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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Passed at Six Special General Meetings, held on February 7 and April 3, 1876, on January 6, 1879, on December 6, 1886, on June 2, 1890, and on January 7, 1895.

OBJECTS AND CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association is called the "Musical Association" and is formed for the investigation and discussion of subjects connected with the Art, Science, and History of Music; and is intended to be similar in its organisation to existing Learned Societies.

It is not intended that the Association shall give concerts, or undertake any publications other than those of their own Proceedings, or the Papers read at their Meetings.

MEMBERS.

2. The Association shall consist of practical and theoretical musicians, as well as those whose researches have been directed to the science of acoustics, the history of the art, or other kindred subjects.

Any person desirous of being admitted into the Association must be proposed by two members. Foreigners resident abroad and distinguished in the Art, Science, or Literature of Music may be nominated by the Council for election as Honorary Members of the Association.

Elections will take place by ballot of the members present at any of the ordinary meetings, and one adverse vote in four shall exclude.

No newly elected member shall be entitled to attend the meetings until the annual subscription be paid.

SUBSCRIPTION.

3. The annual subscription to the Association is one guinea, which shall become due on the 1st of November in each year.

Any member may, upon or at any time after election, become a life member of the Association by payment of a composition of £10 10s. in lieu of future annual subscriptions, but in addition to any annual subscription previously paid or due from such member. Such sums shall from time to time be invested in legal security in the names of Trustees, to be appointed by the Council.

Any member intending to resign his membership shall signify his wish by notice in writing to the Secretary on or before the 31st of October, otherwise he shall be liable for his subscription for the ensuing year.

MEETINGS.

- 4. An ordinary meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday in every month, from November to June inclusive, at 5 P.M., when, after the despatch of ordinary business, Papers will be read and discussed, the reading to commence not before 5.20 P.M.
- 5. An annual general meeting of members only shall be held at the end of the financial year, to receive and deliberate on the Report of the Council, and to elect the Council and officers for the ensuing year.
- 6. Special general meetings may be summoned whenever the Council may consider it necessary; and they shall be at all times bound to do so on receiving a requisition in writing from five members, specifying the nature of the business to be transacted. At least one week's notice of such special meeting shall be given by circular to every member, and ten members present at any general meeting shall constitute a quorum.
- 7. Every member shall have the privilege of introducing one visitor at the ordinary meetings, on writing the name in a book provided for that purpose, or sending a written order.

COMMUNICATIONS.

8. Papers proposed to be read at the meetings may treat of any subject connected with the Art, Science, or History of Music, Acoustics, and other kindred subjects.

Papers will be received from or through any member of the Association.

Experiments and performances may be introduced, when limited to the illustration of the Paper read.

g. All communications read will become thenceforth the property of the Association (unless there shall have been some previous arrangements to the contrary), and the Council may publish the same in any way and at any time they may think proper.

REPORTS.

10. A Report of the Proceedings of the Association, including the Papers read or abstracts of the same, and abstracts of the Discussions, shall be printed and distributed to the members as soon as possible after the end of each session.

This Report will be arranged and edited by the Secretary, under the direction of the Council.

COUNCIL AND OFFICERS.

11. The management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in a Council, to be elected by ballot at the general meeting of the members.

The Council shall consist of a President, Vice-Presidents, and ten ordinary members of the Association.

The Secretary of the Association shall be ex officio an ordinary member of Council.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Auditors, and five ordinary members of the Council shall retire every year, but shall be eligible for re-election.

12. At the annual general meeting, the Council shall present a balloting list, showing the names of the persons

whom they propose for the offices of President, Vice-Presidents, and ordinary members of Council for the ensuing year. A copy of this list shall be given to each member present.

In voting, each member may erase any name or names from the balloting list, and may substitute the name or names of any other person or persons whom he considers eligible for each respective office; but the number of names on the list, after such erasure or substitution, must not exceed the number to be elected to the respective offices as above enumerated. Those lists which do not accord with these directions shall be rejected.

The Chairman of the meeting shall cause the balloting papers to be collected, and after they have been examined by himself and two scrutineers, to be appointed by the members, he shall report to the meeting the result of such examination, and shall then destroy the balloting papers. Auditors shall be appointed at the annual general meeting by the members, and the statement of accounts shall be sent by the Treasurer to the Auditors, and be remitted by them to the Secretary in time to enable the Council to judge of the prospects of the Association, and to prepare their report in accordance therewith.

13. The Council and officers shall meet as often as the business of the Association may require, and at every meeting three members of Council shall constitute a quorum.

ENACTMENT OR ALTERATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS.

14. No rules and regulations can be enacted, altered, or rescinded, except at a special meeting of members summoned for the express purpose, the summons stating distinctly and fully the matter to be brought under consideration.

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MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.

TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION, 1809-1900.

REPORT.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1900, AT THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF ORGANISTS:

Sir John Stainer in the Chair.

The following REPORT of the Council was read by the Secretary:-

THE Council beg leave to present to the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with Rule 5, their Report of the 26th

Session, 1899-1900.

In the course of the Session, papers have been read by Mr. Joseph Goddard, Dr. W. G. McNaught, Mrs. Henry Newmarch, Mr. John S. Bumpus, Professor Niecks, Mr. J. W. Warman, Dr. W. H. Cummings, and Mr. J. F. R. Stainer; and the Council desire to record their high appreciation of the generosity with which these able writers have placed the results of their thought and research at the service of the Association. The papers with the discussions thereon have

been printed and distributed as usual to the members.

A connection has been formed between the Musical Association and the Internationale Musikgesellschaft (International Musical Society), a Society recently inaugurated in Berlin for the formation in various countries of local Associations having similar objects to those of the Musical Association, and held in mutual communication by monthly and quarterly publications common to the whole in several languages. Negotiations between the Council of the Association and the English Committee of the Internationale Musikgesellschaft resulted in the Association agreeing to act under certain conditions as the London Branch of this organization, the arrangement being finally ratified at a Special General Meeting held on 13th February, 1900. The Council wish to point out to members and their friends the greatly increased facility thus afforded for gathering information and the results of research on musical subjects from all parts of the world, and they anticipate a steady development of the means employed for attaining this end. They are pleased to announce that no fewer than seventy-four ladies and gentlemen have already taken advantage of the special terms applicable to those who belong to both Societies, while others are about to join.

xiv REPORT.

The membership has increased during the year and the strength of the Association has been well maintained.

The Council have, with great regret, to record the loss by death of Sir George Grove, C.B., Mr. George Cockle, M.A., Mus.B. Oxon., Mr. Battison Haynes, and Dr. James Taylor,

New College, Oxford.

The Finances are in a very satisfactory condition, for notwithstanding that heavy exceptional expenses have been incurred, the balance in hand is still over £50, while, in addition, £30 has been expended in raising the invested

funds to the sum of £500 Consols.

In acccordance with the Rules, the President and Vice-Presidents retire from office. Five ordinary Members of Council, Mr. W. W. Cobbett, Mr. Myles B. Foster, Dr. W. G. McNaught, Dr. Charles Vincent, and Mr. F. Cunningham Woods also retire by rotation. All the above officers are reeligible, but Dr. Vincent does not offer himself for re-election. The Council submit the following nominations:—The President and Vice-Presidents as before, and the retiring Ordinary Members of Council as before, but with Mr. J. A. Fuller Maitland replacing Dr. Vincent. Members are however reminded of their right to make, in accordance with Rule 12, any other nomination they choose. The rule is as follows:—

"In voting, each member may erase any name or names from the balloting list and may substitute the name or names of any other person or persons whom he considers eligible for each respective office; but the number of names on the list after such erasure or substitution must not exceed the number to be elected to the respective offices as above enumerated. Those lists which do not accord with these directions shall be rejected."

On the motion of Mr. Blaikley, seconded by Mr. W. H.

Bonner, the Report was adopted.

The Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts was laid before the Meeting, and passed unanimously, on the motion of Mr. C. Welch, seconded by Mr. Arthur Fox.

Dr. Maclean moved, Mr. Bonner seconded, and it was resolved: "That the General Meeting approves of the action of the Council in having, as a special case, on the 26th June, 1900, admitted Mr. W. H. Hadow to be a joint life member of the two connected Societies."

The retiring Officers were re-elected, with the exception of Dr. Vincent, who did not offer himself for re-election. Mr. J. A. Fuller Maitland was elected an Ordinary Member of Council.

The Meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Officers and to the Chairman.

NOTICE.

Papers or short communications for the Monthly Meetings are received from or through Members; these and suggestions as to suitable subjects and capable writers will be gladly considered by the Council.

Members are desired to make the Association and its objects as widely known as possible. The Secretary will forward Prospectuses and Nomination Forms on application.

Members preferring to do so can pay their subscriptions through their Bankers. A form for this purpose may be obtained of the Secretary.

Any change of address should be promptly notified to the Secretary, as occasional complaints of the non-receipt of books and notices are usually traceable to either old or insufficient addresses.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

At a Special General Meeting held on February 13, 1900, the following Resolution was passed: "That the Council be and is hereby authorised to add to the title of the Musical Association on its publications and prospectuses till further notice the words 'In connection with the Internationale Musikgesellschaft."

The English Committee of the latter Society (International Musical Society) consists of: Sir Hubert Parry (President), Mr. Otto Goldschmidt (Vice-President), Sir Frederick Bridge, Dr. Cummings, Mr. W. H. Hadow, Sir Alexander Mackenzie, Dr. Maclean, Mr. Fuller Maitland, Dr. McNaught, Professor Niecks, Professor Prout, Mr. Barclay Squire, Professor Stanford, Mr. Sedley Taylor. The Society publishes a monthly Journal and quarterly Magazine, employing four languages, with the object of promoting interchange between different countries of information and opinions concerning the history, art, and science of music.

Owing to the long-standing position of the Musical Association, members thereof are admitted as members of the International Musical Society on very special terms, which can be ascertained from the Secretary of the Musical Association.

THE MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Income and Expenditure from October 20, 1899, to October 30, 1900.

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