

Investments. The Treasurer said he would willingly support the provision of money for such a patriotic purpose but it would probably necessitate the postponement of further investment.

Sir Edward Cooper said the Instruments had been obtained from Mr. Oliver Hawkes a Liveryman of the Company who had kindly granted an allowance of 25 per cent off making a total cost of £47 2:9. Ten guineas had been subscribed by a Mr. J. B. Biggs whose Son was a private in the Battalion, leaving a balance of £36. 12:9 to be paid by the Company.

The action of Sir Edward Cooper and the Immediate Past Master was cordially approved and a cheque was ordered to be drawn for the balance of Mr. Hawkes' account.

At the suggestion of Mr. Lescher Sir Edward Cooper undertook to see that a suitable inscription was placed on the big Drum showing that the Band Instruments had been presented by the Company and to bear the expense thereof.

Sir Ernest Clarke, M.A., F.S.A. On the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by Sir George Truscott it was unanimously resolved to invite Sir Ernest Clarke M.A., F.S.A., to accept a seat on the Court in the place of the late Mr. C. J. D. Crews.

The Company's Silver Medal W. H. Ash Esq. f.P. In pursuance of notice given by Mr. Arthur F. Hill Mr. Hoblyn moved that the Silver Medal of the Company be presented to Mr. W. H. Ash f.P. in recognition of his services to the Company and of his generous assistance in the foundation of the Benevolent Fund. Also that the Silver Medal be similarly presented to Mr. C. J. Ash Esq. in recognition of his great assistance in the foundation of the Benevolent Fund.

This was seconded by Mr. Southgate

The Treasurer said he was not in favour of the suggestion as he thought it might be making the Medal too cheap but after discussion the Treasurer withdrew his objection and the resolution was unanimously passed.