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But at least one of his turret clocks has flown the nest, a two-train movement sold on when the Church of the Transfiguration in Hull was demolished in the 1970s. It would be very good to find and photograph it.

'Grandfather' Newey had two clock-making sons. The elder was Roland, generally called Dick (sometimes wrongly listed as Rowland or Richard), who ran his own separate business in York with his son Geoffrey. Roland's name occasionally surfaces on smaller pieces. Basil Newey, GJF's younger son, ran the Petergate business for another twenty five years after GJF's death and built several turret clocks of similar pattern to his father's. Any further information on Roland or Basil's work would be grist to my mill.

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CLOCK CASES

A symposium on 'The Longcase Clock and its Case', arranged by the British Museum and the Regional Furniture Society, will be held in memory of Michael Legg at the British Museum, on Saturday 13 October.

Speakers include Richard Bebb, John Cheetham, Eric Morton, John Robey and Susan Stuart. There will also be a visit to the study collection of provincial longcase clocks recently donated to the British Museum by Michael Grange. The fee of £20 will include coffee in the morning and tea in the afternoon.

To order tickets email horological@thebritishmuseum.ac.uk or telephone the Regional Furniture Society on 01305 264596

Polly Legg
Events Secretary,
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[Editor's note: for further details see the advertisement elsewhere in this issue.]

THE GEORGE DANIELS EDUCATIONAL TRUST

As a result of a significant bequest from the late George Daniels, pioneer independent watchmaker and inventor, a new initiative to benefit the British clock and watch industry has been established. The trust fund has been set up to encourage and financially assist apprentices and students, with grants and bursaries for training in all aspects of horology.

By actively supporting those wishing to make a career from horology in the UK, whether employed or self-employed, the trust fund will ensure that future generations are given the opportunity to develop their horological skills.

"A watch should have historic, intellectual, technical, aesthetic, amusing and useful qualities" an all encompassing quote from Dr. George Daniels CBE FBHI (1926-2011)

George Daniels is considered by many to have been the catalyst for the renaissance of the mechanical watch in the late 20th Century. Working alone over a period of forty years, he created 24 remarkable mechanical watches, each one a Masterpiece in its own right. These watches were entirely to his design, displaying the ingenuity, innovation and visual appeal that set his timepieces in a class of their own. As such, George became inspirational to a new generation of worldwide horologists.

Applications for grants and bursaries are open to residents of the British Isles. Although the funds are financed by The George Daniels Education Trust, a committee has been set up to help both administer and identify suitable candidates. This committee, which is formed from members of The Worshipful Company of Clockmakers and The British Horological Institute, is known as the George Daniels Educational Trust Advisory Committee, or GDETAC for short.

Enquiries are welcomed from individuals and horological teaching establishments.

For an application form please contact D J Poole FBHI, Email: clocks@davidpoole.co.uk

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