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A Court of Assistants  
held at the Guildhall on Tuesday the  
10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1877.

Present

J. H. Skilbeck Esq<sup>r</sup> Master in the Chair.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Collard and Wilkinson, Wardens.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Herring, Jones, Theobald, May, Wood, Frisby  
Chappell and Warrick.

The Master paid Eleven Guineas to the Members present.

The Minutes and proceedings of the last Court were  
read approved and confirmed.

M<sup>r</sup> Collard moved

That the sum of £100. be handed to the  
Master to meet current expenses.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup> Theobald.

Carried unanimously.

M<sup>r</sup> Wood moved

That the Committee appointed at the last  
Court be authorized to invest the funds of the  
Company in the purchase of freehold Ground  
rents without first reporting to the Court.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup> May.

Carried unanimously.

The account of the Corporation of London for  
Meetings for the past year was presented and  
ordered to be paid.

Read approved and confirmed.  
John Haury Skilbeck  
Master.

17<sup>th</sup> July 1877.

New Member.

Albert Grant of 24 Lombard Street, London, E.C.  
was this day admitted a Member of this Company<sup>by Redemption</sup> and  
on the same day took up his Sivery in the same Company.

Accepted  
J. Skilbeck  
17 July 77

A Court of Assistants -  
held at the Guildhall on Tuesday  
the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877.

Present.

J. H. Skilbeck Esq<sup>r</sup> Master in the Chair.  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Collard and Wilkinson. Wardens.  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Jones, Lescher, Theobald, May, Chappell  
Kerrick, Herring, Frisby and Wood.

The Master paid Twelve Guineas to the Members  
present.

The Minutes and proceedings of the last Court  
were read approved and confirmed.

M<sup>r</sup> Chappell moved

That the Court do consider the investment  
of the funds of the Company in the purchase  
of Freehold houses in the event of a suitable  
opportunity offering.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup> Wilkinson

Upon a show of hands the Motion was  
declared to have been lost, the numbers being

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Respectfully  
S. J. Blake  
14 May 1879

Mr. Wilkinson moved

That the Committee appointed on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October last be requested to investigate the property at Lower Clapton offered by Messrs. Dowsett & Woods, and that they be authorized to make the investment, if they see fit, and that they be requested to continue their researches for similar investments.

Seconded by Mr. Lescher.

And carried.

The Master reported his attendance in March at a Meeting of the City Guilds Association held at the Mercers Hall to consider Mr. James' Motion in the House of Commons; and also the necessity of taking some steps to promote technical education.

Mr. Wood moved

That the sum of £150. be paid to the Master to meet current expenses.

Seconded by Mr. Hering

Carried unanimously.

Read approved and confirmed

John H. Stubbek

Master.

A Court of Assistants —

held at the Guildhall on Tuesday the  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1877.

Present.

J. H. Shelbeck Esq. Master in the Chair,

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Collard and Wilkinson, Wardens.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Jones, Lescher, Herring, Theobald, Wood, Frisby, May  
& Warrick. and Chappell.

The Master paid Twelve Guineas to the Members  
present.

The Minutes and proceedings of the last Court  
were read approved and confirmed.

Resolved, and ordered

That the Court and Society be invited to dine  
at the Albion Aldersgate Street on Wednesday  
the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 1877 at 6 o'clock precisely.

Resolved and ordered that Mr. Kilbye Cooper be  
requested to undertake the musical arrangements

Read approved and confirmed

John H. Shelbeck

Master.

A Court of Assistants  
held at the Guildhall on Tuesday the  
16<sup>th</sup> day of October 1877.

Present.

J. H. Skilleck Esq<sup>r</sup> Master in the Chair.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Collard and Wilkinson. Wardens.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Evans, Jones, Lescher, Herring Theobald, Chappell,  
Frisby, May, Wood and Warwick.

The Master paid Thirteen Guineas to the Members present.

The Minutes and proceedings of the last Court were read  
approved and confirmed.

Mr Lescher moved

That Mr W. S. Collard be elected Master of this  
Company for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Mr Jones.

Carried unanimously.

Mr Frisby moved

That Mr Wilkinson be elected Senior Warden of  
this Company for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Mr Theobald.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Herring moved

That Mr. <sup>Warrick</sup> ~~Warrick~~ be elected Junior Warden of  
this company for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Mr. Evans

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Collard moved

That Mr. Chappell be re-elected Treasurer  
of this company for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Mr. Jones.

Carried unanimously

Mr. May moved

That Mr. J. T. Theobald be re-elected Clerk  
of this company for the ensuing year

Seconded by Mr. Wilkinson

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Herring moved

That Mr. Walker be re-elected Beadle  
of this company for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Mr. Chappell.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Theobald moved

That the Treasurer be requested to hand the  
sum of £100. to the Master to meet current  
expenses.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. Lescher.  
Carried unanimously.

M<sup>r</sup>. Evans moved

That the best thanks of the Court be given to  
J. H. Skilleck Esq<sup>r</sup> for the able and efficient  
manner in which he had discharged the duties  
of Master during the past year & for his  
exertions on all occasions to promote the welfare  
and harmony of the Company.

Seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. Chappell  
Carried unanimously.

M<sup>r</sup>. Lescher gave notice that he should move at the  
next meeting of the Court

That, for the future, the Court should hold its  
meetings at The Albion Tavern, Aldersgate, <sup>that</sup> one  
hour before the dinner, instead of at the Guildhall.

Letter from Sir Henry Cole read and

The Clerk was directed to write and acknowledge  
same, and inform him that it should receive the  
due consideration of the Court.

The Clerk reported the purchase of Freehold ground  
rents amounting to £57. 10. per annum at the sum  
of £1408. 15 arising out of Nos 4, 6, 16, 18, 20 and 22

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Powerscroft Road Lower Clapton - and the sale of  
 Stock to the amount of £1501. 15 - leaving a balance  
 of £7015. 7. 10.

Read approved and confirmed

J. S. Colquhoun,

Master.

At a Meeting of the Audit Committee held at The Albion Tavern,

The 16<sup>th</sup> October 1877.

The Account for the past year of the receipts and payments  
 of Mr Skilleck, the late Master, was examined vouched  
 and certified to be correct.

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 of the Treasurer was also examined, and certified to  
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