

had done for the Company and stated that if Mr. Crews could be prevailed upon to again accept the Office of Master the Court would be doing itself honour in electing him and in thus further recognising the great services he had rendered to the Company. To secure this happy event it would be necessary that he (the Senior Warden) should stand aside which he said he would most readily do on account of the very old friendship which had existed between Mr. Crews and himself and he would thus demonstrate his own interest in the welfare of the Company.

Mr. Hunter further said that he wished it to be clearly understood that he was fully sensible of the great honor it would be to him to hold the Office of Master of the Company and it was only for the sake of securing Mr. Crews' re-election that he was willing to stand aside.

The Clerk pointed out that the Master could only be elected at the October Court and after discussion the Acting Master moved that Mr. Crews be requested to allow himself to be nominated for the Mastership in October. This was seconded by the Senior Warden and strongly supported by Sir Frederick Budge and Mr. Lecher and Mr. Crews having again said he would accept the honour if unanimously elected the proposition was carried unanimously.

Dr. Southgate read the following report

July 9th 1907

With reference to the proposed acquirement of the Library of Music and Musical Literature belonging to the Trustees of Mr. J. A. Matthew it has to be further reported to the Court that by direction of the Committee appointed (sitting April 26th) Mr. J. L. Southgate had an interview with Mr. Borragio the Guildhall Librarian who said he had no doubt that the books could be housed for the Company as was done in

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