

General Board

13th March 1863

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

3827 Read Minutes of Meeting on 6th inst. the same were confirmed.

3828 *Officious Meeting – Mess. McNamara, Laver and Lulham to attend*

Read Minutes of Meeting of the Paris Committee on 11th inst. Resolved that Mess. McNamara, Laver and Lulham be deputed to represent the English members of the Board at the proposed Officious Meeting of Shareholders in Paris on 25th inst.

3829 Read Minutes of Accounts and Finance Committee on 12th inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

3830 Read Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee on 12th inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

3831 Read Statement of Horses & Provender purchased and horses sold during week ending 8th inst. It appeared therefrom that the Company possessed 6476 horses at that time, that at same period of 1862 they had 6489, that during the week 36 were purchased for £879,, 14,, 0 and in the corresponding week of 1862, 42 for £1049, that 25 Carcases were sold for £45,, 2, 6, and 5 living horses for £25; - that 2144 qrs. [quarters] of Oats at £1,, 0,, 10 ¼, 500 qrs. of Maize at £1,, 10,, 6; 116¾ loads of Hay and Clover at £3,, 16,, 11, and 136 loads of Straw at £1,, 14,, 1 ½ were purchased, that in the corresponding week of 1862 the prices were for Oats, proportionate to their weight £1,, 3,, 6 ½, for Hay and Clover £4,, 4,, 9 ¼ and for Straw £1,, 13,, 5 ¼; that the comparison yielded a difference in favor [favour] of the current year equal to £410 on the average weekly consumption of the Company.

3832 *City Traffic Bill - refusal of Inland Revenue to interfere*

Read letter dated 6th inst. from the Assistant Secretary of Inland Revenue declining to interfere with respect to the City Traffic Bill (vide Minute No. 3799 of 27th ult.) on the ground that the "Bill will "not prevent the Company from taking out licences for the routes "that may be prescribed by the Corporation."

3833 *Osche and Cohen (re Colas' shares) Paris Dirs. to advise Board what is done*

Resolved that the Paris Committee be requested to advise the Board what has been done in reference to the Company's claim on Mess. Osche and Cohen in respect of the 14 shares of M. Colas (vide Minute No. 3405 of 11 July 1862) as the Board have heard that the shares have been restored to the Company at their Paris Office.

3834 *Chief Offices - difficulty to procure – consideration deferred*

The Secretary reported in reference to Minute No. 3803 that he had been unable to find offices suitable to the requirements of the Company, that Mr Hunter had offered the continuance of the tenancy of the present Offices at £200 per year inclusive of rates and taxes. Resolved that the consideration of this Offer be deferred till next Meeting.

3835 *Dividend - information required by Stock Exchange*

Read letter dated 12th inst. from Mr Slaughter, Secretary of the Railway Department of the Stock Exchange asking to be informed the amount of the dividend to be declared at the General Meeting and stating that "it is the general custom with public Companies to "forward official intimation of their dividends as soon as agreed "upon to his Department for the information of members of the "Stock Exchange". Ordered that the information asked be supplied by the Secretary.

[Signed] F John Law