

The Amendment was therefore defeated.

Clause 2. It was agreed to delete the words "or Court".

Clause 3. The following words were added at the end of Clause 3 viz: "the names of the Candidate with his Proposer and Seconder to appear on the Agenda."

Past Master Sir Homewood Crawford then proposed that the recommendations as amended be adopted. This was seconded by the Junior Warden and carried nem con.

Court Attendance Fees } The Treasurer moved that the Company under prevailing difficulties being unable to entertain their Livery in the accustomed manner and also in the much needed interests of economy the Court decides as from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1917 to refrain from accepting any fee until six months after the termination of the War.

This was seconded by Past Master Alderman Sir Edward C. Cooper and supported by Past Master Edgar.

Past Master Sir Homewood Crawford moved as an amendment that the consideration of the matter be adjourned and that the Treasurer give proper notice of his intended resolution. This was seconded by Past Master Lescher but on being put to the vote the amendment was lost by 9 votes to 6.

Court Dinners. Past Master Sir Homewood Crawford then moved a further amendment that in lieu of foregoing their fees the Court abstains from dining after the Court Meetings until six months after the War. This was seconded by Past Master Lescher but on being put to the vote was lost.

The matter was further discussed and the Motion was finally carried nem con with the insertion of the words "subject to confirmation at the next Court" after the word "decides".

Bandsmen V.C.s  
Drummer  
Walter Ritchie  
V.C.

The clerk reported the sending of a circular to the Members of the Court with reference to the presentation of a gold Watch to Drummer Walter Ritchie of the Seaforth Highlanders who had won the Victoria Cross, the response to which was in favour of the necessary arrangements being made.