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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Passed at Four Special General Meetings of the Members, held at 27, Harley Street, W., on February 7 and April 3, 1876, on January 6, 1879, and on December 6, 1886.

OBJECTS AND CONSTITUTION.

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.

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.

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.

Should members desire to withdraw from the Association, they should give notice to the Hon. Sec. on or before the 31st of October.

MEETINGS.

An ordinary meeting shall be held on the first Monday 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.

An annual general meeting of members only shall be held at 4 P.M. on the last Monday in October, to receive and deliberate on the Report of the Council, and to elect the Council and officers for the ensuing year.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 Honorary Secretary, under the direction of the Council.

COUNCIL AND OFFICERS.

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 on the last Monday in October.

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

The Honorary 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.

At the annual general meeting in October, 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.

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.

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.

THIRTEENTH SESSION, 1886-87.

REPORT.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Musical Association was held at No. 27, Harley Street, W., on Monday, October 31, 1887:

MAJOR G. A. CRAWFORD in the Chair.

The following REPORT of the Council was read by the Hon. Secretary:—

In accordance with the Rules of the Musical Association the Council presents to the Members its Annual Report of the eighteenth session.

During its course the usual series of eight Meetings has been held and Papers have been read by Emil Behnke, Esq., W. de M. Sergison, Esq., J. S. Curwen, Esq., Dr. Charles Pearce, Edmund Whomes, Esq., A. C. White, Esq., E. J. Breakspeare, Esq., and Mrs. Watts Hughes.

These papers have been printed and published, and a copy has been forwarded to each Member.

The Balance Sheet, duly audited, lies upon the table for inspection. The Council is glad to be able to announce that, as was anticipated last year, there is a sufficiently large balance to warrant a further purchase of stock to the value of £150, which has accordingly been ordered by the Council.* This will now make a total of £350 invested funds.

The Council again regrets to state that some subscriptions are outstanding—in several cases due for a considerable time

* This has been carried out and was reported to the General Meeting.

—and would urge upon the Members generally the importance of regularity in this respect, as otherwise considerable trouble and expense are inevitable.

After the close of the session, a Prospectus of the Association was printed, and a number of copies sent to each member. In this was included a complete list of the Papers that have been read before the Association, from its foundation until the present time. The Council congratulates the Association on having been the means of contributing so important and valuable an addition to the Musical literature of the time as is contained in these papers; and is confident that its usefulness will be largely enhanced in the future if members will do their utmost to make the Association and its work more widely known. Members desiring to have copies of the Prospectus for distribution can be supplied with them on application to the Assistant Secretary.

In accordance with the Rules, five Ordinary Members of Council retire: Messrs. Barry, Cummings, Prendergast, Prout, and Southgate. These gentlemen are eligible for re-election, but members are again reminded of their right to nominate other gentlemen to serve on the Council.

The Council regrets to announce the resignation by Mr. Stanley Lucas of the offices of Honorary Secretary and Trustee.

THE MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.

FINANCIAL YEAR FROM OCTOBER, 1886, TO OCTOBER, 1887.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Dr.							
1886.							
Oct. 22. To balance from last account ...	121	3	8				
" " subscriptions received for 1884 ...	2	2	0				
" " " " 1885 ...	6	6	0				
" " " " 1886 ...	28	7	0				
" " " " 1887 ...	123	18	0				
" " donation ...	0	10	6				
" " part subs. ...	0	8	0				
One year's dividends on £200 stock, 2½ per cent. ...	4	17	0				
Sale of copies of the Proceedings... ..	7	4	0				
	£294	16	2				
Cr.							
Expenses of season					105	4	7
Assistant Secretary's Salary					30	0	0
Purchase of £150 2½ per cent. stock					140	1	3
Balance at bank				£22	13	4	
Less subscriptions received for 1888 in advance				3	3	0	
					£294	16	2
Subscriptions outstanding—							
1, 1880. 2, 1882. 3, 1884. 9, 1886. ...					£43	1	0
2, 1881. 2, 1883. 5, 1885. 17, 1887. ...					0	13	0
Part subscription, 1887					£43	14	0
Subscriptions written off by order—							
5 subscribers { 1, 1880. 2, 1882. 3, 1884. 5, 1886. ...					£26	5	0
owing for { 2, 1881. 2, 1883. 5, 1885. 5, 1887. ...					17	9	0
Balance forward					£43	14	0

Examined and found correct, October 31, 1887.

W. S. COLLARD,
D. J. BLAIKLEY, } *Auditors.*

STANLEY LUCAS,
Hon. Treasurer.