announced that

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Mr. Jackson stated that

Removal Fund should

14 July 1908

Stainers Hall & C

My dear Sir

Your letter of the 29th ult. was read here today and the Court of this Company will accept the suggestion that the future payments be at the rate of Eighty Guineas all other conditions remaining the same and they hope that the agreeable association of the two Companies will continue for some time

Yours faithfully

Chas. W. Kerrington

J. C. Fenwick Esq

11, Berners Street W

Empire Day
Concert

A letter was read from Mr. Albert Subdavian the Hon Secretary of the Empire Day Concert which was being organised by P. Charles S. C. Thomas at the Albert Hall on the 25th May next meeting the Master Wardens and Clerk to attend with the Biddle in state and it was resolved that the invitation should be accepted and the Clerk was to try and make arrangements for the Treasurer to attend as well

Honorary
Fellow of the Company

The Master gave notice that it was his intention at the next Court to propose a resolution to present the Honorary Fellowship of the Company to the heads of the three great London Schools of Music

Royal Society
of Musicians

It was announced that Mr. G. E. Cooper had consented to take the Chair at the Festival Dinner of the Royal Society of Musicians and on the proposition of the Treasurer seconded by Mr. Archer it was unanimously resolved to subscribe £5.5.0 towards the funds of the Society

Benevolent Fund

Mr. Lischer stated that he had long been of opinion that a Benevolent Fund should be started for the benefit of Members of the

Company who required assistance and said he would bring forward a Motion to this effect at a suitable opportunity and the Master said such a Motion would have his cordial support

Royal Military
School of Music

The Senior Warden stated that Colonel T. B. Shaw Hillier a Member of the Court who annually gave a Prize of £5.5.0 to be competed for by the Students at the Royal Military School of Music Kneller Hall wished the Company to accept a sufficient sum of money upon trust to provide such a Prize with the necessary additional fees for a Judge of the same in perpetuity and that if the Company would accept such a trust he would have a proper legal document prepared

On the proposition of the Master seconded by Alderman Sir George Wyatt Tinscott it was unanimously resolved to accept Colonel Shaw Hillier's offer with thanks and the Senior Warden undertook to communicate with him on the subject

Scholarships
Conditions

The Senior Warden stated that it was becoming an objectionable habit of unscrupulous persons to invite Students who had obtained Scholarships to perform at concerts and suggested that the Students ought not to be allowed to perform at such concerts without the consent of the Principal of the School to which they belonged Sir Homewood Crawford pointed out that a new condition to the holding of the present Scholarships could not now be imposed but that a condition could be inserted in future Scholarship Regulations that the Company Scholars should not appear in public without the previous consent of the Principal of the School to which they were attached This was accordingly moved by the Senior Warden and seconded by Sir Homewood

25th April 1905

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28th April 1905

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Resolved and carried unanimously

The following accounts were passed for payment

The Worshipful Company of Stationers for use of Hall to date	21	.	.
Miss King & Brymer for best Dinner on the 28 th January last	28	16	.
Miss J. Warner & Co Printing and lithography account	2	9	10
Mr Tom Broad Stationery	11	.	6
Miss Robert Gray & Co for wine and cigars	24	16	5
The Clerks Quarters Salary to date	£13. 2. 1		
Ditto, Dubuements for Quarter ending 31 st March 1908	3. 5	10	
Knights Quarters Salary to date	2	12	6
	£100 3 7		

Signed
 Chas. D. Henry
 Master

28th April 1908

Mr Charles Harry Allen Gill of 5 Lincoln House Portmouth Park Hill NW Doctor of the Alexandra Palace Choral and Orchestral Society was this day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid the fees

28th April 1908

Mr Jocelyn William John Percy of 1 Aubrey Road Campden Hill W Music Publisher was this day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid the fees

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At a Court of Assistants held at
Stationers Hall on Tuesday the 14th July 1908

Present C. F. Crews Esq D.L. J.P. J.S.A. Master in the Chair

J. de Southgate Esq D.C.L. Senior Warden

The Reverend W. H. Madden M.A. Junior Warden

Sir Frederick Bridge M.C. M.P. Mr. J. G. Colford

C. D. Hollyn J. Howard Loder

A. C. Hunter A. H. Liddell

A. J. Hill Col. J. B. Shaw Moller J.P.

W. Clifford B. Edgar J.P. and Alderman Sir Geo. Wyatt Jussett

13 Guineas were paid to the Mombow present

W. J. H. Shelbeck A letter was read from the Senior Past Master W. J. H. Shelbeck regretting his inability to attend on account of indisposition

The Minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 28th April last were read and confirmed

Vacancy on Court The question of filling the vacancy caused by the death of W. R. B. Warwick was further considered and various names were mentioned

W. Stephens Esq J.P. The Treasurer suggested that it might be as well not to fill the vacancy at present on account of the state of the Company's finances but after discussion the Master proposed that W. Stephens Esq J.P. who was a Nephew of the late W. R. B. Warwick should be elected an Assistant This was seconded by W. Hollyn and carried unanimously

Election of Alderman The Master pointed out that having regard to the fact that Alderman Sir George Wyatt Jussett would in all probability be elected Lord Mayor at Michaelmas next it was desirable that he should be selected as the

Wardens

The Company

Warden

Freedom of the

Company

Removal of

Fund

Master of the Company for 1908 and 1909

Mr Hunter doubted whether there was power having regard to Clause 11 of the Laws and Orders to elect a Master who had not served the Office of Warden but the Junior Warden was clearly of opinion that under the Charter it was competent to elect any Freeman of the Commonalty to be Master whether he was on the Court or not. This view was supported by the Clerk and on the proposition of the Master seconded by Mr Archer Sr, George Nyatt Tuscott was selected as the next Master.

Wardens

On the proposition of Sr Frederick Bridge seconded by Mr J. G. Bellard it was resolved that under the unusual circumstances the present Wardens D. J. Lea Southgate and the Reverend W. H. Hadden should be reappointed for another year.

The Company

It was resolved that the Court Badge should be worn suspended close to the collar.

Badge

Freedom of the

Company

The Master proposed that the Freedom of the Company should be presented to Sr Alexander Mackenzie the Principal of the Royal Academy of Music, Sr Hubert Parry Bart. M.V.C. the Director of the Royal College of Music and Sr Walter Parratt M.V.C. the Master of the Kings Musick and said he would personally defray any expenses in connection with such presentations.

Mr Edgar suggested that the Freedom should be presented to these 3 gentlemen as individuals in recognition of their services to Music and not by virtue of their positions so as to create a precedent and this view was accepted. The resolution was seconded by Mr Hellyer and carried unanimously.

Benevolent

Fund

In accordance with notice Mr Archer proposed that a Benevolent Fund of the Musicians Company be established with a view to creating a

fund which might be available to help all Musicians whether they were Members of the Company or not.

Sir Frederick Budge pointed out that the Royal Society of Musicians had large funds to help Musicians generally and he did not think any part of the proposed fund should be available for assisting persons other than those connected with the Company. The Master was also of this opinion and said he was quite prepared to contribute and after further discussion on the proposition of Mr Edgar, seconded by Mr Hunter, it was unanimously resolved that a Committee be appointed to consider the advisability of forming a Benevolent Fund and on the proposition of Sir Frederick Budge seconded by Mr Hunter it was resolved that the Committee should consist of the Master and Wardens Sir Frederick Budge the Treasurer (Mr J C Holland) ^{Mr J. Howard Tucker} Sir Howard Crawford and Messrs A. H. Littleton A. F. Hill and C. B. Edgar.

Mr Hill stated that he had received a letter from Mr J Meade Falkner a Liveryman of the Company enclosing a cheque for £21 as a contribution towards the proposed fund and it was arranged that Mr Hill should hold the money for the present.

Marching Song

In the unavoidable absence of Sir Howard Crawford the Senior Warden proposed that the best thanks of the Master Wardens and Great Officers be accorded to Colonel A. G. Bedford and Captain A. J. Shetton M. V. O. of Kneller Hall for the immense trouble taken by them to secure an adequate and successful performance of the Soldiers Marching Song by Captain W. de Courcy Shetton late R.A. and performed for the first time before the Court of the Company and its Guests at Stationers Hall on the

Royal Military

School of Music

Invitations to

Distinguished

Musical Artists

The Company

Silver Medal

Guildhall

School of Music

25th April last and that they be heartily congratulated on the great success which attended their entering efforts and which produced so gratifying a result

This was seconded by Mr Hunter and carried unanimously

Royal Military

School of Music

Colonel Shaw Miller moved that the Company give its Silver Medal annually to the most distinguished Student of the Royal Military School of Music as the Commandant might recommend and stated that if this were done the Company's Medal would probably be carried all over the World

The resolution was seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge and warmly supported by the Master and was carried unanimously

Invitations to

Distinguished

Musical Guests

On the proposition of Sir Frederick Bridge seconded by Mr Hill it was resolved to invite Professor Eugenius Prout Mrs Fox as a distinguished professional Musical Guest to the Society Dinner in October and feeling him to invite Mr J. Bacham and on the proposition of Mr Hill seconded by Mr Edgar it was resolved to invite Captain A. J. Beaumont as a distinguished Amateur Musician and feeling him Sir Vincent Colver

The Company

Silver Medal

On the proposition of the Master seconded by the Junior Master it was resolved that the Company's Silver Medal for the present year should be bestowed upon Mr Pertham Walter O'Donnell Violoncellist and Composer the Student of the Royal Academy of Music recommended by Sir Alexander Mackenzie the Principal of the Academy

Guildhall

School of Music

The following Report from F. W. Cummings the Principal of the Guildhall School of Music on the Company's Scholars was read

To The Worshipful Company of Musicians

I have to report respecting the several Scholars in the Guildhall School of Music who are benefiting by Scholarships of the Musicians Company

The Company's Scholar Miss Margery Hope has been very diligent in her chief study composition and I hope soon she will be able to begin to hearing some monstrous work. She also makes good progress as a Violinist.

The Carnegie Scholars are Lionel Stanton and Grace Hawkins the first named is a very gifted lad and an indefatigable worker. I have to warn his father not to permit him to over tax his strength his chief study is Pianoforte. He also studies Harmony.

Grace Hawkins is making good progress in Pianoforte playing.

The S. Ernest Palmer Scholars are W. J. Stannard and Maude Herbert the first named is doing excellent work and gives complete satisfaction to his Professors (Organ Harmony and Pianoforte). He will sit at Durham University for a degree in September next.

Miss Maude Herbert is a very earnest and able student. She excels as a Pianist and is doing admirable theoretical work.

William H. Cummings

Principal

9th July 1908

The Company's
Accounts

Mr. Hunter suggested that accounts for payment should be presented for the approval of the Court immediately after the reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the preceding Court as this would give the opportunity for Members of the Court to peruse the accounts before they were passed for payment as was often hurriedly done on account of pressure of business. The Treasurer stated that no account was presented for payment unless it had been thoroughly investigated by himself and the Clerk but after discussion it was resolved that the Clerk should lay the accounts on the table

Company's
Bye Laws

South London
Musical Festival

City of London
Musical
Association

after the reading of the Minutes and that a notice to this effect should appear on the Agenda

Company

Bye Laws

Mr Hunter called the attention of the Court to the bye-laws and laws and orders of the Company and suggested the appointment of a Committee to report thereon and upon the desirability of a revision

The Master doubted whether it was worth while to raise any question about the bye-laws and the Junior Warden was also of opinion that they had better be left alone. A similar opinion was expressed by several Members of the Court and after a short discussion on account of the lateness of the hour it was resolved that the matter should stand over

South London

Musical Festival

A letter was read from the Secretary of the South London Musical Festival asking for a renewal of the Prize recently given but it was resolved that although the Court were anxious to help a new movement it could not undertake to make the Prize an annual one

City of London

Sanctorial

Association

A letter was read from the Secretary of the City of London Sanctorial Association asking for subscriptions but it was decided that the funds of the Company would not justify this

The following accounts were passed for payment

The Worshipful Company of Stationers For use of Hall
to date

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Miss King & Bryner For board Dinner on the 28th April last

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(£3.9.6 of this representing the refreshments for the
Kneller Hall Band has been subscribed by Mr W. H. Ark)

Neale & Co Limited for printing Programmes on the 28th
January and the 28th April

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Account	£	70	12	.	
Miss J. Warner & Co. Printing and lithographing	}	1	16	2	
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Miss Charles Richards Holdsworth & Co. for Port Wine		12	10	.	
Miss E. Cole Son & Sonnerscroft For hire of strong boxes at Empire Day Concert	}		10	6	
The Clerks Quarters Salary to date					£13. 2. 6
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It a Special Meeting of the
Court of Assistants held in the Board Room of
Novello & Co Limited 160 Mark Lane Street W. on Wednesday
the 11th October 1908.

Present - C. J. D. Cross Esq^r D.L., J.P., F.R.S., Master in the Chair
J. de la Roche Esq^r D.L., Junior Warden
The Reverend W. H. Madden M.A., Junior Warden
Mess^{rs} J. H. Shellock, J. G. Colquhoun, C. J. Kelly,
J. Howard Lusher, E. E. Cooper, Sir Hemwood Crawford,
A. C. Hunter, J. F. Hill and W. P. Fuller

Master's Chair The Master informed the Court of his desire to present a handsome
 18 carat Gold Chain to be worn with the Master's Badge and a
 sketch of such Chain was inspected and much admired. On the
 proposition of Sir Hemwood Crawford seconded by the Treasurer a hearty
 vote of thanks was accorded to the Master for his further liberality.

W. J. Littleton On the proposition of Sir Hemwood Crawford seconded by W. J.
Howard Lusher a sincere vote of sympathy and condolence with W.
J. Littleton in the great bereavement he had sustained through the
 loss of his wife was passed and the Clerk was directed to inform
W. Littleton of the resolution.

Sir Wynn The fact that Abnerman Sir George Wynter Russell was now Lord
Provost Mayor Elect was reported and also that an invitation had been received
 from the Lord Mayor and Shouff Committee to take part in the
Lord Mayor's Procession on the 9th November next, Sir Hemwood
Crawford said that the Committee were anxious to have the

Company Marching Song sung in the Procession but stated that Colonel Bullock was unable to provide a Band from Andover Hall for the purpose as had been hoped. He explained the necessary arrangements that would have to be made and said that although an emblemical car had been suggested he did not think it was desired by the Committee. He formally moved that the Company take part in the Procession at an expense not exceeding 50 Guineas and that the matter be referred to a Committee to make the necessary arrangements. This was seconded by Mr. Millick and after the Treasurer had made a statement as to the Company's funds the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The matter was referred to a Committee to consist of the Master, Wardens and Sir Hornwood Crawford to make all proper arrangements and the Clerk was instructed to send a circular letter to the members of the Court and the Chaplain to ascertain which of them would take part in the Procession.

Company's Bye-Laws and Orders

Mr. Hunter again called the attention of the Court to the Company's Laws and Orders and said he thought the Court ought to seriously consider the mode and government of the Company and appoint a Committee to decide upon the desirability of revising the existing Laws and Orders of the Company so as to make them more applicable to present needs. This was seconded by the Junior Warden and after discussion the matter was put to the vote when the votes for and against the motion were equal. The Master then gave his casting vote in favor of the appointment of a Committee and the Master, Wardens, Treasurer, Sir Hornwood Crawford and Mr. Hunter were appointed a Committee to go into the matter accordingly. Mr.

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Hunter being asked to bring forward in detail any suggestions he had to make with regard to any proposed alterations

New Members

Dr. T. Lee Southgate proposed that Mr. John Henry Nes of Spencer Chambers 210 Strand W.C. be elected a Member of the Company seconded by Mr. F. Hawwood Tischer and carried unanimously

The Master proposed that the Reverend Ernest Harold Lane M.A. The Vicarage King Edward Street E.C. be elected a Member of the Company seconded by Sir Hornwood Crawford and carried unanimously

Mr. A. F. Hill nominated his Apprentice Edmund Charles Hodgkin for election to the Freedom of the Company

The question as to the fine and fees payable by an Apprentice taking up his Freedom was discussed and the Clerk was instructed to look into the matter and report to the Court

Military Band

Competition

Sir Hornwood Crawford stated that an Honorary Freeman of the Company who desired to remain anonymous had offered a Prize of the value of £52. 10. 0 for a Competition having for its object the advancement of Military Band Music and he moved that such offer be accepted. This was seconded by the Treasurer and unanimously agreed to

Dr. Southgate stated that a further sum of £30 had been offered by Captain A. S. Beaumont with an additional £10. 10. 0 by the Master and £10 by Mr. John Henry Nes to be applied for a similar object and on the proposition of Sir Hornwood Crawford seconded by Mr. Skellock the following Committee was appointed to deal with the matter viz The Master Wardens Sir Frederick Bridge Sir Hornwood Crawford Colonel J. W. Shaw Helter J. P. and Mr. Clifford B. Edgar J. P. Mus. Bnc.

The following were appointed Assistants in judging viz Colonel Alexander Fenby J. P. M. E. Markham Sec. M. A. Mus. Dec. Captain A. C. Chamoux F. S. A. M. C. H. Allen Gill A. R. A. M. (Members of the Company) M. W. H. Cummings Mus. Dec. Honorary Freeman and Captain A. S. Beaumont late Royal Welsh Fusiliers of Grosvenor Park, Barchingham Kent Colonel A. G. Walfour of Kneller Hall, Captain A. J. Hickton M. V. O. of Kneller Hall Lieutenant Albert Williams Mus. Dec. of 28 Tring Park Road Hensington W. and Mr. Dan Godfrey Hon. R. A. M. St. Marys Road Bournemouth

Dr. J. J. Sawyer

A letter was read from Mr. W. Chester the Honorary Secretary of the Memorial to the late Dr. J. J. Sawyer asking for the Company's help and on the proposition of Sir Hemwood Lawford seconded by the Treasurer it was resolved to subscribe 5 Guineas the Clerk being directed to point out that the Company had only small means but wished to be associated with the Memorial out of respect to the memory of a talented member.

South London

A letter was read from Mr. J. Foster Jones the Secretary of the South London Musical Festival enquiring if the Company would offer a perpetual trophy in the form of a shield or cup and such letter was referred to the Master and Warden for consideration.

Royal Military

A letter was read from Colonel A. G. Walfour the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music recommending Henry Louis Gordon Simons Royal Artillery as being the most talented student of the year at Kneller Hall and worthy to receive the Company's Medal for 1908 and the recommendation was approved.

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A vote of thanks to Neville & Co Limited for the use of their
Beard Room and for the hospitality always shown to the Company was
cordially passed

Signed
Chas D Lewis
Master

At a Court of Assistants held
at Stationers Hall on Tuesday the 27th October 1908

Present C. J. D. Crews Esq D.L.J., F.S.A., Master on the Chair
J. S. Southgate Esq D.C.L. Senior Warden

The Reverend W. H. Hudson M.A. Junior Warden

W. J. H. Shuttle, Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.O. Mus. Doc.

Miss J. C. Collard, C. D. Hollyn, J. Harwood Escher.

W. G. Haunig, E. E. Cooper, Sir Homewood Crawford, A. G.

Hunter, A. J. Hill F.S.A. Colonel J. B. Shaw Miller

J. P., W. Clifford B. Edgar J. P. Mus. Libr. and

Steward Sir George Wyatt Tuscott Lord Mayor Elect

W. W. P. Fuller A letter was read from W. W. P. Fuller regretting his inability to attend

Master's Chair The Master presented the Chair to be worn with the Master's Badge (see ante page 64) and on the proposition of Mr. Shuttle seconded by Mr. Cooper was again thanked for his liberality

The Minutes and Proceedings of the Court held on the 14th July last and of the Special Court held on the 14th October instant were read and confirmed

Mr. Septimus Croft J. P. attended and took the Assistants' Declaration and was welcomed to the Court by the Master

W. S. H. Shuttle A letter of thanks from Mr. S. H. Shuttle for the resolution of condolence was read

Royal Military School of Music The following letters of thanks from Colonel A. G. Relfer and the Secretary of the War Office were read and ordered to be put on the Minutes

Kneller Hall

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27th October 1908

To The Master and Wardens

The Musicians Company

Sir

Having informed the Army Council of your intention to present the silver medal of the Company annually to the most talented Student of the Royal Military School of Music qualified that year

I am requested to convey to you their high appreciation of the action of the Council in making this award, the value of which as an encouragement to emulation and tending to raise the general standard of the School they thoroughly recognize

I have attached the official letter to this effect which you may like to retain

I trust that I may also take this opportunity of again expressing my most sincere thanks to yourself the Wardens and Members of the Musicians Company for this generous prize, the importance of which as an incentive to the Students of this Institution cannot be over estimated and which as a mark of your interest in the advancement of Military Music in His Majesty's Army is very highly valued and appreciated by myself and all concerned

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

Alfred G. Bullock

Squad Colonel Comd^g Royal Military School of Music

The Office

12103 - Kneller Hall - 809 (AGS)

London S.W.

26th October 1908

Sir

I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd inst. informing the Council that The Worshipful Company of Musicians have decided to present a Silver Medal annually to the most talented student at the Royal Military School of Music.

The Army Council recognise the value of this award which will undoubtedly encourage emulation amongst the students and tend to raise the general standard of Music in the School.

I am consequently commanded by the Army Council to request that you will be good enough to convey to The Worshipful Master and Company of Musicians the appreciation of the Council at their action in this matter.

I am

Sir

Your obedient servant

R. H. Brade

The Commandant

Royal Military School of Music

Kneller Hall

Hounslow

MasterWife of MasterDeputy MasterThe Secretary
of the MasterSenior MastersJunior MastersTrainersClerkBandNew Members

Master

The Senior Past Master Mr. Shilbeck moved that Alderman Sir George Wyatt Juscott Lord Mayor Elect be elected Master for the ensuing year This was seconded by Sir Frederick Budge and carried unanimously and the Master Elect returned Thanks

Vote of Thanks to Master

On the proposition of the Immediate Past Master Sir Edmund Crawford seconded by Mr. J. Harwood Secular a hearty vote of Thanks was accorded to the retiring Master who suitably replied

Deputy Master

The Master Elect having regard to the duties that would fall upon him as Lord Mayor asked the retiring Master to act as his Deputy during the coming year and with the full consent of the Court the retiring Master said he would accept the position with pleasure

The swearing in of the Master

The Master was authorized to receive the necessary Declaration of the new Master out of Court and to install him in Office at the Banquet following the Court

Senior Warden

On the proposition of Sir Frederick Budge seconded by Colonel J. B. Shaw Miller Dr. Thomas Lee Southgate was re-elected Senior Warden for the ensuing year

Junior Warden

On the proposition of Sir Frederick Budge seconded by Colonel J. B. Shaw Miller The Rev. R. H. Hadden M. A. was re-elected Junior Warden for the ensuing year

The Senior and Junior Wardens briefly returned Thanks and made the usual Declarations

Treasurer

On the proposition of Mr. C. B. Cadger seconded by Mr. C. D. Hillyer

Clerk

Mr. John Clement Colford was re-elected Treasurer. Mr. Thomas

Beadle

Collingwood Inverick was re-elected Clerk and Mr. Ernest Hills was re-elected Beadle for the ensuing year

New Members

The Rev. R. H. Hadden proposed that the Rev. George Henry Perry

M. S. Necker of St Lukes Old Street E.C. 4. Tendency of St Pauls and Mayor of London for 1906-7 and 1907-8 be elected a Member of the Company seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously

Colonel J. B. Shaw Hallier proposed that the Honorable Alexander Nelson Hood Duke of Bronte or Lady of 7 Pelham Crescent S.W. and Castellano Marnice Bronte Sicily be elected a Member of the Company seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously

Sir Frederick Bridge gave notice that he would at the next Court propose the name of M. Albert Cosette Professor at the Royal College of Music as a Member of the Company

So-Shun Memorial A letter was read from Sir Hubert Parry Bart. C.V.O. the Director of the Royal College of Music recommending Mr. Anthony Henry a promising Violinist as the fittest person to receive the So-Shun Scholarship and on the proposition of Mr. Hill seconded by Mr. Hunter the recommendation was unanimously approved

South London Musical Festival A further letter was read from the Secretary of the South London Musical Festival and Sir Homewood Crawford suggested that the Company might give a trophy to be won 3 years before becoming the absolute property of any one but after discussion it was decided to let the matter stand over

Lord Mayor's Procession Sir Homewood Crawford stated that it had been found impossible to arrange for the Marching Song to be sung in the Lord Mayor's Procession and informed the Court of the arrangements that had been made with regard to the Procession

Lord Mayor's Banquet He also stated that the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs Committee wished the music after the Lord Mayor's Banquet to be provided by the Company. The Treasurer said he thought the Court would be

General Notice

Scholarship

Swearing on of

the New Lord Mayor

Removal of Fund

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justified in voting a sum for this purpose and the application was accordingly acceded to it being decided to ask Mr Stanley Hawley if he would undertake to supply the necessary music for a fee of 20 Guineas 10 Guineas of which would be paid by the Company and 10 Guineas by the Committee

General Orders } The arrangements as to these Scholarships which would fall vacant at Christmas next were left to the Deputy Master and Wardens

Swearing in of the New Lord Mayor } It was decided that the Members of the Court attending the Swearing in of the Lord Mayor at the Guildhall should wear gowns and go in carriages from the Mansion House to the Guildhall

Revolvent Fund } The Master called attention to the Revolvent Fund and said that it had been impossible to hold a Meeting of the Committee on account of the holidays. He said he wished to start the fund with a subscription of 100 Guineas and he was cordially thanked for his further liberality

Military Band Competition } The Senior Warden reported that the Scheme for the Military Band Competition had been settled by the Committee

The following accounts were passed for payment

The Worshipful Company of Stationers For use of Hall to date	21	.	.
Messrs King & Brymer For Court Dinner on the 11 th July last	25	5	6
Novello & Co Limited For printing Programmes on the 11 th July last	1	13	.
Messrs J Warner & Co Printing and Lithography Account	2	11	.
Mr John Brewster For Models	4	16	.
Mr Timothy Tenny Leo Stann Scholarship	5	5	.
	Sum	60	10 6

	Forward	£	60	10	6
Miss Robert Gray & Co. Cigars			8	18	11
Miss Kemmick & Co. for Pass callings			1	1	.
Clerk's Quarters Salary to date	£13.	2.	6		
Disbursements for Quarter ended 30 th September last	<u>1.14.2</u>	114	19	8	
Parrell's Quarters Salary to date			2	12	6
		£	88	2	7

Resolution of
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Sir Alexander Campbell Mackenzie Mus Doct L.L.D., D.C.L.
The Principal of the Royal Academy of Music, Sir Charles Hubert
Hastings Barr. C.V.C. Mus Doct L.L.D., D.C.L., Doctor of
the Royal College of Music and Sir Walter Parratt M.V.C., M.A.
Mus Doct. Master of the Song Musick attended and were introduced

The Master then directed the Clerk to read the Resolution conferring
the Honorary Freedom upon them which was done and on the
proposition of the Senior Past Master Mr J. H. Skelbeck seconded by
Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.C. Mus. Doct it was unanimously resolved that
the Declaration of a Freeman be administered to them

The Declaration was accordingly administered by the Clerk and the
3 Gentlemen then signed the Roll of Honorary Freemen and also the Roll
of Freemen of the Company

The Master then shook hands with them and offered them the
right hand of fellowship and presented them with the Scrolls of
Honorary Freedom of the Company signed by the Master Warden and
Clerk

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James Smith
Master

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27 October 1908

The Reverend Ernest Harold Pearce M.A. of the Vicarage King Edward Street E.C. Vicar of Christ Church Newgate Street E.C. was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

27 October 1908

The Reverend George Henry Perry M.A. of St. Lukes Rectory Old Street E.C. Subendary of St. Pauls and Mayor of Finsbury 1906-7 and 1907-8 was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

At the Banquet following the Court the Silver Medal of the Company was presented to Mr. William Walton O'Donnell the Pupul selected by the Principal of the Royal ^{Academy} College of Music and also to Mr. Henry Louis Geniton Finucane M.A. the Student selected by the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music Kneller Hall. The Banquet was attended by the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor Sir J. C. Bell Bart. The Lord Chief Justice, The Right Honourable Lord George Hamilton, Mr. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson Mr. Sheriff Priddeley and many other distinguished Guests numbering 143 in all and during the evening the New Master was sworn in and introduced to the Livery and took the Oath

On Saturday the 7th November 1908 the Deputy Master and Wardens and 10 Members of the Court accompanied by the Chaplain and Clerk lunched at the Mansion House with the Lord Mayor and the Master (The Lord Mayor Elect) and subsequently attended the Lord Mayor Elect at the Guildhall in their Gowns when he was sworn in as Lord Mayor

On Monday the 9th November 1908 the company took part in the Lord Mayor's Procession starting from De Keyers Royal Hotel Victoria Embankment E.C. and returning thither after the Procession.

The contingent representing the company was as follows

Band of 2nd City of London Regiment
(Royal Fusiliers)

First Carriage containing Mr. E. G. Cooper Past Master
Mr. A. G. Hunter and the Clerk

Second Carriage containing Mr. G. D. Hoblyn Past Master, Mr. J. Hawwood Lischer Past Master and Mr. M. Hardy Herring Past Master

Carriage drawn by four horses with postillions containing the Deputy Master G. F. D. Lewis Esq. D.L., J.P., F.S.S., the Senior Warden T. L. Southgate Esq. D.C.L. Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.O. Mus. Doc. Past Master and J. C. Colland Esq. Past Master and Treasurer attended by the Beadle on the Box Seat with Scarf and Mace

On Monday the 23rd November 1908 the Members of the Company attended the annual St Cecilia Commemoration at St Pauls Cathedral at 11 p.m.

The Master (The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor) and the Sheriff attended in state

The Members met in the Lord Mayors Vestry and proceeded in Procession to the West Door to meet the Lord Mayor and Sheriff subsequently proceeding in Procession to the Choir where Skells were reserved for them

After the Service the Procession preceded the Lord Mayor and Sheriff in the same order to the West Door and after their departure returned to the Lord Mayors Vestry

A beautifully worked Banner of St Cecilia presented by Mr W. H. Ash J.P. the President of the Society Club was used for the first time and carried at the head of the Procession the Companys other Banner being carried in its usual place

A Processional Hymn "As the World turneth from Evening to Morning" written for the occasion by the Reverend Bernard Reynolds M.A. Rector of St Pauls and the Music for which had been composed by Sir George C. Martin M.V.O. Mus. Doc. a Member of the Company was sung for the first time and the Music with the exception of the last Hymn was by Dr John Blow (1618-1708) in commemoration of the Bi-centenary of his death

The Society Club of the Company held a Banquet at St James Hall in the evening the Chair being taken by Mr W. H. Ash J.P. the President of the Club at which the Lord Mayor and Sheriff the Archbishop of London, Canon Noydell and several other of the Cathedral Clergy and Officials were present and special music suitable for the occasion was given