

Lord Mayors
Procession

The Clerk reported that several members of the Court and himself had taken part in the Lord Mayors' Procession on the 8th November last when the Company's contingent consisted of the Brass Band of the City of London National Guard with a procession of four carriages. He stated that by some misunderstanding the Drum and Pipe Band of the City of London National Guard had also attended and correspondence that had passed with Lieut. Col. S. G. Byrne, J. D. with reference to the payment of the latter Band was considered and at Col. Byrne's suggestion it was decided to subscribe £4⁰ 3⁰ 4 one third of the cost of such Band which had been ordered and paid for by Sir Ernest Clarke, the Battalion to find another third.

Band of City of
London National
Guard

The Clerk
J. G. Fenwick Esq.

The Master having given notice of his intention to propose an enquiry as to the duties performed by the Clerk of the Company, and the adequacy of the remuneration attached thereto, the Clerk temporarily withdrew, and the Master informed the Court that Mr Fenwick had expressed himself as most unwilling that any change should be made, stating that he regarded his fee (£52.10/- per annum) in the light of an honorarium for work in which he took the greatest interest, and that he would much prefer that it should remain upon the same footing, especially as no one knew better than himself that the finances of the Company were not such as to justify any increased expenditure.

The Master therefore suggested that an appropriate solution might be found in the presentation to Mr Fenwick of a piece of plate as a personal gift from the members of the Court, to mark their appreciation of the care and discretion displayed by him during the his 17 years tenure of the Office, and their entire satisfaction with the manner in which he had performed his duties.

This was unanimously approved, and it was resolved that the Deputy Master, the Senior Warden, the Acting Junior Warden, and the Treasurer be appointed a