

At a Court of Assistants held at  
the Mansion House on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> January 1909

Present The Right Hon The Lord Mayor Sir George Wyall Russell  
Master in the Chair  
G. F. Cross Esq D.L. J.P. F.R.S. Deputy Master  
J. Lee Southgate Esq D.L. Junior Warden  
The Reverend R. H. Stadden M.A. Junior Warden  
W. J. H. Skellock Sir Frederick Bridge M.C. M.A. Secy  
Messrs J. C. Colliard G. D. Hollyn J. Howard Assesrs  
W. C. Fleming E. G. Cooper Sir Edmund Crawford  
A. G. Hunter J. H. Lethbridge J. T. Hill W. P. Fuller  
and Septimus Crest J.P.

Arrears Dividends were paid to the Members present

W. J. C. Colliard  
Treasurer's Cup

The Treasurer W. J. C. Colliard presented a large handsome double handled Silver Cup which he said he would like known as "The Treasurer's Cup" so that the names of all subsequent Treasurers might be engraved upon it. He asked leave to commence with the name of his Great Uncle who was Treasurer in 1838 to show the long connection of his family with the Company and this was readily granted and on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Deputy Master W. Colliard was heartily thanked for his handsome gift.

The Minutes and Proceedings of the Court held on the 27<sup>th</sup> October last were read and confirmed.

Minutes continued

A letter was read from the Reverend S. J. White Blacke the Treasurer

of St. Pauls Cathedral asking for payment of 20 Guineas being 2 Guineas for the Sub-Organist and 18 Guineas for the Gentlemen of the Choir for their attendance at the Special St. Cecilia Service at St. Pauls Cathedral on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November last and as it seemed doubtful by whom the arrangement for the music had been made the matter was left in the hands of the Deputy Master to come to some arrangement with Sir George Martin

Royal Military School of Music The following letter from Colonel A. G. Halford the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music was read

From The Commandant

Royal Military School of Music

To The Secretary

The Worshipful Company of Musicians

Kneller Hall Hereford

25 Jan. '09

Sir

I am anxious if possible to show in some small way our gratitude for and sincere appreciation of the valuable favors and benefits bestowed by The Musicians Company in this Institution during the past year and the great encouragement thereby given to Students of Military Music and believing that the Worshipful Master Warden & Court and Company having shown so great an interest in The Royal Military School of Music would appreciate hearing the full Military Band of 170 performers play a programme here I propose to invite The Worshipful Master Warden & Company to an afternoon concert specially arranged in the month of July

I understand that the Worshipful Master Sir George Wyll  
 Juscott Lord Mayor of London would be present on the afternoon of  
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July and suggest that date hoping that it will meet  
 the convenience of the Company

The invitation is extended of course to the wives and daughters  
 of all members and refreshments will be provided

On hearing from you the views of the Court I will take steps  
 to issue the invitations to every member if you will kindly let me  
 have a complete list with addresses

I am dear Sir

Yours very truly

Alfred G. Balfour

Lieut Colonel

Commandant

Royal Military School of Music

and on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Deputy  
Master the invitation was accepted with thanks

W. W. H. Ash J.P.  
Banner of St. Cecilia

The following letter was read from W. W. H. Ash J.P. a  
 Liveryman of the Company

Bread Street

Golden Square W

Nov 25, 1905

My dear Treasurer

I beg to offer the Banner of St. Cecilia which was used on  
 Monday last to the Worshipful Company of Musicians with my  
 grateful thanks for the kindness the Court & Livery have shown me from  
 the day of my election  
 The Clerk

Yours truly  
 William H. Ash

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and on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Senior Warden  
 the Banner of St Cecilia offered by ~~him~~<sup>her</sup> was accepted with grateful  
 thanks & the Clerk was directed to enter the letter in the Minutes

Carnegie  
Scholarship The following Report from Dr W H Cummings Principal of the  
Guildhall School of Music was read

The Guildhall School of Music  
 Victoria Embankment & Co

To The Worshipful Company of Musicians

'The Carnegie Scholarships'

I have the honor to report that  
 Lionel Stanton 15 years of age possesses exceptional talent and has made  
 admirable progress in his studies. His Masters are much impressed with  
 his natural gifts and ability

Grace Hawkins 17 years of age is also a very gifted Student and  
 has fully profited by the instruction received. She promises to do well

William H Cummings  
 Principal

6 Jan. 1909

S Ernest Palmer  
Scholarship The following Report from Dr W H Cummings was read

The Guildhall School of Music  
 Victoria Embankment & Co

To The Worshipful Company of Musicians

'The S Ernest Palmer Scholarships'

I have the honor to report that  
 R J Stannard 17 years of age has studied and progressed in a  
 very admirable manner. He is qualifying for a University degree and  
 in a recent competition for the 'Muir's Scholarship' of the annual

value of £52.10.0 he was so much in advance of all other candidates that he was nominated for the scholarship and will commence his studies immediately

Marcel J. Herbert has become a splendid pianist and has also done well with his other studies harmony and violin. He resides at Sidmouth Devon and I fear will now have to relinquish further lessons in our School

William H. Cummings  
Principal

6 Jan 1909

The Senior Warden reported that no Ex Chorister of St Pauls had entered for the Scholarship and that as only 2 girls had entered by the date fixed the Examination had been postponed

Sir Frederick Bridge protested that the scholarship ought to have been assigned to Westminster Abbey and after discussion on the proposition of Mr Lilliker seconded by Mr Archer it was resolved that the Scholarship for an Ex Chorister remain in abeyance for 3 months and then be assigned to an Ex Chorister of Westminster Abbey the next succeeding Scholarship to be assigned to St. Pauls. It was decided to hold the Examination for Girls as soon as possible and the Senior Warden undertook to make the necessary arrangements

Apprentices

The question as to the fee to be paid by Apprentices on taking up the Survey of the Company was discussed and the fee for an Apprentice was fixed at £25 in addition to the Tutors fee of 3/- and 1/- for the Badge making a total of £26.3.0 instead of £26.3.0 payable on admission by redemption

The Clerk reported the apprenticeship of Adrian Cedric Beall of Christchurch College Oxford and of Henry James Boyton of Harrow School to the Reverend R. H. Staddon M.A. in the Act of Election.

Treasurer The Treasurer presented his accounts for 1908 which had been made out in a new form separating the ordinary income from the Account for 1908) best income and showing the property of the company. A copy of the Account appears on the next page.

Investment from which it will be seen that a further investment in Metropolitan £107. 19. 2 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock has been made Water (B) Stock

# Income and Expenditure Account

For the

1908  
January 1

## Income

|   |          |      |    |   |
|---|----------|------|----|---|
| Balance in hand at this date  |          | 79   | 13 | 7 |
| Ground rents after deducting Income Tax and commission on collection  |          | 374  | 6  | 6 |
| Dividend on £17.5.5 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock  |          | 26   | 5  | 1 |
| Personation of <u>William Sir George Wyatt Russell &amp; Co</u>   | £50.15.0 |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>Septimus Croft Esq J.P.</u> to ditto   | 50.15.0  |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>G. H. Allen Esq Esq</u> to ditto   | 36.3.0   |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>The Hon G. H. Paine M.A</u> to ditto   | 36.3.0   |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>J. H. Hill Esq</u> to ditto  | 36.3.0   |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>The Hon G. H. Paine M.A</u> to ditto   | 36.3.0   |      |    |   |
| Ditto <u>J. H. Hill Esq</u> to ditto  | 36.3.0   | 282  | 5  | . |
| Received for <u>Trust Tickets</u>   |          | 101  | 5  | . |
| Donation from <u>W. H. Hill Esq</u> for <u>Marching Song</u>  | £52.10.0 |      |    |   |
| Ditto for performance of same in <u>Hopallus &amp; "Miss" Kneller &amp; Co Limited</u> for <u>Finance at Works of</u> | 6.12.0   | 59   | 2  | . |
| <u>Marching Song</u>  | £10.10.0 |      |    |   |
| Ditto to <u>Colbert Planters</u>  | 3.11.6   | 11   | 1  | 6 |
| Subscription from <u>Levy Club</u> towards cost of <u>Stationer's Hall</u>  |          | 10   | 10 | . |
| Ditto from <u>Lord Mayor and Sheriff</u> towards cost of <u>Meal</u> at <u>Lord Mayor's Dinner</u>                    |          | 10   | 10 | . |
| <u>Carnegie Scholarship fees</u>  |          | 7    | 10 | 6 |
| Total   |          | £965 | 9  | 2 |

### Trust Income

|   |  |      |    |    |
|---|--|------|----|----|
| Carnegie Scholarship dividend in <u>United States Steel Corporation</u>   |  | 118  | 12 | 2  |
| 5 per cent <u>Gold Bond</u> for <u>\$5000</u>   |  |      |    |    |
| <u>Ernest Rorer Scholarship</u> ground rents derived from investment of <u>£1000</u> purchased by <u>W. Paine</u>             |  | 100  | 0  | 0  |
| Dividend on <u>£13.16.0 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock</u> purchased with <u>£250</u> cash further purchased by <u>W. Paine</u> |  | 7    | 17 | 10 |
| <u>Southern Memorial</u> Dividend on <u>£173.5.9 like Stock</u>   |  | 5    | 16 | 5  |
| Total   |  | £267 | 15 | 7  |

### The Company's Property on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1908 consisted of

|   |  |        |       |   |
|---|--|--------|-------|---|
| <u>General Property</u>   |  |        |       |   |
| Ground rents producing <u>£774.6.6</u> net per annum say worth <u>25 years purchase</u> |  | £9350  |       |   |
| <u>£175.4.10 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock</u> cost                                      |  | 900    |       |   |
| Rate etc worth say  |  | 750    |       |   |
| Stock of <u>Wine and Cognac</u> say   |  | 150    | 11000 | . |
| <u>Trust Property</u>   |  |        |       |   |
| Ground rents producing <u>£100</u> per annum say at <u>25 years purchase</u>            |  | £1000  |       |   |
| <u>United States Gold Bond</u>  |  | 1000   |       |   |
| <u>£17.1.9 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock</u> cost approximately                          |  | 428    | 2028  | . |
| Total   |  | £13528 | .     | . |

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For the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 1908

1908

Expenditure

|   |          |             |
|---|----------|-------------|
| Legal fees  |          | 63 . .      |
| Less Henry & Payne for 4 dinners (reverted for Great Tablets £101-5-0 as per contra)  |          | 200 12 6    |
| For use of Marlborough Hall   | £78-15-0 |             |
| Extra expenses at dinner per Mr. William Rother   | 20-10-3  |             |
| Dinner  | 5-5-0    | 104 10 3    |
| Notes and buyers purchased during year  |          | 56 5 4      |
| Donations Miss M. Bogg  | £3-3-0   |             |
| South London Music at Festival  | 5-5-0    |             |
| Royal Society of Musicians  | 5-5-0    |             |
| P. Joyce's Memorial Fund  | 5-5-0    | 18 18 .     |
| Music at Taverns including £1-12-0 received from Mr. W. H. Ash as per contra  |          | 28 15 .     |
| Insurance premium on Plate etc  |          | 3 7 .       |
| Cooperators duty  |          | 20 17 6     |
| Printing and Stationery   |          | 39 17 1     |
| Hire of Town  |          | 2 . 6       |
| Clerks Salary   |          | 52 10 .     |
| Badley's P.   |          | 10 10 .     |
| Petty disbursements per Clerk and Jess Cuttings   | £1-1-0   | 15 17 9     |
| Expenses in connection with the Lord Mayor's Treasurer (£10-10-0 received from Lord Mayor and Sheriffs Committee as per contra) |          | 64 16 .     |
| Repaid to Mr. W. Collett Esq. Balance on hand re First Collett Page   |          | 12 15 .     |
| In Edward Elgar for Marching Song (presented by Mr. W. H. Ash as per contra)  |          | 52 10 .     |
| Medals  |          | 4 16 .      |
| Cheque Book   |          | 14 2 .      |
| Investment £107-19-2 Metropolitan Water (B) Stock   |          | 100 . .     |
|   |          | £ 532 2 1   |
| <u>Trust Expenditure</u>  |          |             |
| Carnegie Scholarships   | 46-0-0   |             |
| Robert Adam etc   | 46-0-0   |             |
| Lo Ham Memorial   | 5-5-0    | 97-5-0      |
| Examiners fee in connection with Carnegie Scholarships  |          | 15-15-0     |
| Dec. 31 Balance at Bank at this date  |          | 113 72 13 6 |

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The Treasurer explained the accounts and pointed out that considerable expenditure had been accumulated on account of the exceptional year but notwithstanding this £100 had been invested.

On the proposition of the Master seconded by the Deputy Master the accounts were adopted and a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Treasurer for his services.

Company's Finance

The Junior Warden suggested that as the Company's expenditure on account of its many necessary outlays was largely increasing it might be desirable to increase the fees by charging a small fine on taking the office of Master or Warden. Sir Henwood Crawford supported this view and it was unanimously resolved that the matter should be referred to a Committee to consist of the Master Deputy Master the Wardens the Treasurer the Senior Past Master Sir Fredrick Pratch and Sir Henwood Crawford to consider the matter and report to the Court.

Incorporated Society of Musicians

A letter from the Secretary of the Incorporated Society of Musicians asking whether the Company would appoint a representative to form one of a deputation to the Minister of Education with reference to the registration of qualified teachers of music was considered. Mr Cooper read a letter which he had received from Mr Runciman the Minister of Education on the subject and expressed the hope that the Master would consent to go as the representative of the Company in his dual capacity of Lord Mayor and Master. Sir Henwood Crawford suggested that the Senior Warden be added so that he might go in case the Master's engagements prevented him from attending.

The Junior Warden thought perhaps it might be better for the Company not to take part in the deputation and Mr Collard

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endorsed this view but after discussion it was on the proposition of  
 Sir Honoured Crawford seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge resolved that the  
 Master should attend as the representative of the Company and that  
 feeling his inability to attend the Amice Warden should go in his stead

International  
Conference on  
Music The Deputy Master explained the circumstances under which it was  
 proposed Sir Alexander Mackenzie an Honorary Freeman of the Company  
 should attend at Vienna in May next to preside at the International  
 Conference on Music and stated that he thought it would be very advisable  
 if Sir Alexander could attend as the representative and at the expense of  
 the Company which he the Deputy Master was willing to defray. Mr  
 Latham pointed out certain difficulties but said that Sir Alexander  
 could certainly attend the Haydn's Commemoration that was to be held  
 during the Conference as the representative of the Company and after  
 discussion it was resolved

That the Court of the Musicians Company has heard with great  
 satisfaction that Sir Alexander Mackenzie one of its Honorary Freeman  
 is to preside at the International Conference on Music to be held at  
 Vienna in May next and begs to offer him its congratulations on the  
 honorable position conferred upon him and requests him to be good  
 enough to act as the representative of the Company at the forthcoming  
 Haydn commemoration

Hensington and  
West London  
Musical Competition  
Festival A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary of the Hensington  
 and West London Musical Competition Festival asking for support but it  
 was decided that the Company had no funds available for the purpose

New Members Sir Frederick Bridge proposed that Mr Alberto Visetti Professor at the  
Royal College of Music be elected a Member of the Company  
 seconded by Mr A G Hunter and carried unanimously

Mr A C Hunter proposed that Mr Frederick Hugh Jackson of 12 Fokenhouse Yard & Co be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Mr E E Cooper and carried unanimously

Mr A F Hill proposed that Mr John Madocm of 41 South Audley Street W be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge and carried unanimously

Mr A F Hill proposed that Mr Albert C Phillips of 6 North Common Road, Edgware be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Mr J C Bellard and carried unanimously

Mr A F Hill proposed that Mr James Gardner Chapman of 16 Alexandra Road, South, Manchester be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by the Junior Warden Mr Rowland R W Hodder and carried unanimously

Mr J C Bellard proposed that Mr Miss Lindler of 32 Wigmore Street W be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Mr A F Hill and carried unanimously

Mr A C Hunter proposed that Mr Oliver Hawkes of 105 Old End West Heath Avenue, Harpenden NW be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Mr A F Hill and carried unanimously

The Deputy Master Mr C F D. Brown proposed that Mr Charles Engelhart of 6 The Belton South Kensington SW be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Sir Rowland Crawford and carried unanimously

The Deputy Master proposed that Mr Paul Adolf Schloesser of 151 St John Street East be elected a Member of the Company  
 Seconded by Sir Rowland Crawford and carried unanimously

Investments. The Treasurer said that having regard to the large sum that would

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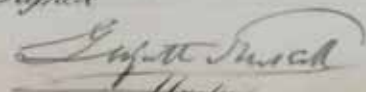
he received in fees from these new Liverymen he proposed to invest £300 or a like proportion of the fees received and this suggestion was approved

Admission of Liverymen Having regard to the proposed admission of Mr J Math Jackson that evening The Reverend W H Madden objected as a matter of principle to the admission of any new Liverymen out of his order of election as it might give a Liveryman undue precedence in years to come and after discussion it was resolved that it be an instruction to the Clerk that Liverymen should only be elected in the order in which he received notice of their nomination

Miss Mary A E Biggs A letter from Miss Mary A E Biggs was read praying for relief and on the proposition of Mr Skelbeck seconded by Mr Hoblyn it was resolved that £3.3.0 be given her as a donation

The following accounts were passed for payment

|   | £   | s  | d  |
|---|-----|----|----|
| The Worshipful Company of Stationers for use of Hall to date                    | 21  | .  | .  |
| Miss King & Pymper for Livery Dinner on the 27 <sup>th</sup> October last       | 109 | 7  | .  |
| James Huxcott & Co Ltd Printing Programmes for ditto                            | 15  | 9  | 6  |
| Miss Charles Jacques & Co for printing Regulations re Ernest Palmer Scholarship | 1   | 1  | 6  |
| Miss Sarah Baker & Co for Advertisements re ditto                               | 2   | 13 | .  |
| Miss Edie Son & Ravenscroft for hire and care of Trains                         | 6   | 10 | .  |
| Miss J Warner & Co Printing and Lithographing account                           | 8   | 2  | 11 |
| Mr J Brown Butlers Salary   | 5   | 5  | .  |
| Miss Robert Gray & Co for Cigars  | 5   | 19 | 3  |
| Clerks Quarters Salary to date  | 113 | 2  | 6  |
| Ditto Disbursements for Quarter ended 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec: 1908                | 7   | 3  | 3  |
| Headclerks Quarters Salary to date  | 2   | 12 | 6  |
|   | 198 | 6  | 5  |

Signed  
  
 Master

The Dinner following the Court was held at the Mansion House

24<sup>th</sup> January 1789 Mr. John Henry Nes of Spencer Chambers 210 Strand W.C. was  
this day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid  
the fees

Mr. Frederick Smith Jackson of 12 Abchurch Lane E.C. was this  
day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid  
the fees

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Present

Mr. B. Knight  
W. H. Mitchell  
Mr. Gordon  
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At a Court Assistants held at the  
Mansion House on Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> April 1909

Present The Right Hon. The Lord Mayor Sir George Wynter Jessell  
Master in the Chair

C. F. D. Lewis Esq. D.L., J.P., F.R.S. Deputy Master

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

The Hon. R. H. Madden M.A. Junior Warden

Messrs. J. H. Shellock, J. C. Colford, L. D. Holtby,

J. Howard Fisher, W. C. Stanning, E. E. Cooper, Sir

Monwood Crawford, A. C. Hunter, J. H. Littleton, J. F.

Hill, W. P. Fuller and Clifford B. Edgar Esq. J.P. Mus. Prae

Sixteen Guineas were paid to the Members present

Mr. J. B. Knight The Clerk reported the death of Mr. John Burgess Knight who was  
Mr. J. H. Shellock the Father of the Company and stated that Mr. John Henry Shellock  
the Senior Past Master was now the Father of the Company

The Minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 26<sup>th</sup> January  
last were read and confirmed

St Cecilia } The Clerk reported the settlement of the claim made by the  
Sub-organist } Sub-Organist and Gentlemen of the Choir of St. Pauls Cathedral in  
connection with the last St. Cecilia Service at the sum of Eleven Guineas  
being £2.2.0 for the Sub-Organist and 10.0 for each of the  
Gentlemen of the Choir

Ernest Palmer } A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Stannard the last holder of the  
Scholarship } Palmer Scholarship thanking the Company for the great benefit he had  
derived from the excellent tuition received at the Guildhall School of Music

The following Report from the Examiners for the Girls' Scholarship was read

To the Court of the Worshipful Company of Musicians

We have to report that on July 18<sup>th</sup> according to instructions we conducted an Examination to select a candidate for the Company's Palmer Scholarship now vacant. This took place in the room of the Principal at the Guildhall School of Music.

Five candidates presented themselves for examination. For the most part they proved to be below the standard which we think should be maintained for this Scholarship. One however Miss Edith Maud Herby of 9 Prosper Road Upper Holloway aged 16 was particularly good. She presented herself first for Pianoforte and secondly for singing. Miss Herby gained full marks in nearly all the subjects in which she was tested and we recommend her for the scholarship.

Signed E. Mackham Sec. M.A. Mrs. T. Cantab

Allen Gill F.R.S.M.

William H. Cummings Mus. D.

The Sea Southgate D.C.L.

Miss Herby has been well educated, she holds excellent certificates for general subjects and for Music and on the proposition of the Junior Warden seconded by Sir Henwood Crawford it was received and adopted.

The following Report from the Examiners for the Scholarship for Ex-Choristers of Westminster Abbey was read  
To the Master Warden and Court of the Worshipful Company of Musicians

In compliance with directions I attended at the Guildhall School

of Music on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> to examine the candidates for the Company's vacant Talner Scholarship

Three Ex-Chorists from Westminster Abbey presented themselves Of these John Eric Satter aged 17 proved by far the best. He obtained nearly full marks in all the subjects tested, played the pianoforte and violin with musicianly feeling and is further sharpening the organ. He is a youth of considerable promise and I recommend him to the Court for election to the Scholarship

Signed George C. Martin

Having been present at and assisted in this Examination we concur in the recommendation of Sir George Martin

William H. Cummings

The Sea Southgate

April 21<sup>st</sup> 1909

Senior Warden

and on the proposition of the Senior Warden seconded by Sir Hemwood Crawford it was received and adopted

Benevolent Fund

The following Report from the Committee of the Benevolent Fund was read

At a Meeting of the Benevolent Fund Committee held on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1909

Present C. I. D. Crews Esq. D. L. J. P. Deputy Master on the Chair

The Senior Warden

The Junior Warden

The Treasurer and Messrs F. Harwood Archer and A. F. Hill

After the Senior Warden had explained the position and work of The Royal Society of Musicians it was on the proposition of the Junior Warden seconded by Mr F. Harwood Archer unanimously resolved that the formation of a Benevolent Fund be postponed *vide etc*



It was also resolved that the £2 received by Mr. A. F. Hill from Mr. J. Wade Talbot a Sworyman of the Company in account of the proposed Fund should be placed on deposit at the Compost Bankers in Mr. Hill's name to await further direction

The Junior Warden explained the reasons for the report and on his proposition seconded by Mr. Fisher the Report was received and adopted

Company's  
Finances

The following Report from the Finance Committee was read

At a Meeting of The Finance Committee held on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1909

Present - C. J. D. Gwynne Esq. J. P. Deputy Master on the Chair

The Senior Warden The Junior Warden and the Treasurer

It was unanimously resolved to make the following recommendations to the Court viz

1. That the Swory fine and fees including stamps &c be increased from £13.6.0 to 50 Guineas (£50.10.0) such increase to take effect in the case of Members elected after the next Court
2. That it be a general instruction to the Treasurer to invest £30 of all fees received from new Sworymen
3. That the following fine be in future paid by the Master and Wardens on taking Office viz
  - (a) On election to the Office of Junior Warden £5.5.0
  - (b) On election to the Office of Senior Warden £5.5.0
  - (c) On election to the Office of Master £10.10.0
4. That it be left to the discretion of the Treasurer to invest any amount received from Members on election to the Court as circumstances permit

Finance Committee

Military Band  
Competition

5 That having regard to the large influx of new Members it might be advisable to limit the Membership of the Company to a fixed number or in the alternative to hold two Livery Dinners in the Spring and Autumn of each year and to invite one half of the Livery to the Spring Dinner and the remaining half to the Autumn Dinner. and after discussion the recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 were adopted the words reporting thereon from time to time to the Court being added to the end of N<sup>o</sup> 14 but it was resolved that recommendation 5 should be adjourned sine die

Wine Committee

The following Report from the Wine Committee was read

At a Meeting of The Wine Committee held on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1909

Present - G. F. D. Lewis Esq. Deputy Master on the Chair

The Senior Warden, The Junior Warden and the Treasurer

It was left to the Deputy Master and the Treasurer to invest such sum as they thought fit in the purchase of Wine for the purpose of laying down and for immediate use and the Clerk was instructed to obtain quotations from 14 selected firms of Wine Merchants

The Treasurer stated that £178. 19. 6 had been invested in the purchase of Wine and the Report was adopted

Military Band Competition

The Senior Warden stated that 113 M.S.S. had been secured and read the following Report which was directed to be entered on the Minutes

Interim Report April 27/09

The Court may like to know the present position with regard to the Competition for the 5 Prizes offered for pieces of music written and scored for a full Military Band as directed at the Meeting of the Court

held 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 1905

The Committee appointed at that Court drew up an Advertisement which duly appeared in the Musical and other newspapers setting forth the conditions and Prizes offered. Paragraphs mentioning the scheme were likewise sent out to the daily press and in "Musical News" appeared articles giving special information respecting the type of musical composition to those intending to enter.

Lieut. F. Albert Williams Bandmaster of the Grenadier Guards one of those named by the Court as "Assistants in Judging" was good enough to deliver a Lecture illustrated by his Band on "Military Music Training" at the Royal College of Music by permission of Sir Hubert Parry. This was largely attended and it is believed that it has been of much assistance to the composers.

At the expiration of the time allotted for the work to be done it was found that 113 Manuscripts had been sent in some coming from Canada and parts of the Empire as distant as India + Birmah. As yet these pieces have been looked and only glanced through to see that they complied with the conditions set out.

Sir Frederick Bridge has asked for the Committee to be called together on May 3<sup>rd</sup> to settle the mode of procedure and arrange for the due examination of the pieces sent in. It is proposed to form a Sub-Committee of 6 members to undertake this work in the first instance and then to report to the General Committee.

In support of the scheme I have received up to the present time £7.8.6 Of this £5.0 represents the Special Prize money

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we offer Mr. Palmer's 50 Guineas is not yet to hand. The Prize money has been paid to and is held by the Treasurer. Charges for advertisements postage-printing of Regulations etc amounting at present to £5.18.1 have been paid. This leaves in hand a balance of £25.5.5 towards the expenses of publication etc. More will certainly be required but further sums have been ~~promised~~ <sup>promised</sup> and it is hoped that sufficient will be received to carry through the scheme successfully.

In considering the extensive examination work that has to be done it is desirable to give the Committee power to increase the Committee by putting some more professional Members of the Company on that body. Perhaps some one will move that this be done.

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Senior Warden

Dr. G. J. Bennett a Member of the Company was added to the Committee.

Calande Gibbons } The Senior Warden called attention to the fact that the Calande  
Bust } Gibbons Bust in Westminster Abbey presented by Mr. A. J. D. Lewis had no  
 inscription identifying it with the Company and it was arranged that  
 Canon Duckworth should be approached with reference to the matter.

Printers Pension Corporation } A letter was read from the Board of Stewards of the Estival of the  
Printers Pension Corporation of which the Master was Honorary Treasurer  
 asking for a donation and on the proposition of the Treasurer seconded by  
 Sir Hemwood Crawford it was resolved to subscribe 10 Guineas to the Fund  
 for which the Master thanked the Court.

Music Loan Exhibition } Mr. A. H. Littleton presented the Court with a copy of the Illustrated  
 catalogue of the Music Loan Exhibition and made the following remarks  
 which the Clerk was directed to put on the Minutes.

My Lord Mayor

It gives me the greatest possible pleasure to lay before you as  
Worshipful Master of the Musicians Company the first completed  
copy of the Illustrated Catalogue of the Exhibition organised and  
held by the Company in 1904

The time occupied in producing this Catalogue must appear to  
you all extraordinarily long. I can only excuse this by saying  
that the production of the work at all has been most  
extraordinarily difficult

The Worshipful Master could tell you that the mere material  
result which you see on the table represents a very large amount  
of labour trouble and expense

But this material part is not equal to one tenth of the  
expenditure of time and thought in preparing and putting together  
the contents of the volume

The difficulties in obtaining accuracy in a catalogue of this kind  
can only be appreciated by those who have had experience of  
similar work

How far we have succeeded in securing any thing like accuracy  
we shall probably very soon learn from our kind friends the critics  
both public and private

We have to acknowledge with many thanks very valuable help from  
Members of the Society, from Members of this Court and more than all  
from my friend Mr Arthur Hill. The volume must now speak for  
itself and should it be the means of adding a fraction to the honour  
and glory of the Worshipful Company of Musicians those concerned in its  
production will feel themselves amply repaid

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Mr. W. C. Hering who was Master of the Company in 1904 when the Exhibition was held and he would like to present the Company with another copy which could be suitably bound and kept at Stationers Hall for inspection and he was thanked for his gift

Mr. Cross said he would be pleased to place 5 more copies beyond the 15 ordered by the Company at the disposal of the Court and on the proposition of Sir Stemeved Crawford seconded by the Junior Warden it was resolved that one copy should be presented to the Worshipful Master as Lord Mayor and that the other 19 copies should be distributed as follows

- (1) To be retained by the Clerk on behalf of the Company
- (2) H. M. The King
- (3) H. R. H. The Prince of Wales
- (4) The Worshipful Company of Fishmongers
- (5) The Guildhall Library
- (6) The Royal College of Music
- (7) The Royal Academy of Music
- (8) The Guildhall School of Music
- (9) Trinity College of Music
- (10) The University of London
- (11) The University of Oxford
- (12) The University of Cambridge
- (13) The University of Durham
- (14) The University of Edinburgh
- (15) Trinity College Dublin
- (16) The Society of Antiquaries
- (17) The Royal Military School of Music, Woolton Hall

- (18) The Victoria and Albert Museum  
 (19) The Royal Manchester College of Music and  
 (20) To be hereafter decided

It was also resolved that the copies to be presented to the King and the Prince of Wales should be suitably bound

On the proposition of Sir Homewood Crauford seconded by Mr. E. E. Cooper Mr. A. F. Hill was cordially thanked for his services in the matter

Company

Hand Book The clerk reported that he had only 15 copies of the Hand Book (a copy of which is given to each new Surveyor in Admission) left but Mr. Hill the Treasurer of the Society Club said the clerk had still several copies left which they would be pleased to sell to the Company at a reasonable price and the clerk was directed to arrange with Mr. Hill accordingly

The clerk was also instructed to have an inset of new Members of the Company to date prepared to bring the Hand Book up to date

New Members

Sir Homewood Crauford proposed that Mr. William Otto Adolph Julius Danckwerts F.C. of 7 New Court Carey Street W.C. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Mr. F. Harwood Archer and carried unanimously

The Master proposed that Sir John Edward Arthur Murray Scott Bart. F.C.B. of 5 Connaught Place Hyde Park W. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Mr. E. E. Cooper and carried unanimously

The Master proposed that Mr. Walter Montagu Scott of 5 Connaught Place Hyde Park W. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Mr. A. F. Hill and carried unanimously

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Mr. S. F. Hill proposed that Mr. Leopold Herman Rosenbaum of 27 Abchurch Lane S.W. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Mr. A. C. Hunter and carried unanimously

Mr. G. D. Kellyn proposed that Mr. Hugh Valentine Cholmeley of 19 Hamilton Terrace N.W. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Mr. C. E. Cooper and carried unanimously

The Senior Warden proposed that Lieutenant Albert Williams M.V.O. of 28 Ingham Road S.W. be elected a Member of the Company

Seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously

The following accounts were passed for payment

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| The Worshipful Company of Stationers for use of Hall to date               | 21   | .  | .  |
| Messrs King & Brymer for Court Dinner on the 26 <sup>th</sup> January last | 60   | 11 | .  |
| Messrs Robert Gray & Co. For Wines   | 34   | 1  | .  |
| Messrs Hayden & Reid For do  | 58   | 10 | .  |
| Messrs Chas. Richards & Co. For do   | 148  | 12 | .  |
| Messrs Andrews & Co. For do  | 37   | 11 | .  |
| Messrs Turner & Jackson For extra Wine bins                                | 2    | 19 | 6  |
| Mr. Am. Broad For printing Invitations                                     | 3    | .  | .  |
| Messrs J. Warner & Co. Printing and lithographing account                  | 2    | 11 | 8  |
| Clerks quarters Salary to date   | £13  | 2  | 6  |
| Wife Disturbance for quarter ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 1909             | 11   | 11 | 3  |
| Beadles Quarters Salary to date  | 2    | 12 | 6  |
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Signed, Wm. Fisher  
 Deputy Master



The dinner following the Court was held at the Mansion House  
27<sup>th</sup> April 1909 Mr. Albert Edgar Phillips of 140 New Bond Street W. was this  
 day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid  
 the fees

Mr. James Gardner Chapman of 16 Alexandra Road South  
 Manchester was this day admitted to the Society by the Master  
 having previously paid the fees

27<sup>th</sup> April 1909 Mr. Max Lindlar of Bechstein Hall Wigmore Street W. was  
 this day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously  
 paid the fees

Mr. Charles Engelbert of 6 The Boltons S.W. was this day  
 admitted to the Society by the Master having previously paid  
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Mr. Paul Adolf Schleuser of Fiddhead Boston Kent was  
 this day admitted to the Society by the Master having previously  
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Mr. Oliver Haukes of Gilders End West North Avenue  
 Hampstead was this day admitted to the Society by the Master  
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Met a Court of Assistants held at  
the Mansion House on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> July 1909

Present C. T. D. Grews Esq<sup>r</sup> D.L.J.P., J.S.A., Deputy-Master on the Chair  
T. Lea Southgate Esq<sup>r</sup> D.C.L. Senior Warden  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> J. H. Skilbeck, Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.O. M.D. Dec.  
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A. H. Littleton, A. F. Hill, Colonel T. B. Shaw Miller J.P.  
and Septimus Craft J.P.

Sixteen Guineas were paid to the Members present including one guinea to the Master who came in later after fulfilling a public engagement

The Minutes and Proceedings of the Court held on the 27<sup>th</sup> April last were read and confirmed

The Rev. W. H. Staddon M.A. reported the sudden death of the Junior Warden the Reverend W. H. Staddon M.A. on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 1909 and stated that the funeral service at St Marks North Audley Street W had been attended by the Senior Warden and 8 other Members of the Court and the Clerk the Master and Sir Homewood Crawford being prevented by a public engagement from being present

On the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by the Deputy-Master a sincere vote of condolence and sympathy with M<sup>rs</sup> Staddon and her family was passed and the Clerk was directed to transmit the same to M<sup>rs</sup> Staddon

M<sup>r</sup> Hill expressed the hope that one or other of M<sup>rs</sup> Staddon's

Line would join the Company on attaching 21 in order to perpetuate an honored name

Master's Hammer

The Deputy Master expressed his intention of presenting a Master's Hammer to the Company and the design for such Hammer was inspected and much admired

Music Loan

Exhibition

Mr. A. H. Sillitoe presented the Company with another copy of the Illustrated Catalogue of the Music Loan Exhibition very handsomely bound and the copies for presentation to the King and the Prince of Wales were laid on the table and it was left to the Master to try and make arrangements to present these copies personally to the King and the Prince of Wales

On the proposition of Mr. A. F. Hill seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge it was resolved that the copy presented to the Company by Mr. Sillitoe should be kept in a suitable glass case at Statenus Hall

The Clerk reported that the remainder of the copies had been distributed as instructed (ante p. 100) and acknowledgments from all the Institutions to which copies had been sent were laid on the table

Orlando Gibbons

Rest

A letter was read from Canon Duckworth stating that the Dean of Westminster would not consent to any inscription being placed under the Rest of Orlando Gibbons in Westminster Abbey

Junior Warden

On the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by Mr. E. C. Cooper Mr. A. H. Sillitoe was unanimously elected Junior Warden in the place of the late Mr. R. H. Hudson and made the necessary Declaration

The question as to whether the newly imposed Warden's fine of £5.5.0 should be imposed under the circumstances were discussed and

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Military Band

Competition

The following further report was read by the Senior Warden and decided to be entered on the Minutes.

The Committee appointed by the Special Court on October 14<sup>th</sup> 1908 to deal with the Military Band pieces Competition has to report that 2 meetings have been held.

At the first of these May 3/09 held at the house of Sir Frederick Bridge a Sub Committee consisting of Sir Frederick Bridge P. G. J. Bennett P. E. Markham Sec. Mr. G. H. Allan Gill P. W. H. Cummings & P. J. Lea Southgate was appointed to deal in the first instance with the Manuscripts sent in. The principles and standard on which pieces were to be selected for a final performance were discussed and settled. The members of the Sub Committee were requested to undertake this examination task and report which in their opinion were the 12 best pieces submitted.

The Senior Warden reported that 119 manuscripts had been sent in comprising 30 Overtures 40 Marches 23 Suites 11 Fantasies and 15 works in other forms.

The M. S. S. were subsequently gone through by the members of the Sub Committee notes made as to each piece offered and 12 were selected to compete for the Prizes.

The rejected compositions were returned to their several writers together with a letter of thanks and regret that they could not be

included in the trial performance

The motto envelopes of the composers of the 12 pieces selected were opened by the clerk and they were each asked to furnish a set of Parts for performance. Four of these replied that they had not sufficient time to copy out these and could not afford to give the task to a copyist

After consultation it was deemed advisable that the expense should be borne by the funds subscribed for the competition generally

The pieces are now nearly all ready for trial

A second meeting of the Committee was held at the Mansion House June 28<sup>th</sup> 189

The Report of the Sub Committee as to the progress made was read and accepted. It was decided that the scores should go to the 2 military experts named, Captain A. J. Shetton of Shettles Hall and Mr Dan Godfrey Conductor of the Devonmouth Orchestra so that they might become acquainted with the pieces selected and make any notes they thought proper in advance of the performance for judging the 5 Prizes

At this meeting Lieut. D. Albert Williams attended and undertook to study the 12 selected pieces, have trial performances of them which the Committee could attend, and finally to produce them with the Guards Band. This offer was accepted and D. Williams was thanked for his valuable help.

There has been received up to the present time in respect of the Prizes and donations towards the expenses a sum of £89. 10. 6

In respect of the amount set aside for the Prizes after accounts are paid there is in hand a balance of £

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On the proposition of Mr J H Skilbeck seconded by Mr Sexter the Amici Nauden and the Committee were thanked for their services

Imperial Amici College Trust The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from H R H Prince Christian asking for a donation towards the Imperial Amici College Trust and stated that the Deputy Master Mr Crews had made a donation of £25 on behalf of the Company and Mr Crews was thanked for his further liberality

Smith London Musical Festival A letter was read from Mr J Sester Jones asking the Company to give another Prize of £5 at the 1910 Festival and on the proposition of Sir Frederick Bridge seconded by Sir Hamwood Crawford it was decided to give a Prize of £5 on the understanding that it was in no way to be treated as a precedent

Company's Silver Medal It was resolved that the Company's Silver Medal for the present year should be bestowed upon Miss Ellen Constance Edwards Pianist the Miss Ellen Constance Edwards Student of the Royal College of Music recommended by Sir C Hubert Parry the Director

Mr Rudolph O'Donnell A letter was read from Colonel A G Balfour the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music Kneller Hall recommending Student Rudolph O'Donnell as being the most talented Student of the Amici Class at Kneller Hall and worthy to receive the Company's medal for 1909 and the recommendation was approved

Student Rudolph O'Donnell is a Brother of Mr Bertram O'Donnell

M. A. M. the Company's Silver Medalist for 1905

Company's Band

Sir Homewood Crawford moved that it be referred to a Special Committee to consider the desirability of forming a permanent band in connection with the company for the advancement of British Music and that such committee do consist of the Master Wardens Treasurer Sir Frederick Budge M<sup>r</sup>. C. J. D. Cross Sir Homewood Crawford and Mess<sup>rs</sup> A. H. Littleton A. F. Hill and G. W. Edgar with power to add to their number.

This was seconded by the Deputy Master and after discussion the committee as suggested was appointed accordingly.

New Members

The Deputy Master proposed that Sir Vincent Henry Penabaz Cullaut of 42 Half Moon Street W. be elected a member of the company.

Seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously.

M<sup>r</sup>. A. F. Hill proposed that M<sup>r</sup>. Edwin Charles Houghtons of 155<sup>2</sup> New Bond Street W. whose Apprenticeship Indentures had just expired be elected a member of the company.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. J. C. Belland and carried unanimously.

The Deputy Master proposed that M<sup>r</sup>. Sydney John Lee of 14 Lancaster Lane W. be elected a member of the company.

Seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously.

Apprentices Fees

The Clerk enquired whether having regard to the recent increase in the Ivory fine it was still intended to admit Apprentices on payment of a fine of £26.3.0 as resolved on the 26<sup>th</sup> January last (ante page 83) and it was resolved that the fine payable by Apprentices should remain at that figure.

On the proposition of M<sup>r</sup>. A. F. Hill seconded by the Junior Warden

it was resolved to invite Mr Edward Lloyd as a distinguished professional Musical Guest to the Livery Banquet on October and feeling him to invite Mr George Elwes And on the proposition of the Senior Warden seconded by the Junior Warden it was resolved to invite Mr Richard Peyton of Birmingham as a distinguished amateur Musician and feeling him Mr Selby Alexander

The Right Hon The Master here entered the room having been detained by a public engagement and on the proposition of the Senior Past Master Mr J. H. Shellock seconded by the Treasurer was heartily congratulated on the honour conferred upon him by being created a Baronet

The Master suitably returned thanks

Frederick of The Master proposed that the Freedom of the company should be presented to Lieutenant Colonel Alfred Gurnville Balfour the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music Kneller Hall in recognition of his services to the company which was now so closely connected with the Royal Military School of Music This was seconded by the Deputy Master and carried unanimously with a cordial vote of thanks for the entertainment provided by Colonel Balfour and the Officers at Kneller Hall for the company on the 8<sup>th</sup> instant

The following accounts were passed for payment

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| The Worshipful Company of Stationers For use of Hall to date                                       | 21 . . |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> King & Brymer for band Dinner on 27 <sup>th</sup> April last                    | 60 2 . |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> J. Warner & Co. Printing and lithographing account to the 30 <sup>th</sup> June | 3 15 9 |

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| Clerks quarters Salary to date  | £ 13    | 2    | 6  |        |
| Bills, disbursements for quarter ending 30 <sup>th</sup> June 1909                                | 10      | 5    | 0  | 23 7 6 |
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| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Jas <sup>rs</sup> Tuscott & Co <sup>s</sup> Limited Printing account           |         | 3    | 5  |        |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Geo <sup>s</sup> Henning & Co <sup>s</sup> Lim <sup>d</sup> Engraving 9 Badges |         |      | 18 |        |
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Signed

*John M. M. Master*

After the Dinner following the beast a Stomn Dege in memory of the late Junior Warden The Reverend R. H. Hadden M. A. expressly composed for the occasion by Sir Edward Elgar was played

13<sup>th</sup> July 1909 The Honorable Alexander Nelson Hood (Duke of Bronte) of 7 William Crescent S.W. was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

Mr Albert Vixell of 124 Knightsbridge S.W. was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

Mr Jan Zachary Malcolm of 41 South Audley Street W. was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

Mr William Otto Adolph Julius Danckwerts M. C. of 7 New Court Carey Street W.C. was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

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Mr Leopold Herman Rosenbaum of 27 Grosvenor Road SW was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

Mr Hugh Valentine Chelmsley of 19 Hamilton Terrace NW was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

Lieutenant Albert Williams M.V.O. M.D. Dec of 28 Regent Road SW was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fees

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At a Court of Assistants held  
at the Manston House on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 1909

Present The Right Hon. The Lord Mayor Sir George Wyatt Russell  
Bar. in the Chair

C. J. D. Cross Esq. D.L. J.P. F.S.A. Deputy Master

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

A. H. Littleton Esq. Junior Warden

Mess<sup>rs</sup> J. H. Skilbeck, Sir Frederick Budge M.C. Mus. Doc.

J. G. Cottard, C. D. Hoblyn J. Herwood Teacher

W. C. Fleming, Altman, G. E. Cooper, Sir Herwood Crawford

A. C. Hunter, A. F. Hill F.S.A. W. P. Fuller,

Colonel J. B. Shaw Keller J.P. Clifford B. Colyer Esq<sup>r</sup>

J. P. Mus. Bac. and Stephen Craft J.P.

18 Guineas were paid to the Members present

The Minutes and Proceedings of the Court held on the 15<sup>th</sup>  
July last were read and confirmed

Masters Hammer

The Deputy Master M. C. J. D. Cross presented an Irish Hammer  
recently gift for the use of the Master and on the proposition of the  
Master seconded by the Senior Warden he was thanked for his further  
liberality

Music Loan

The following letters were read from Lord Knollys and Sir Arthur  
Bryce and ordered to be entered on the Minutes

Exhibition

Buckingham Palace

Dear Lord Mayor

10<sup>th</sup> August 1909

I have submitted the Record of the Music Loan Exhibition to

M. Alderman  
E. C. Cooper

The King and I am commanded by His Majesty to thank you for it  
Believe me

Yours truly,

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The Right Hon

The Lord Mayor of London

Marlborough House

Ball Mall SW

My dear Lord Mayor

16<sup>th</sup> July 1909

I have laid before the Prince of Wales the copy of the Illustrated Catalogue of the Music Loan Exhibition held at the Fishmongers Hall in June and July 1904 which you on behalf of the Worshipful Company of Musicians have presented to His Royal Highness

I am directed to ask you to convey to the Company the expression of His Royal Highness' best thanks for this interesting and beautifully prepared record of an Exhibition of which His Royal Highness and the Princess preserve the most pleasant recollections

Believe me

Yours very faithfully

Arthur Bigge

The Rt Honble

The Lord Mayor

Mansion House E.C.

Mr Alderman  
E. E. Cooper } The Clerk reported the election of Past Master Edward Ernest Cooper as an Alderman for the Cornhill Ward and on the proposition of the Master seconded by Sir Howard Crawford a hearty vote of congratulation to Mr Alderman and Mr Cooper was passed

Mr Alderman Cooper suitably replied and announced that he had been put on the Committee of the Guildhall School of Music

The Rev W H Hadden M A A letter was read from Mr Hadden thanking the Court for their vote of condolence and sympathy and stating that if she could manage it she would like one or other of her Sons to become a Member of the Company in due course

Colonel A G Balfour A letter was read from Colonel A G Balfour cordially accepting the Freedom of the Company and thanking the Court for the high honour it proposed to do him

Vacancy on Court The Clerk reported that he had communicated with Captain A C Chamier as instructed and a letter was read from Captain Chamier stating that he would be happy to accept a seat on the Court if elected and on the proposition of Mr A J Hill seconded by Colonel Shaw Heller, Captain Chamier was unanimously elected an Assistant

Mr W H Ash J P A letter was read from Mr W H Ash J P a Sovereign of the Company offering the Court a Silver Cup known as a "Sceptle Cup" being a copy of a cup made in the reign of James I to commemorate his Presidency of the Sivery Club and on the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge the Cup was accepted with thanks and the Clerk was directed to so inform Mr Ash

Military Band Competition The following further report was read and directed to be entered on the Minutes

The Worshipful Company of Musicians  
Seventh Musical Competition

The Committee appointed by the Court to deal with the scheme

of a competition for new pieces of music written by native composers for a full military band present their Final Report.

It has already been stated in an interim Report that in response to the advertisements issued 119 pieces were sent in. We now know that many of these came from young composers most of whom had never before essayed this type of composition as well as from Army Band masters and Conductors. The pieces were sent from parts of the Empire as far distant as Burmah India South Africa Canada and Malta. This much is mentioned to show the great interest taken in the scheme and how widely the conditions of the competition have been circulated.

The Sub-Committee of Experts went through the works and eventually selected 20 for further examination. These were then reduced to 12 the scores and the parts (which had to be provided) were delivered to Lieut. Albert Williams M.C. Mus. Dec. for study & practice by the band of the Grenadier Guards. Dr. Williams most courteously placed his valuable services at our disposal. At the last of the rehearsals held at which most of the committee attended it was determined to reduce the number of the pieces to be further studied and presented to the Judges to 7 these being deemed by far the most worthy to compete for the Prizes offered.

The final testing took place at The Queens Westminster Volunteers Hall Buckingham Gate on Wednesday morning Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. Twelve of the Members of the Committee including the Military Music Experts were present and were furnished with voting papers provided with the usual divisions for judging the several features of such music. The Master attended and formally expressed the thanks of the Company to Dr. Williams and his Band for the time and great pains they had

taken to study and produce this new music. At the close of the performance Sir Frederick Bridge again thanked the players and pointed out the import of this novel competition and the desire of the Musicians Company to help British music in every way.

The aggregate result of the marking is as follows:-

- 325 marks to a Suite of 3 movements bearing the motto "Back to the Land" Found to be by Mr. Percy E. Fletcher 16 Euston Mansions Queens Club Gardens W
- 266 To an Overture Motto "A Lost Cause" By Mr. Walter "Wesche" 135 Piccadilly Mansions Elgin Avenue W
- 256 To a Grand March Motto "Toujours prêt" By Mr. Percy E. Fletcher (as above)
- 227 To a Suite of 3 movements Motto "Ars Longa" By Mr. F. Cunningham Woods M. A. Mus. Rec. Exon 12 Bisham Gardens Highgate N
- 214 To a March Motto "Bombardier" By Mr. A. von Ahn Carse A. R. S. M., 11 Kinggate St. Manchester
- 210 To an Overture Motto "Blowerbund" By J. Weston Nicholl Green House Saville Park Halifax
- 151 To a Suite of 3 movements Motto "Duty Love and Pleasure" by Hugh Blair M. A. Mus. Soc. Bankab

The Committee recommend that the 5 Prizes offered viz 50 guineas 20 guineas 15 guineas 10 guineas and £10 should go to the five above named in the order of the number of marks received. Arrangements will now have to be made for the publication of such works as may be determined upon; offers for some of these have already been received from Publishers.

It is recommended that some honorarium should be provided for distribution among the members of the Tenor's Guards Band as an earnest of the thanks due to these players.

And it is suggested that at no great expense a Concert could be arranged one evening at the Stationers Hall when this music might be played before the Members of the Company and their Ladies. The Prizes won could then be formally presented to the Composers of the several pieces.

The Sea Southgate Signed J. Wyatt Suscott

J. Hedrick Bridge Master

M. Crawford Alfred H. Littleton

Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1909 Jun<sup>r</sup> Warden

Mr. Homewood Crawford stated that the anonymous donor of the first Prize of 50 guineas was Mr. Ernest Palmer and suggested that a sum of £25 should be given to Dr. Williams for distribution among his Band. He also suggested that the matter should be referred back to the Committee as to the sale or otherwise dealing with the copyrights in the pieces with plenary powers and after discussion it was resolved that an honorarium be given at the rate of 10<sup>s</sup> for each of the 65 performers and that the arrangements as to the suggested Concert should be left to the Committee and that the disposal of the copyrights should be referred back to them with plenary powers.

The Senior Warden stated that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Chappell & Co. had already asked for the refusal of the compositions and that Mr. J. H. Ho and Mr. Oliver Hawkes, both Members of the Company would no doubt be prepared to treat for them.

The new Junior Warden Mr. A. J. Hill F. S. A. was subsequently added to the Committee.



See Stern

A letter was read from Sir Hubert Parry Bart. C.V.O. Mus. Doc. the Director of the Royal College of Music recommending Mr. Maurice Suter a Young Violoncellist as the fittest person to receive the See Stern Scholarship and the recommendation was approved.

Master

The Master moved that Thomas See Southgate Esq. D.C.L. be elected Master for the ensuing year.

This was seconded by the Senior Past Master Mr. Skelbeck and carried unanimously and the Master Elect returned thanks.

Vote of Thanks

On the proposition of the Senior Past Master seconded by the Treasurer a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring Master and on the proposition of the Master seconded by Mr. J. Hawwood Esq. a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Deputy Master and suitable replies were made.

Master's Cup

The Treasurer presented a large handsome double handled Silver Cup which he said had been subscribed for by Members of the Court and the Clerk to commemorate the fact that the office of Master had been held by the Lord Mayor.

The Cup bears the following inscription 'A Gift from the Court to the Company to mark the unique event that in 1908-9 The Right Hon. Sir George Wyall Jussett Bart. was Lord Mayor of London and Master of the Worshipful Company of Musicians 26<sup>th</sup> October 1909'. The Master thanked the Court for their gift and said he was proud to think that his name would be thus commemorated in the Company's annals.

Senior Warden

On the proposition of Mr. Altman Cooper seconded by the Treasurer Mr. Alfred Henry Littleton was elected Senior Warden for the ensuing year.

Senior WardenThe eveningof the Masterand WardensTreasurerClerkWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardensWardens

Junior Warden On the proposition of Mr Clifford B Edgar, seconded by Sir  
Hemwood Crawford Mr Arthur Frederick Hill F.S.A was elected Junior  
Warden for the ensuing year

The Senior and Junior Wardens Elected briefly returned thanks

The reading The Master asked leave to admit the new Master and Wardens out of  
in of the Mast Court and before the Society at the Banquet following the Court and  
and Wardens the necessary leave was granted

Treasurer On the proposition of Mr J. Harwood Archer, seconded by Mr C D  
Hoblyn Mr John Clements Colvard was re-elected Treasurer for the  
ensuing year

Clerk On the proposition of Sir Hemwood Crawford, seconded by Mr  
Alderman Cooper Mr Thomas Coltingwood Fenwick was re-elected Clerk for  
the ensuing year

Readle On the proposition of Mr W Cordy Fleming, seconded by Sir Frederick  
Bridge Mr Ernest Mills was re-elected Readle for the ensuing year

Barsholton The Clerk gave particulars of ground rents amounting to £55 per  
annum secured on property at Barsholton Surrey which could be acquired  
for 24 years purchase but having regard to the uncertain effect of the  
present Budget proposals it was decided not to entertain the purchase of  
ground rents at present

New Members The Master proposed that Mr Donald Muleton Scott of 8 Chandos  
Street Grosvenor Square W. be elected a Member of the Company  
seconded by Mr Alderman Cooper and carried unanimously  
Sir Frederick Bridge proposed that Mr Arthur Edwin Beworth of  
The Cottage Chislehurst be elected a Member of the Company  
seconded by Mr A. H. Muleton and carried unanimously  
The Master Elected proposed that Captain Alexander Spink Barrister

(late Royal Welsh Fusiliers) of Grosvenor Southend Road Bickenham  
 be elected a Member of the Company and mentioned his recent  
 liberality to the Company with regard to the Military Band competition  
 Secended by Mr W G Skiring and carried unanimously

Mr Alderman Cooper proposed that Mr John Carington Gibson of  
 45, Cranfield Gardens South Hampstead N.W., whose apprenticeship  
 indentures had just expired, be elected a Member of the Company

Secended by Mr F. Howard Archer and carried unanimously

Complimentary

Tickets

The Treasurer suggested that as it was now usual to hold a  
 Court Dinner instead of a Luncheon in July the Officers should be  
 entitled to complimentary tickets for that Dinner as well and his  
 suggestion was approved

Investment

Metropolitan

Water B. Stock

Stationers Hall

The Treasurer reported that further sums of £100 and £200  
 had been invested in the purchase of £107.10.5 Metropolitan  
 Water B. Stock and £221.11.10 like Stock

Sir Rowland Crawford suggested that as no meeting had been  
 held at Stationers Hall during the year the Stationers Company  
 should be approached with a view to obtaining some  
 remission from the annual payment of 30 Guineas and  
 the Clerk was directed to communicate with the Clerk of  
 the Stationers Company on the subject

The following Accounts were passed for  
payment:-

Presentation of  
the Honorary  
Freedom to Lieut  
Col. A. G. Balfour

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| The Worshipful Company of Stationers For use of Hall<br>to date   | 21         | .  | .  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> King & Brymer For Court Dinner on the 13 <sup>th</sup> July last                               | 12         | 14 | .  |
| M <sup>r</sup> John Breenie For Medals  | 11         | 16 | .  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> J. Warner & Co <sup>s</sup> Printing and Lithographing Account                                 | 5          | 14 | .  |
| M <sup>r</sup> Tom Broad Printing dinner Invitations  | 3          | 3  | .  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Robert Hovew & Sons For binding Exhibitions Catalogues<br>for the King and the Prince of Wales | 10         | .  | .  |
| Clerks Quarters Salary to date  | £13.2.6    |    |    |
| For disbursements for Quarters ending 30 <sup>th</sup> September last   | 11         | 15 | 10 |
| Beadles Quarters Salary to date   | 2          | 12 | 6  |
| Stamp and fees payable on the Admission of Colonel A. G.<br>Balfour   | 6          | 2  | .  |
| Frank Parnall Esq <sup>r</sup> To cover the expenses of the Students<br>of the Royal College of Music             | 5          | 5  | .  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Robert Gray & Co <sup>s</sup> For Cigars   | 14         | 2  | .  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Blades East & Blades For Colonel Balfour's Freedom<br>Certificate                              | 3          | 18 | 6  |
| Mess <sup>rs</sup> Jas <sup>rs</sup> Tuscott & Son Ltd <sup>s</sup> Printing Programmes for<br>July Dinner        | 14         | .  | .  |
| M <sup>r</sup> Maurice Soter Esq <sup>r</sup> Hon Scholarship   | 5          | 5  | .  |
|   | £166 10 11 |    |    |

Signed  
Thomas Lee Southgate Master.

Presentation of  
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Lieut Colonel Alfred Gamville Balfour Commandant of the Royal  
Military School of Music Kneller Hall Windsor attended and was  
introduced

The Master then asked the Clerk to read the resolution confirming

The Honorary Freedom upon him which was done and on the proposition of the Senior Past Master Mr J H Shilleach seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge M V O Mus Doc it was unanimously resolved that the Declaration of a Freeman be administered to him

The Declaration was accordingly made by Colonel Balfour who then signed the Roll of Honorary Freeman and also the Roll of the Freeman of the Company

The Master then shook hands with Colonel Balfour and offered him the right hand of fellowship and gave him the scroll of the Honorary Freedom of the Company signed by the Master Wardens and Clerk

26 October 1909

Mr Edwin Charles Hodgson of 155<sup>B</sup> New Bond Street W was this day admitted to the Livery (following apprenticeship) by the Master having previously paid his fee

N.B. This is the first Liveryman admitted following Apprenticeship for a very great number of years

Mr Sydney John Loeb of 4 Lancaster Gate W was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fee

Sir Vincent Henry Pender of 112 Half Moon Street Piccadilly was this day admitted to the Livery by the Master having previously paid the fee

At the Banquet following the Lord the Silver Medals of the Company was presented to Miss Ellen Constance Edwards the Pupil selected by the Director of the Royal College of Music and also to Student Rudolph O'Donnell the Student selected by the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music Kneller Hall Hammersmith

The Banquet was held on the Egyptian Hall at the Mansion House

at which 181 sat down and during the evening the New Master and Warden were sworn in before the Society with the following ceremony:-

The Clerk having assumed his Gown proceeded to the Masters Chair with the Gath and Admission Book the Warden Elect at the same time proceeding to the Masters Chair unrobed the Beadle and 2 others bringing up the Masters and Warden Gowns

The Master Elect then read his Declaration aloud and signed the Admission Book and the retiring Master took off his Chair and Badge and placed it round the new Masters neck and put on his Past Masters Badge

The Beadle then robed the new Master in his Masters gown and the new Master took the Masters Chair the retiring Master sitting on his immediate left

The Clerk then read the new Warden's joint Declaration to them and the new Senior and Junior Wardens signed the roll and were invested with their Warden's Badges and Gowns

The Wardens and Clerk then proceeded to their seats

The retiring Master then proposed the new Masters health and introduced him to the Society and the new Master returned thanks the new Master Warden and Clerk keeping on their gowns until this had been done