

General Board

10th April 1863

Present: Mr Law in the Chair
[Mr] Armani
[Mr] McNamara
[Mr] Laver
[Mr] Martelli

3915 Read Minutes of Meeting on 2nd inst. - the same were confirmed.

3916 Read Minutes of Special Board on 7th inst. - the same were confirmed.

3917 *Stamping of Certificates "dividend paid" - not expedient to enforce in London*

Read Minutes of Meeting of the Paris Committee on 8th inst. approving the election of Mr Law as Chairman for the Current year and the division of the fees as stated in Minutes of Special Board on 7th inst. - and suggesting that the certificate of shares should be stamped "Dividend paid 1862" at the time of payment. Resolved that the Paris Members be informed that it is not expedient to enforce the regulation as to the stamp in London as it would give rise to much dissatisfaction among the Shareholders who reside in all parts of the United Kingdom - that the dividends are paid only on personal or written application of the shareholder.

3918 Read Minutes of Meeting of Accounts and Finance Committee on 9th inst. - the same were confirmed and adopted.

[3919] *Mr Lawrence's stock - purchase delayed for concurrence of Paris Dirs.- Sick horses to be turned out in Plaistow marshes*

Read Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee on 9th inst. - the same were confirmed and adopted. Resolved that the purchase of Mr Lawrence's Stock (Minute No. 1981) be not completed until the Concurrence of the Paris Directors be intimated - that arrangements be made by Mr McNamara for turning out Sick horses in Plaistow Marshes on same terms as last year.

3920 Read Statement of Horses and Provender purchased and Horses sold during week ending 5th inst.- It appeared therefrom that the Company

possessed 6511 horses at that time, that the number owned by them at the corresponding period of 1862 was 6540, that during the week 62 were purchased for £1514, that the purchases in the corresponding period of 1862, were 66 for £1731,- that 33 Carcases were sold for £59,, 12,, 6, and 24 living horses for £86; that no Oats, 30 qrs. [quarters] of Beans at £2,, 3,, 0, 211½ loads of Hay and Clover at £3,, 14,, 10¾ and 151¾ loads of Straw at £1,, 13,, 2½ were purchased - that the prices in the corresponding week of 1862 were for Oats £1,, 1,, 9¼ for Hay and Clover £4,, 3,, 11 and for Straw £1,, 16,, 8¼.

3921 *Nickoll's claim. - settled for £22.*

Read letter dated 2nd inst. from Mess. Wilkinson & Compy. to the effect that they had settled Nickolls claim by payment of £22 (i.e. £10 damages and £12 costs) vide Minute No. 1867 of Executive Committee on 19th Febry.- the same was approved and it was Ordered that Cheque be handed to Mess. Wilkinson & Compy. for the amount.

3922 *Revenue Statement to 1st March submitted*

The Revenue Account for the period between 1st Jany. and 1st March was submitted and exhibited the following results viz

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{Per Omnibus per day

	1863	1862	
Receipts	£2,,12,,8	£2,,10,,9½	Total result Profit in 1863 after
Expences[Expenses] }			
Administration, Rent, Rates & Office Expenses. }	2/2	1/10½	
Duty, Drivers' & Conductors' wages, } Tolls,	16/11¼	16/11¼	
Compensation and } Sundry Outdoor } Expences			
Horsekeepers' Wages,}	4/4¼	4/-	
Washing, and Sundry} yard expences }			
Provender	19/6½	21/4	
Horses	10d	4/10¼	
Shoeing, and Veterinary Service	1/4¼	1/4	
Repairing Omnibuses, } Harness and premises}	3/7½	3/3¾	
Total Expenses			
	£2,,8,,10½	£2,,13,,8	
allowance}			
for reduction in Number of Horses }		£2465,, 2,, 11	
Loss in 1862 in same time		<u>£3299,, 19,, 0</u>	
Difference in favor [favour] of 1863		<u>£5765,, 1,, 11</u>	

3923 *Haley's death - £2 subscribed to fund for widow and children*

Subscription list was submitted in behalf of the widow and Children of James Haley late a Conductor on a Hampstead Omnibus, who fell while lifting a box from the roof, and sustained Concussion of the [crossed out – head] brain, and Consequent death - Resolved that a donation of £2 be made to the fund.

3924 *Mileage Duties - report re interview with Chancellor of Exchequer*

The Chairman reported that he and Mess. Armani, Martelli, Laver, and the Secretary attended on 9th inst. with others as a deputation to the Chancellor of the Exchequer introduced by Mr J. Bramley Moore M.P. to

support the application for relief from some part of the Mileage Duties levied by the Government - and that the Chancellor of the Exchequer having very patiently and attentively heard the representations of the deputation had promised to give the matter his careful consideration - that it had been proposed to him that in lieu of the existing License [Licence]and Mileage Duties there should be granted licenses on the following scale –

To enable an Omnibus to run daily not exceeding 10 miles	£ 5,, 0,, 0
And for every additional 5 miles	£ 2,, 10,, 0

- the amount to be paid a year in advance for all Licenses for 20 miles or less, and quarterly in advance for all Licenses for greater distances.

3925 *Advertising business - Mr Smith's applicatn. for allowance for Canvasser.*

Read letter dated 9th inst. from Mr. Smith, Advertising Agent, asking an allowance of 15 per cent on all sums above £2500 per annum, gained by the Company for Advertising in and upon their Omnibuses, in order to enable him to appoint a competent Canvasser at a salary of £ 100 per annum and 5% Commission, for the exclusive business of the Company, such an appointment being requisite in consequence of Mess. Lloyd, Benson, and other large advertisers having discontinued, and other smaller customers having to be found to make up the deficiency. Resolved that the application be complied with, with this modification viz that the allowance be 10 percent instead of 15 percent, and that it be payable on the net revenue of the Company above £3000 instead of £2500.

3926 *Mr Parker's Pass to be retained by him*

The Secretary placed on the table the Ivory Pass returned to him by Mr Parker on his retirement from the Direction - Resolved that the pass be returned to Mr. Parker with request that he will accept it.

3927 *Gilizan's claim to be defended*

The Secretary submitted papers in connection with a claim made and Writ issued by Mr Gilizan for damage to two horses in his Omnibus by the Company's omnibus No. 6918 on 14th ult:- it was reported that it was the fault of Mr Gilizan's driver who would himself be a witness for

the Company - Resolved that Mr Beard be instructed to defend the action.

3928 *Omnibus Service - Mr Manning's offer to admit omnibuses into Camden Town Association*

Read letter dated 9th inst. from Mr. Manning offering to admit three Kentish Town, and City Omnibuses of the Company into the Camden Town Association to share earnings at per Omnibus conditionally on the Company's three Kentish Town Omnibuses already working from Kentish Town to Westminster and sharing [sharing] in the Association starting from the Anglers' or "Grafton Arms" and of the Company not being entitled to any increase of their number of Omnibuses on the Camden Town road hereafter in respect of these three being admitted to the Association in the event of the number being so increased - Resolved that in the event of the four Kentish Town, and City Omnibuses being admitted to the Association the arrangement be agreed to - that it be referred to Mr McNamara and the Secretary to arrange the matter.

3929 *Cab and Omnibus Men's Sunday Rest Society - appointment to receive deputation.*

Read letter dated 10th instant from the Honorary Secretary of the Cab and Omnibus Men's Sunday Rest Society asking for the deputation from the Society to be received on 17th inst. instead of 10th inst. as previously appointed - Resolved that the appointment be made for ½ past 2 o'clock on 17th inst.

3930 *Chief Offices - agreement for further tenancy to be sealed.*

The Secretary reported that he could not arrange with Mess. Hunter for the Continuance of the tenancy of the Offices Moorgate Street, for less than £200 for one year further - the original Agreement with endorsement to that effect was submitted, and Ordered to be completed by the affixing of the Company's Seal.

[Signed] F John Law