

At a Court of Assistants

held at Stationers Hall on Tuesday 23rd January 1901

Present E. G. Cooper Esq^r Master in the Chair

Sir Homerus Crawford, Senior Warden

A. C. Hunter Esq^r Junior Warden

Mess^{rs} J. H. Skelbeck, J. E. Collier, G. D. Hollyn, J.

Howard Lecher, W. Verdy Sturong, J. Lea Southgate,

The Rev^d W. H. Stadden M. A. and Mess^{rs} A. H.

Littleton and A. J. Hill

Twelve Guineas were paid to the Members present

The Minutes and Proceedings of the Court held on the 31st
October last were read and confirmed

Lady Bridge

The Clerk reported the death of Lady Bridge and read a letter he had received from Sir Frederick Bridge thanking the Court for the beautiful wreath that had been sent. It was thereupon proposed by the Master seconded by the Senior Warden and resolved (the Members assenting) that the Members of the Court of the Worshipful Company of Musicians desire to tender to their esteemed Colleague Sir Frederick Bridge M. A. M. A. D. C. their sincere expression of deep sympathy with him in the irreparable loss he has sustained and they can but earnestly hope that health and strength may be vouchsafed him in his sad bereavement and they desire that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to Sir Frederick Bridge.

Treasurer

The Treasurer presented his Accounts for 1905 (which had been previously audited by the Master and M^r J. H. Skelbeck one of the Treasurers) and

stated that there was at present a Balance standing to the Company's credit at the Bank of £344. 1. 11 (without taking into account the half year ground rents due at Christmas 1905) as against £402. 6. 3 in January last. The Treasurer also stated that during the year 1905 the sum of £691 had been received for Court and Livery fees and that £600 of this had been invested.

Upon the proposition of Sir Hereward Crawford seconded by M^r F. Harwood Lecher it was unanimously resolved that the Treasurer's Accounts should be received and a vote of thanks was accorded to the Treasurer for his services.

The Reverend N. H. Hadden suggested it would be as well to have a Balance Sheet and Revenue Account submitted to the Court every January and it was left to the Treasurer and Clerk to arrange accordingly in future.

The Rev^d H. T. Carl's Prize Competitions to him as instructed and an acknowledgment from M^r Carl of the receipt thereof was read.

The Clerk reported that an Examination for Ernest Palmer Ernest Palmer Scholarship for Ex^{ce} Westminster Abbey had been held on the 17th November last and the following report from the Examiners was read.

Ernest Palmer Scholarship for Ex^{ce} Westminster Abbey Chorus Boys
 We have examined 6 candidates who presented themselves for the Ernest Palmer Scholarship and recommend that it be conferred upon Robert James Stannard aged 14 for the pianoforte with the organ as second study. We can also heartily commend Lawrence A. Bellingwood aged 18 whose powers are naturally more advanced after 2 years training at the Guildhall

School of Music and who shows decided talent and promise although not eligible for the Scholarship we should be glad if some other recognition of his talents could be made by the Company

Both the candidates named above showed considerable ability in sight reading and also a certain amount of power in improvising. All the candidates had some knowledge of the technique of some other instrument or of singing and showed evidence of all round musical training

William H. Cummings

E. Markham Lee

J. Frederick Bridge

The Sea Southgate

Examiners

Representatives of the House of

The Worshipful Company of

Musicians

Nov. 17th 1905

On the proposition of the Master seconded by Mr. A. G. Ranker it was unanimously resolved that the Examiners Report should be accepted and approved

Wine Committee

The Master reported that the Treasurer had been re-elected on the Wine Committee and informed the Court of the steps taken by the Wine Committee with a view to starting the cellar. He also announced that Mr. F. Howard Lister had kindly presented one dozen Cluquet Champagne and one dozen 1881 Port and that he (the Master) and Mr. Cross had each presented £25 towards the initial expenses of the cellar and on the proposition of Mr. Southgate seconded by Mr. Holtby a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Donors for their liberality

The Master also stated that it had been arranged that James Cross of 10 Amen Court & Co. the Viceroy to the Dean of St. Pauls and who had acted as the Stationers Butler for many years should act as Butler

to the Company at
at an annual salary
appeared

In the absence of
following resolution
That a sum of £
Company to a Student
who has shown signs
performance in public
English Musicians

This was seconded
graciously accepted and
Master, Mr. J. Lea
suggestion

The following letter
of the Company

Dear Sir

It is a widely
also be those of the
the Members of the
Their difficulty
largely increased and
There will always be
appearing for

to the Company at its quarterly Dinner and also to the Society Club at an annual salary of £5.5.0 and the Committee's Action was approved

Apr 1856
a Student for a
Competition

In the absence of M^r G. T. G. G. G. the Master moved the following Resolution

That a sum of £25 (to be given by M^r G. G.) be offered by the Company to a Student or late Student of one of the London Schools of Music who has shown signs of genius to compose a piece of music suitable for performance in public as an illustration of the capabilities of a young English Musician

This was seconded by the Senior Warden and M^r G. G. offer was gratefully accepted and it was referred to a Committee to consist of the Master M^r J. L. Southgate and M^r A. H. Littleton to carry out the suggestion

Company's Badge

The following letter was read from Captain J. G. Chamber a Sovereign of the Company

146 Newn Square, S^W

11 December 1905

Dear Sir

It is a widely felt drawback to the dinners of our Company (and also to those of the Society Club) that we have no means of distinguishing the Members of the Company from the guests

This difficulty is the more apparent now that our numbers have so largely increased and I hope there is little doubt that at future dinners there will always be at least two or three freshly admitted Sovereigns appearing for the first time. Their brethren of older standing would be

only too glad to take the earliest opportunity of making their acquaintance and welcoming them to our ranks but in the absence of any means of identification nothing can be done at present on this direction

We are all agreed that the Full Dishes, Good Wine, Good Humour and even the Good Music are more accessories to the main object in view which is to improve and make lasting that Harmony and Friendship which reign among us

To assist us towards this object I venture to suggest the adoption of a badge to be worn at the dinners and other gatherings by all members of the Company

The form such badge should take is immaterial to the object in view but the idea which has occurred to me and which with great diffidence I submit for consideration is as follows:

A round plaque of silver to be worn on the button hole bearing the crest of the Company in the centre with the name of the Company and its motto in raised letters round the circumference. The attached rough sketch will perhaps make my meaning clearer but the actual badge should be much smaller than the sketch. The whole design would be punched in one piece and should have a false back enclosing a piece of silk which might be blue for Sovereigns and red for members of the Court being thus a further distinguishing mark while serving the purpose of showing up the design. Past Masters have already a decoration and would not need this badge but if it were adopted by them it should in their case be gilt

Such a badge would be quite inexpensive when once the dies were cut and if the Company would pay for the dies and sell the badges

members of
much more
would at 14/6
May
the Court!

J. C. Fowles
Clerk to
Mr. L...

Honoured
and Mr. H...

said he intended
that the Bar
Haddon appeared
appointed to

This was
his election and

The Wardens
The Clerk
of the Guilders
elective ratifiers

the particular
Court of the
M. L. D.

members a small profit should result. They would not I imagine cost much more than 5/- a piece for the first 100 and they might be issued at 10/-

May I ask you to be so good as to lay this suggestion before the Court?

I am, dear Sir

Yours faithfully

A. C. Chamber

J. C. Fenwick Esq

Clerk to the Worshipful Company of Musicians

Mr. Lescher moved that the idea should not be acceded to but Sir Hemwood Crawford pointed out that the Vintners had such a Badge and Mr. Hill stated that formerly most Companies had Badges and said he entirely approved of the idea. Mr. Herring was of opinion that the Badges should be conferred to Past Masters as before. Mr. Hadden approved of the idea and suggested that a small Committee be appointed to consider the question.

This was seconded by Mr. Hill and Mr. Lescher accordingly withdrew his Motion and the following Committee was appointed viz The Master The Wardens The Rev. W. H. Hadden and Mr. A. F. Hill

Warming
Stationers Hall } The Clerk reported the particulars he had obtained from the Clerk of the Goldsmiths Company with a view to warming the large Hall by electric radiators and Sir Hemwood Crawford said that he had handed the particulars to Alderman Sir George Phyllis Frost and that the Court of the Stationers Company were now considering the matter.

Survey Club } Mr. G. D. Hobbins moved that a sum of money be voted by the

	Forward £	393	17	6
Mr Tom Broad For printing Programmes on 31 st October etc		13	1	
Miss ^{rs} Parkins & Gtts Stationery		1	5	6
Miss ^{rs} J. Warner & Co Lithographing Account		2	12	10
Metzler & Company Limited Bound copy of Prize Compositions for the Reverend H. T. Bart. M. A.		1	1	
A. Burnett Brown Esq ^r Fee for valuation of 146 Upper Thames Street G. G.		3	3	
Symour Floral Company Wreath for Lady Budge		2	11	
Clerks Salary for Quarter ending 23 rd January 1906	£	7	10	0
D ^r Disbursements for Quarter ended 31 st December 1905	3	18	11	
Preddles Salary for Quarter ending 23 rd January 1906		2	12	6
	£	131	6	3

Signed



Master

25th January 1906 Mr Edwin Marriott Hodgkins of 17 Portland Place W. Export on Objects d'Arts was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

23rd January 1906 Mr John Barker of Sharnfield Mill Todmorden Lancs Cotton Spinner and Manufacturer was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

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23 January 1968 Mr George Arthur Miles Beard of 130 Broadhurst Gardens Hampstead
N.W. Managing Director of Norman Beard Limited Organ Builders was this
day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up
his Livery having previously paid the fees

23 January 1968 Mr Edward Hancrolye of 14 Clements Inn Strand W.C. Solicitor
was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and
took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

Present

Arthur Guinness
Letters were read
and Mr J.P. Jones
The Minutes
last were read and
Mr Hill said
Music which might
on the Minute Book
way of addenda
A letter was
for their sympathy
The following
In accordance
Exhibition Committee
publication of the

Lady Bridge
Publication of
minutes addenda
at the Queen's Lane
Exhibition

At a Meeting of the Court of
Assistants held at Stationers Hall on Tuesday 21st
April 1906

Present E. C. Cooper Esq^r Master in the Chair
A. G. Hunter Esq^r Junior Warden
Mess^{rs} J. H. Milbuck, J. G. Bellard, G. D. Hellyn, J.
Hamwood Esq^r, W. Cordy Young, G. J. D. Cross, J. Lee
Southgate The Hon^{ble} R. H. Hadden and Mess^{rs} A. H.
Littleton, A. J. Hill and W. P. Fuller

Twelve Guineas were paid to the Members present
Letters were read from the Senior Warden Sir Hamwood Crossford
and Mr. J. P. Jones regretting their inability to attend through illness
The Minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 23rd January
last were read and confirmed

Mr. Hill suggested that it would be as well for any important
Music which might be performed at the Company's Banquets to be entered
in the Minute Book and it was arranged that this should be done by
way of addenda

Lady Bridge A letter was read from Sir Frederick Bridge thanking the Court
for their sympathy in the loss which he had sustained

The following Report was read by Mr. J. Lee Southgate
In accordance with the request of our Chairman of the Music Loan
Publication of
Lectures delivered
at the Music Loan
Exhibition Exhibition Committee I beg to state briefly what has occurred as to the
publication of the volume of Musical Lectures delivered during the recent

Exhibition

On October 17, 1904 Mr. Brown the Manager of the Walter Scott Publishing Co. of Telling in Type and Paternoster Row entered into an Agreement with Sir Howard Crawford the main points of which are :-

- 1 To prepare and publish the collection of Lectures at the cost of his Company
- 2 To agree that the copyright of each Lecture delivered should remain with the Author
- 3 That each Lecturer should receive free 25 copies of the book ordinary issue or 15 half-bound in scarlet calf
- 4 That any profit on the work arising after the expenses of producing and issuing it had been secured, should be equally divided between the Messrs. Company and the Walter Scott Publishing Co.
- 5 That the various Authors were to furnish drawings pictures facsimiles and illustrations for their Lectures in order to make engravings and plates for the book

The copy was sent by the Chairman to the works of the Walter Scott Publishing Co. in the beginning of 1905 the setting photographing and preparing the Illustrations has been in progress since. At the request of Sir Howard Crawford Mr. T. L. Southgate undertook to edit and see the work through the press.

An important question arose as to the particular paper to be used for the production which could not be settled by correspondence and there were other points relating to the position of the Illustrations and also given the Frontispiece the price of the book the binding advertising etc. and it became necessary to deal with these

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Mr. Southgate...
A letter...
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Sir Hornwood Crawford agreed that it was advisable I should go to Newcastle and negotiate I did so obtained quite satisfactory terms and settled all questions open. This settlement is embodied in the further Agreement dated March 26th last. Copies of both Agreements are produced.

The paper settled upon is good wet toned paper 30 x 40 weighing 112 lbs to the ream of 516 sheets.

A still thicker paper can be used for a small Special Edition if desired and a slight payment be made.

It has been agreed that the Musicians Company its members and any one connected with the Music Loan Exhibition are to have the ordinary copies as prepared for the public at 4 each and copies bound in half calf at 5/- carriage free.

A Circular is to be issued by the Walter Scott Publishing Co and it is hoped that a considerable number of copies will be taken by members for distribution.

The book is now almost ready for the press and will be got out without delay.

(Signed) The Sea Southgate

April 24, 1906

It was proposed by the Master seconded by Mr. J. Sheppard Ischer and carried unanimously that the Report should be received and adopted and that a hearty vote of thanks should be awarded to Mr. Southgate for his trouble in the matter.

A letter was read from Sir Hornwood Crawford suggesting that at least £25 towards the purchase of extra copies of the Album properly bound for presentation should be voted and on the proposition of the

Treasurer seconded by Mr. C. J. G. Gues it was unanimously resolved that such sum of £25 should be voted accordingly

The Gentleman Mr. F. Lea Southgate read the Report of the Committee appointed to Try for Three act for the purpose of advising the Editor of the Gentleman with Composers respect to the offer of a prize of £25 for the best piece of original music written for a full Orchestra which stated that 29 M.S. had been sent in and that the prize had been awarded to Miss Marion Under-Abrought of Crowshott Highclere Newbury Miss Rae Deane L.R.S.M. for a Suite in four movements entitled "Winds of the World" and that the Judges had specially commended a Symphonic Poem in five movements by Miss Edith Sceptone of 10 Stung Edward Road Hockney entitled "The Lovers of the Winds" and a Concert Overture in C on the subject of Lucretia and Enid in one continuous movement by Miss Susan Spain Park of 92 Chisdon Road Felkstone The Judges also considered that a Suite Fancise in four movements by Miss Adelaide Louise Thomas Mrs Rae Coxon A.R.C.M. of 23 Upper Rock Gardens Brighton and a set of four Illustrations to a Story of Hans Andersen by Miss Emma Jones of 147 Park Crescent Brighton deserved commendation

The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Judges and Committee for their services in the matter. This was seconded by the Junior Warden and carried unanimously

Collett Prize Competition The Report of the Committee of the Collett Prize Competition was read which stated that 67 M.S. had been sent in and that the Judges had been Sir Alexander Mackenzie Mrs. Dix, L.L.D., J.C.L. W.W. Collett Esq. A. Gibson Esq. Hon. R.S.M. and Hermann Shunberg Esq. It further stated that the First Prize of £50 presented

Collett Prize -
awarded in a
competition

Mr. W. W. Collett had been awarded to Mr. William W. Threlstone of 23 Park Mansions, Bathurst St. The Second Prize of £10 presented by Mr. G. I. D. Cross had been awarded to Mr. Haydn Wood of 11 Kensington Place Court Court St. and the Special Prize of £10 presented by Mr. Hermann Henberg had been awarded to Mr. Frank Bridge of 50 Glen Park Mansions, Chelsea St. and that three extra Prizes of £5.5.0 each derived from a Donors Fund provided by Members of the Company had been awarded to Mr. James Fuston of 33, Gauden Road, Clapham St. Mr. H. White Warner of 35 Blenheim Road, Balford Park W. and Mr. Josef G. Holbrooke of River Nook, Hainbury, Great Haining N.

The Committee further reported that a Composition from D. H. W. showing a former Prize Winner of the Company was highly commended and that the M.S.F. sent in showed a very high order of merit.

On the proposition of the Master, seconded by the Treasurer, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Committee and Judges for their trouble in the matter.

The Clerk reported that the three Compositions which had been awarded the first three Prizes had been published by Novello & Co. Limited and it was decided that the publication of the Phantasies to which extra Prizes had been awarded should stand over for the present.

Mr. Hill objected to the result of the Competition having been published before the Committee had presented their Report to the Court and Mr. Southgate explained the circumstances under which this had been done and it was arranged that the powers of the Committee should be more specifically defined in future.

Mr. Southgate explained that nothing had been done with reference

Offer of £25 to a student for a composition

to this matter on account of Mr. Lewis's absence from England and it was arranged that Mr. Lewis should meet the Committee with a view to carrying out his proposal.

The Company The following Report from the Committee appointed at the last Court
Badge was read.

In accordance with the instructions of the Court of our Worshipful Company given at its last meeting on January the 1st we beg to report as follows.

We have seen badges in silver and silver gilt that were worn by the Society of the following Companies

The Vintners

The Tanners

The Cooks

The Needle Makers

The Distillers

The Joiners

The Carpenters

The Coopers

The Tallow Chandlers

The Pattern Makers

The Butlers

The Innholders

We presume that the badges in silver gilt such as are worn by the Vintners were for the use of the Court. Upon the back of these badges are the names of their owners and the date of their admission to the Society. We find that to all the names ascertained of the original members of the Musicians Company under the Charter of James I. the description of "writ" is attached.

We find the following extract in the Corporation Records of the City (Rep. 20. f. 314. b.) dated April 24 Elizabeth (1582)

This is ordained that (Anthony) Tyndall one of the wryts of the City shall have the collar of Essays of silver with upon the one of the wryts of the same City had and were wearing about

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called "writ" we see
an account usage
members to return on
the Company
We recommend
the annexed sketch
Shellock son of our
Company's medal
inasmuch as it is
and emblematic of
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afford to see to it
the cost of the silver
paid for their chain
desires to have a badge
his admission should
optional and put the
further recommend for
of a silver gilt badge
should be blue with name

XII^{ij} ounces and a halfe to the sayd Tyndall paying to M^r
Chamblayn of the bytthe for the same the sume of iij^{ij} ^{ij} ^{vij} ^{vij} ^d by
XX^s a quarter the first payment to beynne at the feast of Saynt
John Baptist next ensuing out of such a fee and retarpe as he
hathe of this bytthe

Although the present Members of our Company can hardly be
called 'wobles' we suggest the adoption of a badge as the revival of such
an ancient usage would lend a distinctive feature to our Guild and enable
members to return on their families a memento of their connection with
the Company

We recommend the adoption of a badge somewhat on the lines of
the annexed sketch which has been kindly made for us by M^r G. C.
Shullock son of our Past Master This would be quite distinct from the
Companys medal It is fitting that the swan should be the emblem
inasmuch as it is the principal charge of our Arms the bird of Apollo
and emblematic of the musician's or poet's song M^r Shullock states that
the cost of the die would be about six pounds and he has also
offered to see to its making it would therefore cost but little beyond
the cost of the silver Following the precedent of the City of York who
paid for their chain or silver collar we suggest that a Freyman who
desires to have a badge with his name engraven thereon with the date of
his admission should pay for it himself This would leave its use
optional and put the Company to no expense beyond the dies We
further recommend for the use of the members of the Court the adoption
of a silver gilt badge of a larger size to be worn around the neck The ribbon
should be blue with narrow lines of red and yellow the colour of the Arms

Mr. Hill produced a design of a Swan he had sketched for the
 Badge and Mr. Hadden suggested that the Company's Crest of a Lyre be used
 instead of the Swan

Mr. Lecher stated that he now entirely approved of the proposed
 Badge in which the Treasurer concurred

The form of the Badge was discussed and on the proposition of Mr. Cross
 seconded by Mr. Lecher it was unanimously resolved that the Badge
 should take the form of the Swan as it appeared on the Company's share
 as granted by the Hoults College and Mr. Hill was requested to get a
 fresh drawing of such a Badge prepared for the consideration of the Court
 at their next meeting

Mr. W. H. Ash } A letter was read from Mr. W. H. Ash J. P. a Lieutenant of the
Isle of Wight } Company offering

- (a) A money prize of Fifty Guineas for the best Marching Song
 words and tune
- (b) A sum of money for a Vocal Solo with strong accompaniment and
- (c) A prize of £20 to enable a British Composer to publish his work
 the Author to be selected by a small Committee of the Company

Mr. Hill suggested that it would be desirable to withdraw the
 Marching Song from open competition and this suggestion was approved
 and on the proposition of the Master seconded by Mr. C. D. Hellyer a
 hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Ash for his liberality and a
 Committee to consist of the Master Miss A. H. Littleton and Mr. Hill
 as representing the Court and Miss W. Kennedy Stumford and
W. A. Wilmann as representing the Society were appointed to confer with
Mr. Ash as to the best methods of carrying out his suggestions and to report

to the Court at the
 The Court signed
 towards late a holder
 of Music who died
 Company so that
 thought most likely
 Master and Mr. Hill
 power to act in such
 A letter was read
 from Mr. Ash had made
 Company a further
 the Scholarships down
 the proposition of the
 generous offer was gratefully
 A letter was read
 Hospital for Children
 (1) The Company were
 March in aid of
 (2) For a grant of money
 and the School was directed
 requested they could not do
 An application was
 and on the proposition of
 it was resolved that
 Mr. J. H. Shallice
 the Master

to the Court at their next meeting

Music Secured

from Fishmongers

Company

The Clerk reported that a quantity of music belonging to Miss Stewart late a holder of the Fishmongers Scholarship at the Royal College of Music who died last year had been procured by the Fishmongers Company so that it might be given to such Students as the Court thought most likely to benefit by it and the matter was referred to the Master and Mr. A. F. Hill to inspect the music in question with full power to act in such manner with regard to it as they might think fit

Ernest Palmer

Music Scholarships

A letter was read from Sir Hemwood Crawford stating that Mr. J. Ernest Palmer had most generously offered to place at the disposal of the Company a further £250 to provide additional income to supplement the Scholarships derived from the £1000 already given by him and on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Junior Warden Mr. Palmers generous offer was gratefully accepted

Royal Waterloo

Hospital for Children

and Women

A letter was read from the Organizing Secretary of the Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women asking

(1) The Company's assistance with regard to the composition of a Song or March in aid of the Hospital and

(2) For a grant of money and the Clerk was directed to inform the Organizing Secretary that the Court regretted they could not assist in the matter

Mr. Thomas Dupon

An application from Mr. Thomas Dupon praying for relief was read and on the proposition of Mr. Skilbeck seconded by Mr. G. D. Helby it was resolved that £3.3.0 should be given him as a donation

New Members of

the Company

Mr. J. H. Skilbeck moved that Mr. Clement Oswald Skilbeck of 6 Carlton Hill N.W. be elected a Member of the Company seconded by the Master and carried unanimously

Mr. J. H. Skelbeck also moved that Mr. Charles Thornton Skelbeck of 205 Upper Thames Street E.C. be elected a Member of the Company, seconded by the Master and carried unanimously

(It was pointed out that these elections would perpetuate the name of Skelbeck which had appeared continuously on the Company's Rolls since 1766)

Mr. T. La. Southgate moved that Mr. Thomas Bishop Southgate B.A. of 19 Manor Park Hither Green S.E. be elected a Member of the Company, seconded by the Master and carried unanimously

July Court The Master asked the leave of the Court to invite at his own expense Dinner Ladies and certain distinguished Guests to the Court Dinner on the 10th July and his suggestion was cordially approved

Music at Company Mr. Hill suggested that the Company should in future pay £10.0.0 instead of £7.7.0 for the fee for the Music at the Court Dinner but the Treasurer stated that the Company's funds were low at the present time and it was arranged that the matter should stand over

The followings accounts were passed for payment

The London Taverns Company Court Dinner on 23rd January 1906

The Worshipful Company of Stationers Rent of Hall to date

Mess^{rs} J. Warner & Co. Printing and Lithographing Account

Mess^{rs} Parkers & Goble Stamped Rent Receipt Book

T. La. Southgate Esq^r In repayment of out of pocket payments made on behalf of the Company

Mess^{rs} Pettit & Cox Printing Programmes

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Furnishments for 9
Beadles Salary

At the
First and Special
William Y. St.

The Second Prize
Prize Winning
Quartet for the

Mr. George
at Law was the
and took up the

Mr. Clement
day admitted a
his Levy having

Mr. Charles
Merchant was the
Master and took

Howard	£	11	14	5
Clerks Salary for quarter ending 24 th April 1906	£	7	10	0
Disbursements for quarter ended 31 st March 1906	4	8	11	
Quarters Salary for quarter ending 24 th April 1906	2	12	6	
	£	76	15	10

Signed E. E. Coppins

Master

At the Dinner following the Grant the Master presented the First and Special Prizes awarded in the Goblett Prize Competition to Mr William W. Hurlstone and Mr Frank Bridge respectively the Winner of the Second Prize Mr Hayden Wood being absent in Canada and the three Prize Winning Competitions were performed after the Dinner by the Saunders Quartette for the first time in public

24th April 1906 Mr George Guspe Whaley of The Mastheads Tobacco Company S.E. Barrister at Law was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

Mr Clement Oswald Skilbeck of 6 Carlton Hill N.W. Artist was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

Mr Charles Thornton Skilbeck of 205 Upper Thames Street E.C. Merchant was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Livery having previously paid the fees

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At a Meeting of the Court of Assistants
held at Stationers Hall on Tuesday the 10th July 1904

Present: E. E. Cooper Esq Master on the Chair
Sir Homewood Crawford Senior Warden
A. G. Hunter Esq Junior Warden
Sir Frederick Budge Miss^{rs} J. C. Colford G. D. Hillyer
F. Harwood Sircher G. T. D. Crows J. Lee Southgate
Reverend R. H. Hadden Miss^{rs} S. H. Littleton J. F. Hill
W. P. Fuller and Colonel T. B. Shaw Hallier

Fourteen Guineas were paid to the Members present

The Minutes and proceedings of the Court held on the 24th April
were read, and confirmed

Royal College of Music The Senior Warden stated that he had been present at Mattersey
House on the 9th instant at the Annual Meeting of the Royal College
of Music when the Duke of Wales in his Speech had expressly referred to
the Prizes for Compositions for String Instruments offered by the Worshipful
Company of Musicians and said he believed this was the first occasion
on which ^{this} Company had been specifically mentioned by Royalty
and the Clerk was directed to file a newspaper report of the proceedings
and to obtain a suitable scrap book for the purpose in which other
newspaper cuttings relating to the Company could also be inserted

Guildhall School of Music The following Report from Dr. W. H. Cummings of the Company
of Musicians } Scholars at the Guildhall School of Music was read

To the Worshipful
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To the Worshipful Company of Musicians

I have the honor to submit to the Master Wardens and Court of the Musicians Company a report of the conduct and progress of the various scholars in this school who are assisted by the Worshipful Company

Miss Emmeline Brock Musicians Company scholar is studying harmony and composition with Professor Dr. Hamilton Robinson. She is an expert pianoforte player and has composed much excellent music for that instrument recently she was awarded a prize in the Mark Hambourg open competition for a Scherzo in A Major which has since been published. Her assiduity and diligence have fully justified the distinction conferred upon her by the Scholarship.

The Carnegie Scholars

Miss Elizabeth Kettle Vocalist Pianist and Violinist Singing is her chief study she has progressed so well that she was permitted to sing at a concert on the 26th June with orchestral accompaniment. The piece she performed was the Recitative and Air from Costa's Ede "I will extol thee" A severe test but it served to prove that she possesses a voice of good compass and quality which as the years advance will gain in power. (She is 17 years of age). She sang the music in musicianly style. Her pianoforte and violin playing are both progressing satisfactorily.

Miss Ethel Harman Has exceptional ability as a pianist. She is also an excellent violinist and is making good progress in harmony and composition. She is regular in attendance and exemplary in conduct.

The Palmer Scholars

Mr R. J. Stannard is studying Harmony with Professor Trout and Piano with Professor Speaight. Stannard is 15 years of age and has therefore to devote much of his time to his general scholastic studies but notwithstanding he has made admirable progress on his work at this school. He is diligent and able and gives satisfaction to his teachers.

Mrs J. J. Herbert 16 years of age is exceptionally gifted and promises by her diligence and enthusiasm to become a very able musician. Professor Bayre reports of her pianoforte playing in terms of high commendation. The like may be said of her Harmony Professor Dr. Trout. She is also doing good work with Mr. Gibson under Professor

In conclusion I can only say that I think it would be difficult to find Students more worthy to hold Scholarships.

William H. Cummings

Principal

25 June 1906

On the proposition of the Master seconded by the Senior Warden it was decided that the Report should be entered on the Minutes and that a vote of thanks should be accorded to Dr. Cummings for the same.

Offer of £25 to
a Student for a
composition

Mr. Crows reported that Mr. York Bowen who was the Company's librettist in 1905 had been selected to compose a piece of music suitable for performance in public as an illustration of the capabilities of a young English Musician and a letter from Mr. York Bowen was read suggesting that he should compose a Quartet and his suggestion was approved provided the performance was limited to twenty minutes and the Master undertook to communicate with Mr. York Bowen on the subject.

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 from England and the matter was decided to stand over

Mr. W. H. Ash } The following Report was read by Mr. S. T. Hill and was decided
Bridge } to be entered on the Minutes

The Committee appointed to deal with the sums of money offered by
Mr. W. H. Ash duly met on May 16th Mr. S. T. Hill being in
 the chair

Mr. Ash said that his wishes were that Sir Edward Elgar should
 be asked to write a Patriotic Marching Song and with this the
 Committee expressed their entire agreement. Mr. Shillock kindly offered to
 open up negotiations with Sir Edward Elgar

Mr. Ash had himself made arrangements with Sir Alexander Mackenzie
 to write a work for violin solo with accompaniment for strings. It is
 hoped that this composition which is well on hand will be completed
 in time for performance in the Autumn and Mr. Woltmann who is in
 touch with Sir Alexander Mackenzie is looking forward to playing it

Finally Mr. Woltmann was asked by the Committee to see Sir
Alexander again and to continue the negotiations already entered into for
 a prize of 20 guineas to enable a young British composer to publish
 a work. Sir Alexander has recommended a Song-cycle by Bath a
 present Student of the Royal Academy. A cantata by this student
 was recently performed at the Academy and met with a very favorable
 reception from the press. Sir Alexander added that if the Song-
 cycle did not come up to his expectations he would not hesitate to
 reject it

Mr Littleton said he had communicated with Sir Edmund Elton who had taken kindly to the idea of writing a Patriotic Marching Song and it was decided to leave the matter with Mr Littleton for the present

Collett Prize Competition

The Master reported that he had given permission for the Collett Prize Thanksgiving to be performed at Reckstein Hall

The Blisk reported that he had received £14.5.5 from Mr Danall Mayne as the proceeds of sale of tickets etc. at the Collett Prize Thanksgiving concert held at Reckstein Hall on the 24th June last

He also reported that Mr H. Walds Warner had arranged with Messrs G. Limited for the publication of his work and it was decided that a portion of the £14.5.5 received should be expended in publishing Mr James Fishers work subject to a suitable arrangement being entered into with the composer as to royalties to the satisfaction of the Master

Ernest Palmer
Music Scholarship

The Blisk reported the receipt of the further £250 given by Mr S. Ernest Palmer and that it had been invested in the purchase of £265.16.0 Metropolitan Water "B" Stock in augmentation of the original Scholarship Fund

Invitations to

Distinguished Musical
Friends (See Ante
page 250)

The Reverend R. H. Hadden moved that 2 distinguished musical Guests should be invited to dine with the Company at the Levery Dinner in October in every year This was seconded by Sir Howard Crawford and carried unanimously

Various names of distinguished Musicians were mentioned and it was finally decided that D. Joachim and Sir August Manns should be invited next October and that failing either of these being able to attend

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Ms Lewis Hill

The Reverend N. H. Hadden suggested that the Honorary Freedom of the Company should be conferred on Ms Lewis Hill in recognition of what she had done for Music

The Master supported the Motion and stated that Ms Lewis Hill had given £17500 to the Royal Academy of Music and Ms Hill said there was a precedent for bestowing the Freedom on a Lady and after discussion it was decided on the proposition of the Reverend N. H. Hadden seconded by Sir Howard Crawford that the Master be authorised to ascertain if Ms Lewis Hill would be willing to accept the Honorary Freedom of the Company

The Company's

Silver Medal

On the proposition of the Master seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge it was resolved that the Company's Silver Medal for the present year should be bestowed on Mr James Tusken Composition Scholar and Pianist the Pupil recommended by Sir Hubert Parry Bart the Director of the Royal College of Music and the Winner of one of the extra prizes on the Cobbett Prize Competition

Music received from Lehmann's Company

Ms A. F. Hill reported that the music in question had been inspected and was found to be of a popular description and of small value and it was left to the Clerk to deal with it as he thought fit

Windows on

Southwark Cathedral

Ms G. F. D. Grew stated it was his intention to erect a Window on the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour Southwark the subject to be St Cecilia the Patron Saint of Music and he asked the leave of the Court to present the Window in the name of the Company

Ms Grew said that the Lady Chapel in question was particularly

connected with Music as John Mabeck the Organist of S^t. George's Chapel Windsor was bred in it for Henry in 1544 and that Sir John Skinner the Past-Master of the Company was baptised in the present Chapter House

On the proposition of the Master seconded by Sir Frederick Bridge Mr Craws offer to place a window on the Cathedral in the name of the Company was most gratefully accepted and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him for his liberality

On the suggestion of Mr Craws the Master, Wardens, Sir Frederick Bridge and Mr A. H. Littleton were appointed a committee to confer with Mr Craws with a view to carrying out the necessary arrangements

Mr J. C. Collard On the proposition of the Junior Warden seconded by the Master a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr J. C. Collard for his kindness in supplying Pianos at the Great and Lower Dinners

Publication of
Tracts delivered
at the Musical
Loan Exhibition Mr Southgate reported that the ordinary copies of the Lectures had been published and that the special copies on half calf would be issued shortly and on the suggestion of Sir Homewood Crawford it was decided that special copies should be sent to the King, Queen, Marquess, The Prince and Princess of Wales, The Lord Mayor and Sheriff in Office during the Exhibition and the Prime Warden Wardens and Clerk of the Fishmongers Company in Office at the same time and it was left with the Master and Sir Homewood Crawford to send any other copies they might think fit

On the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by the Master a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Southgate for the great benefit

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The Worshipful Company of Stationers Rent of Hall to date	15	15	.
The London Taverns Company Limited For Dinner on the 21 st April 1906	26	8	4
Mess ^{rs} J. Warner & Co. Printing and Lithographing account	1	13	8
Mess ^{rs} Andrews & Co. For Champagne	25	1	6
Mess ^{rs} Robert Gray & Co. Cigars	6	5	.
Clerk's Salary for quarter ending 10 th July 1906	£ 7.10.0		
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Signed E. E. Cooper

Master

At the Dinner following the Board a number of Ladies and Distinguished Guests were entertained by the Master at his own expense and the Programme consisted of selections from Schumann's Works in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of his death. The Andante and Variations for two Pianos Op. 10, being performed by M^{rs} Ernest E. Cooper and M^{rs} Otto Goldschmidt a Member of the Company who is believed to be the last surviving Pupil of Schumann.

M^r Thomas Bishop Southgate B.A. of 19, Manor Park, North Green Lane S.E. Merchant was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Levy having previously paid the fee

10 July 1906

At a Special Meeting of the Court
held at 16 Berners Street W on Wednesday the 8th August
1906

Present E. C. Cooper Esq^r Master in the Chair

A. C. Hunter Esq^r Junior Warden

Miss J. H. Skellock, J. C. Bellard, F. Harwood Escher

J. Lee Southgate and Colonel T. B. Shaw Hillar

Letters expressing regret at inability to attend on account of absence
from London were read from the Senior Warden Sir Frederick Bridge
The Reverend W. H. Staddon and M^{rs} A. F. Hill

M^{rs} Lewis Hill A letter was read from M^{rs} Ada Lewis Hill stating that she
would be pleased to accept the Honorary Freedom of the Company
and would be proud of the distinction and on the proposition of the
Master seconded by the Junior Warden it was unanimously resolved that
the Honorary Freedom of the Company be conferred upon M^{rs} Ada Lewis
Hill of 16 Grosvenor Square W in recognition of her generous support of
the Art of Music and that if the state of her health rendered it
inconvenient for her to be present at a Court Meeting she be admitted to
the Honorary Freedom out of Court

The form of the Certificate to be presented to M^{rs} Lewis Hill was
settled and the Master undertook to make the necessary arrangements with
her for its presentation notice of the appointment to be given to each
member of the Court so that as many members might attend as
possible

Court
8th August

Invitation to
distinguished
Manual Guests

Letters were read from P. Joachim, Sir August Manns and Sir William
H. Hoildsworth Bart regretting their inability to attend on the 30th October
and the Clerk reported that P. A. H. Mann had accepted the invitation
On the proposition of Colonel T. B. Shaw Stellier seconded by the Junior
Warden it was unanimously resolved that Sir Charles Villiers Stanford M.A.
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A letter was read from the Clerk of the Worshipful Company of
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At a Court of Assistants held at
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Present E. E. Cooper Esq^r Master in the Chair

Sir Homewood Crawford, Senior Warden

A. C. Hunter Esq^r Junior Warden

Mess^{rs} J. H. Skellock, J. C. Bellard, C. D. Hellyn, J.

Harwood Lusher, W. Cordy Strong, C. J. C. Cues, J. L.

Southgate, The Rev^d R. H. Hadden and Mess^{rs} J. H.

Skelton, A. F. Hill and W. P. Fuller

Fourteen Guineas were paid to the Members present

The Minutes of the Court held on the 10th July last and the Special Meeting of the Court held on the 5th August last were read and confirmed

W. H. Frisby The Clerk reported the death of W. Henry Richard Frisby, one of the oldest Members of the Court, on the 5th September 1906 and on the proposition of Sir Homewood Crawford seconded by W. C. D. Hellyn a vote of condolence with his Widow was unanimously passed and the Vote was directed to inform W. Frisby thereof

W. Lewis Hill The Master reported the death of W. Ada Lewis Hill before she had sufficiently recovered to receive the Honorary Freedom in person and stated that the Certificate of Freedom prepared for W. Lewis Hill had been delivered to her Brother W. E. H. Davies to whom W. Lewis Hill by her will had left the decorations which were bestowed upon her and a letter was read from W. Davies suitably acknowledging the same

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Composition A letter was read from Captain Alex. S. Beaumont of South Norwood Park S.E. who had borne the expense of a concert at Bechstein Hall where the Phantasies had been performed urging the company to foster the love for this class of music

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A letter was also read from Newello & Co. Limited stating that the score of Mr. Hurlston's Phantasy was now ready

A letter was also read from Mr. W. W. Gilbert saying he would like to have authority to distribute 25 copies of each of the Phantasies to Quartermen's Organisations and others and the necessary leave was granted

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Mr. A. F. Hill reported that the arrangement come to by Mr. W. Wilde Warner with Metzler & Co. Limited for the publication of his Phantasy had fallen through and stated that it was proposed to have this Phantasy published at the expense of the Society Club

British
Orchestras In pursuance of Notice Sir Homewood Crawford moved
That it is desirable to convene at a suitable date a conference to consider the status of British Orchestras with a view to securing their due recognition
He suggested that such a conference might be held in Stokers Hall
This was seconded by Mr. Southgate and carried unanimously and the Master the new Master and Wardens Sir Frederick Budge and Mr. A. F. Hill were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements with power to add to their number

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Exhibition Sir Homewood Crawford reported the gracious acceptance of Presentation Copies of these Lectures by Her Majesty The King and Queen Alexandra

Their Royal Highnesses The Prince and Princess of Wales The Royal Highness The Prince Christian and other Nobilities and the originals of the letters he had received from many distinguished persons expressing appreciation of the Volume (copies of which letters had been previously sent to the various Members of the Court) were laid on the Table.

A formal vote of thanks signed by the Town Clerk on behalf of the Library Committee of the Corporation of the City of London for the copy presented to them to be placed on the Library at the Guildhall was also read.

The account incurred for petty disbursements in connection with the distribution of copies was ordered to be paid with an additional £3.3.0 as a donation for clerical assistance.

Company Badge The following further report from the Committee was read by Mr A. F. Hill

The Badge Committee

Mr. Skellock kindly attended the Meeting of the Committee appointed to deal with this question and submitted the design shown herewith which met with approval.

It is suggested that a silver gilt badge of the size of a crown piece be presented to each past master. The cost of making this die would be £4.15.0 and the actual cost of the badges with ring 7/ each. For the use of the other members of the Court a silver gilt badge of the size of a four shilling piece is suggested. The cost of this die would be £4.10.0 and the badges 4/ each. It is further suggested that a silver badge with ring of the size of a half crown piece be presented to every member of our Company on taking up the livery. The cost of this die would be £4.0.0 and the badges 3/6 each. If cases are required they

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It is suggested that the badges worn by members of the Court be suspended from the neck by a ribbon of the Company's colors

Mr. Skelbeck who has interested himself in this matter has not only prepared the above estimate of cost but kindly offered to see to the execution of the work.

A letter was also read from Mr. Clement C. Skelbeck expressing the hope that the Court would accept his design for the Badge - which as a Member of the Company he had had much pleasure in making

The Treasurer while entirely approving of the Report pointed out that the funds of the Company would hardly justify the suggested expense and Mr. Crews stated that if the Court would allow him he would be very pleased to bear all necessary expenses out of his own pocket

On the proposition of Sr. Homewood Crawford seconded by the Treasurer the Committee's Report was adopted and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Crews for his further liberality and for the great interest he always evinced in the Company's welfare

On the proposition of Mr. Holbyn seconded by the Junior Warden a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Clement C. Skelbeck for the trouble and interest he had taken in the matter

Mr. W. H. Ash's Pages } The following further report with reference to the Marching Song was read by Mr. A. F. Hill and directed to be entered on the Minutes

The Committee appointed by this Court to deal with the prize and sums of money offered by Mr. W. H. Ash beg to report as follows:-

As regards the Marching Song it gives us great satisfaction to be able to report that Mr Alfred Littleton has used his Offices to such good effect that Sir Edward Elgar has graciously acceded to our request to compose the music for the same.

At the last meeting of the Committee Mr Littleton laid the correspondence before the members and Mr Arthur Hill at once wrote to Sir Edward Elgar saying that the news of his decision would be laid before the Court at its Meeting today.

In appealing to Sir Edward Elgar the end in view was the production of a great song for our soldiers. Suitable words by an inspiring poet are still wanting but since we have been so fortunate as to secure the assistance of Sir Edward Elgar we think that if Mr Rudyard Kipling were asked he might on patriotic grounds enter into our idea. With the collaboration of two such men it is possible that a truly moving song might be composed and written, a song that we hope may prove to be a second National Anthem or Rule Britannia.

On the proposition of Mr Lister seconded by Sir Homewood it was unanimously resolved that the Report be accepted and that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the Committee for their services on the matter. It was also arranged that the new Master should appoint Mr Rudyard Kipling with a view of getting him to write the words for the Song.

The following Report with reference to the Violin Solo and the Prize for a British Composer was also read by Mr Hill.

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finished but an arrangement for the pianoforte is ready and by permission of the Court of our Worshipful Company Mr. Wellmann hopes to play this composition to the members of the Society Club on next St. Cecilia's Day.

The Committee suggests that Sir Alexander Mackenzie should be allowed to retain the copyright of this composition and be left entirely free to make his own arrangements with regard to its publication, on condition that he in some way acknowledge the action of the Musicians Company and that the composer's autograph manuscript be presented to the Company.

Sir Alexander Mackenzie's work will no doubt be played at the leading orchestral concerts and our Company will in this way receive due credit for its encouragement of British Musical Art.

Four songs composed by Mr. Bath, a present Student of the Royal Academy of Music, have been accepted as being of sufficient merit to justify the sum of Twenty Guineas being awarded to him. This sum was offered by Mr. Ash to enable a young British composer to publish some of his own music.

On the proposition of the Master seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford the Report was unanimously accepted and directed to be entered on the Minutes.

Platform

The advisability of purchasing a platform for the Company's entertainments was considered and an estimate which had been obtained by the clerk from Simmonds Brothers Limited amounting to £16 was read and the matter was left on the hands of the Master Wardens and Treasurer.

- New Members Sir Homewood Crawford moved that
Mr Charles Albert Edward Harass Miss Dec Cantuar of 1 Berners Street
 of the company be elected a Member of the Company
 Seconded by Mr A. H. Littleton and carried unanimously
- Mr A. C. Hunter moved that
Mr James Hauss Abaster of The Hollow Kings Head Richmond Surrey
 Publisher be elected a Member of the Company
 Seconded by Mr A. F. Hill and carried unanimously
- Master The Master moved that Sir Homewood Crawford be elected Master for
 the ensuing year
 Seconded by Mr J. H. Skelbeck and carried unanimously
- Senior Warden The Master Elect briefly returned thanks
 The Master moved that Mr Albert Charles Hunter be elected
 Senior Warden for the ensuing year
 Seconded by Mr G. F. D. Crows and carried unanimously
- The Senior Warden Elect briefly returned thanks
- Junior Warden Sir Homewood Crawford moved that Mr Thomas Lea Southgate be
 elected Junior Warden for the ensuing year
 Seconded by Mr W. Cordy Herring and carried unanimously
- The Junior Warden Elect briefly returned thanks
- The Secretary and the Master and Wardens were authorized to receive the necessary Declarations of the
 new Master and Wardens out of Court and to install them in office at
 the banquet following the same
- Treasurer Mr J. H. Skelbeck moved that Mr John Clemente Gollard be
 re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing year
 Seconded by Mr G. F. D. Hobblyn and carried unanimously

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The Reverend R. H. Hadden moved that Mr. Thomas Gellingwood Tunwick be re-elected Clerk for the ensuing year

Seconded by Mr. J. Harwood Tescher and carried unanimously

Beadle

The Master moved that Mr. Ernest Hills be re-elected Beadle for the ensuing year

Seconded by Sir Homewood Crawford and carried unanimously

Note of thanksto the Master

Sir Homewood Crawford moved that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Master for the services he had rendered to the Company and for his liberality during his year of office and wished such vote of thanks to include Mr. Cooper

This was seconded by Mr. G. J. D. Crows and carried with acclamation and the Master suitably replied

S. Bartholomew'sSharp Inn Ward

A letter was read from the Organist of S. Bartholomew's Sharp Inn Ward applying for a contribution towards the repair of the Organ there and the Clerk was directed to inform the Applicant that there were no funds available for the purpose

New Memberof Court

Mr. Skelbeck suggested that as there was a vacancy on the Court by reason of Mr. H. R. Fisher's death Alderman Sir George Wyatt Juscott should be elected to fill the same but the opinion was expressed by some of the Members present that perhaps it would be better to elect Sir George as Master direct from the Livery in the year he served the Office of Lord Mayor and when he would be Lord Mayor Elect

Mr. Crows gave notice that at the next Court he would propose the names of Mr. Robert Edmund Brandt and Mr. Clifford Blackburn Edgar for election and The Reverend R. H. Hadden gave notice that he would propose the name of Alderman Sir George Wyatt Juscott so that the

matter might be discussed and the Clerk was directed to put this business on the Agenda for the next Court

The Music Trades The Treasurer said that he was to take the Chair at the Annual President's Dinner of the Music Trades Benevolent Society to be held shortly and suggested that the Court might vote a sum to the funds of the Society as being a very desirable object and on the proposition of Sir Homewood Crauford, seconded by Mr. Loscher it was resolved that a sum of £10.10.0 should be voted accordingly

Lucia St. Paul's Cathedral Mr. Crew as the prospective President of the Livery Club asked the leave of the Court to arrange for a Service at St. Paul's Cathedral on the afternoon of St. Paul's Day when he hoped the Bishop of London would consent to preach a short sermon and the necessary permission was cordially given

The following accounts were passed for payment

The Worshipful Company of Stationers, Use of Hall for Quarter to date	15	15	
The London Taverns Company Limited For Grand Dinner on the 10 th July last	8	8	
The Walter Scott Publishing Company Limited For presentation copies of Exhibition Lectures	32	17	0
Mr. Tom Broad For printing and stationery	1	19	6
Miss J. Warner & Co. Printing and Lithographing account	2	16	2
Miss Blakes East & Blakes For Certificate of Freedom for Mr. de la Cruz Hall	3	18	6
Clerks Salary for Quarter ending 30 th October 1906	£7	10	0
Expenses for Quarter ending 30 th September 1906	3	17	1
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Mess ^{rs} Robert Gray & Co For Wine and cigars		17	8	6
James Tuscott & Sons Limited For Programmes &c		13	13	.
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Signed
John H. Stirkbeck
 Acting Master

At the Banquet following the Court the Silver Medal of the Company was presented to Mr James Tuscott the Pupul selected by the Director of the Royal College of Music

The Banquet was attended by The Right Honorable The Lord Mayor (Sir Walter Vaughan Morgan Bart), Mr Sheriff Dunn (Mr Alderman and Sheriff Crosby being unable to attend at the last moment through illness), The Lord Chief Justice of England and many other distinguished persons numbering in all 116 and during the evening the new Master and Wardens were sworn in and the new Master was introduced to the Society and took the Chair for the rest of the evening

30th October 1906 Mr James Edmund Jury of Longwood Weybridge Stockbroker was this day admitted a Member of the Company by the Master and took up his Society having previously paid the fee

On St Cecilia's Day, Thursday the 22nd November 1906 the Members of the Company by arrangement with the Authorities of St. Pauls Cathedral attended Evensong at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral when special music was given this being the revival of an ancient custom of attending Church on St Cecilia's Day

The Members met in the Lord Mayors Vestry and proceeded in procession to the Chancel where Shells were allotted to them subsequently returning to the Lord Mayors Vestry in the same order

The procession was formed as follows

Cathedral Organ

Company's Bandle with Mace

28 Surrogemen, two abreast

The President of the Society Club (Clifford B. Edgar Esq. M.A. J.P.)

Honorary Treasurer

A. H. D. Ponding Esq. M.A. The Rev. F. W. Galpin M.A.

J. Ernest Palmer Esq. J.P.

The Clerk (J. G. Fenwick Esq.)

Members of the Court who had not passed the Chair

A. F. Hill Esq. F.S.A. A. H. Littleton Esq.

The Rev. W. H. Stadden M.A.

Past Masters

A. T. D. Cross Esq. D.L. J.P., F.S.A. J. Harwood Lusher Esq.

C. D. Hobbs Esq. J. C. Collier Esq.

J. H. Skilbeck Esq.

Company's Banner borne by a Cathedral Official and supported by John Bruker Esq.^{sr} and J. H. Maberley Esq.^{sr}

The Chaplain (The Rev. Robinson Duckworth D.D. C. U. C.)

The Junior Warden

The Senior Warden

(J. Lea Southgate Esq)

(A. G. Hunter Esq)

The Acting Master

(E. E. Cooper Esq^{sr})

in the unavoidable absence through illness of the Master Sir Honoured Crawford.

Such of the Members as had their own gowns and hoods were them
and Livery Gowns were provided for the use of the other Members.

The Livery Club of the Company held a Banquet at Stationers
Hall in the evening to which the Cathedral Dignitaries were invited and
at which special music relating to the celebration of St. Cecilia's Day was
given

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It a Special Meeting of the Council
held at De Keyser's Royal Hotel Victoria Embankment & Co
on Wednesday the 19th December 1906

Present - Sir Hemwood Bradford, Master in the Chair
A. G. Hunter Esq^r, Senior Warden
J. S. Southgate Esq^r, Junior Warden
Sir Frederick Bridge and Mess^{rs} J. Harwood Escher, C.P.
Crews A. H. Sibleton and A. J. Hill
The Pradle was in attendance

Letters of explanation were read from absent Members of the Council and the Master reported the absence through illness of the Clerk Mr. J. H. Fenwick and much sympathy was expressed

Window on Southwark Cathedral } Mr. Crews explained the delay which had occurred in connection with the commencement of the Window promised to be erected by him on Southwark Cathedral and on his suggestion it was resolved that the Clerk should address a communication to Canon Thompson asking for some explanation as to the cause of the delay with a view to the matter being expedited

Consent on side of the Lord Mayor's supplies Home Fund } The Master reported the receipt of an appeal addressed by the Lord Mayor Sir William Topley to the Company for financial assistance in connection with his fund for the erection of a Home for Supplied Children and stated that he had replied that unfortunately the Company was not possessed of any funds available for such a purpose but that he felt sure he could rely upon the cordial co-operation of his fellow Members in the Company should the Lord Mayor approve of the organisation by the Company of a concert at the

Mansion House in aid of the Fund and the following letter from the Lord Mayor in answer to the Masters communication was read.

The Mansion House
London E.C.

December 10. 1906

Dear Sir Homewood Crawford

You have been kind enough as Master of the Musicians Company to make the very handsome offer to organise a Matinee Concert at the Mansion House in aid of my "Cripples Fund". I need hardly say that I accept this generous proposal with sincere gratitude and that I shall be glad to accord all facilities so far as the Mansion House is concerned for the carrying out of the Scheme. I venture to suggest that the Concert should not take place until the Christmas & New Years holidays are well over & people have returned to London. The collection of the Fund will probably continue all through my Mayoralty.

Yours very sincerely

W. P. Trehear

Lord Mayor

Sir Homewood Crawford

On the proposition of the Junior Warden seconded by Mr. A. H. Littleton it was unanimously resolved that the Masters action be approved and that in compliance with the Lord Mayor's Appeal a Concert be organised with his Lordship's approval at the Mansion House in May next and that the Members of the Company be asked to cooperate.

It was further resolved on the proposition of Sir Frederick Bridge seconded by Mr. Lescher that a Committee be formed to consist of the

Master Wardens Sir Frederick Bridge The Treasurer (Mr J. C. Collins) and
Miss G. J. P. Lewis E. C. Cooper A. H. Littleton and A. F. Hill with
 power to co-opt others.

The Master reported that he had already secured the promised services of
 a Member of the Society Mr. Kemble Rumpf and of his wife M^{rs} Clara
Ruff (the Company's first Lady Medallist for Singing) and that the
Junior Warden had been fortunate in inducing Mr. Charles Sankey also a
 Member of the Society to promise to sing at the concert.

The Master further reported that Mr. J. Ernest Palmer one of the
 Company's Honorary Treasurers and the Founder of the Royal Palace Fund
 of the Royal College of Music had generously offered to assist financially
 even to the extent of paying for the services of an Orchestra if desired. In the
 course of a discussion which followed Sir Frederick Bridge deprecated the
 employment of an Orchestra as being an unnecessary expense but thought the
 Company should avail itself of Mr. Palmer's generous offer. He accordingly
 moved that the same should be accepted with grateful thanks. This was
 seconded by Mr. Lecher and resolved unanimously and the Clerk was directed
 to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Palmer.

Spent at St. Pauls Cathedral on
 St. Cecilia's Day
 The attendance at St. Pauls Cathedral on the afternoon of St. Cecilia's Day
 of the Acting Master (Mr. E. C. Cooper) with the Wardens and Members of the
 Court of Assistants accompanied by some of the Honorary Treasurer and
 Surveyors and attended by the Clerk and Beadle of the Company being
 reported on the proposition of the Master seconded by the Senior
 Warden it was unanimously resolved that a letter of thanks be sent to the
Pope and Chapter of St. Pauls Cathedral for having permitted the
 Company to attend officially the afternoon service there on St. Cecilia's Day

and further that a
 generous support in pursu-
 Pursuant of the Society
 the Members the thanks
 amount same and for
 the Chapter of St. Pauls
 thanked for his services

The Master reported
 to consider the provisions
 (Article 7 Cap. 34) but the
 conference might be mis-
 sufficiently important and
 to be submitted to Mr. C.
 can done by the Clerk
 seconded by Mr. Lecher
 approved and that a
 Members of the Court

Signed

and further that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Mr. Crews for his generous support in personally defraying all expenses and that as President of the Livery Club of the Company he be asked to convey to the Members the thanks of the Court for the suggested revival of the ancient Service and for the assistance rendered and that Sir George Martin the Organist of St. Pauls and a Liveryman of the Company be also thanked for his services in connection with the matter

Prevention of
Corruption Act
1906

The Master reported that he had been asked to convene a conference to consider the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 (6 Edward 7 Cap 34) but had declined being of opinion that such a conference might be misconstrued. He had however considered the matter sufficiently important and urgent to authorize the preparation of a case to be submitted to Mr. Horace Avery K.C. for his opinion which had been done by the Clerk on the preparation of Sir Frederick Bridge seconded by Mr. Lecher it was resolved that the Master's action be approved and that a copy of the opinion be circulated among the Members of the Court

Signed John H. Stutbeck
Acting Master