

At a Special Meeting of the Court
of Assistants held in the Board Room of Novello & Co
Limited 160 Wardour Street W on Thursday the 9th
April 1908

Present C. T. D. Crews Esq D.L., J.P. F.S.A. Master in the Chair
J. J. Southgate Esq D.C.L. Senior Warden
The Reverend R. H. Hadden M.A. Junior Warden
Sir Frederick Bridge M.V.O. Mess^{rs} J. G. Collard, C.D.
Hoblyn, F. Herwood Lescher, E. E. Cooper, A. C. Hunter,
A. H. Littleton and A. F. Hill

Marching Song The Clerk reported that the music of the Marching Song had now been received from Sir Edward Elgar and that arrangements were being made to have the Song performed by a picked Band from Kneller Hall at the next Court Dinner on the 28th instant

The Minutes relating to the Song were read as were also the words of the Song itself

Mr Littleton said that the only way to get Sir Edward Elgar to write the music for the Song was to let him have the benefit of the copyright in such music but Sir Frederick Bridge and Mr Collard were both of opinion that the Company ought to be entitled to some small profit out of the transaction either by way of royalty or otherwise. The Clerk reported that he had been in communication with Novello & Co Limited with reference to making some arrangements with regard to the copyright in the words and a letter from that firm to the Clerk dated the 11th February last was read of which the following is an extract