

Read hereafter in respect of those three being admitted to the Association in the event of the number being so increased — Resolved that in the event of the John Kentish Town, and City Omnibuses being admitted to the Association the arrangement be agreed to — that it be referred to Mr. McNamee and the Secretary to arrange the matter.

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Read and omnibus lines
Sunday Rest Society
appointed to receive
deputation.

Read letter dated 10th inst. from the Honorary Secretary of the Lab and Omnibus Men's Sunday Rest Society asking for the deputation from the Society to be received on 14th inst. instead of on 10th inst. as previously appointed — Resolved that the appointment be made for 2 past 2 o'clock on 14th inst.

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Chief Officer
agreement for further
summing to be sealed.

The Secretary reported that he could not arrange with Mess. Henderson for the continuance of the tenancy of the Office of Garrick Street, for less than £200 for one year further — the original agreement with Henderson to that effect was submitted, and Ordered to be completed by the affixing of the Company's Seal.

J. John, Secy.

General Board

17th April 1863

Present Mr. Law in the Chair
Mr. Latham Mr. Mackell
Mr. Annan Mr. McNamee
Mr. Laver

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Read Minutes of Meeting
on 10th inst. — the same were confirmed.

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Read Minutes of Accounts
and Finance Committee ^{on 10th inst.} — The same were confirmed and adopted.

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Read Minutes of Meeting of
Executive Council on 11th inst. - the same were
confirmed and adopted.

Read Statement of Horses and
Proceeds purchased, and Horses sold during week
ending 12th inst. - It appeared therefrom that the
Society possessed 6470 horses at that time, that at
the same period of 1862 they had 6326, that during
the week 9 were purchased for \$246, that the pur-
chases in the corresponding week of 1862 were eight
for \$227, that 20 Carcasses were sold for \$55.50 and
20 living horses for \$120.00; that no Cabs, 2403
loads of Hay and Clover at \$3.80 and 14534 loads
of Straw at \$1.12 1/2 were purchased, that the prices
in the corresponding week of 1862 were for Cabs
\$1.20 1/2 for Hay and Clover \$4.10 and for
Straw \$1.16 1/2.

In reference to the weekly
allowance of wages made to Allingworth timekeeper
as Blackwell, notwithstanding his inability to
discharge his duties consequently on his having fallen
and broken his leg while on duty on 28th of Nov^r
last, the Secretary submitted Certificate from W^m
Edlin, House Surgeon at St. Bartholomew's Hospi-
tal to the effect that he would be unfit for active
work for 3 or 4 weeks further - Resolved that
the wages be continued for 4 weeks further, and
that the matter be then again considered.

Read Memorial from
the Cab and Omnibus Men's Sunday Rest Society,
urging the arrangement of the services of the Society,
so that the men might have more relief from duty
on Sundays - A deputation consisting of J. Webb,
Gurney, Moore, McGregor, Girdlestone, Langley,
Dillett, Hart, Carter, and Charley attended, and
urged the expediency of compliance with the
prayer of the Memorial - Resolved that the order
for Drivers, and Conductors be allowed when
desired by them to rest on Sundays - be reprinted
and posted in each of the Society's establishments
and that directions be given to the Foremen to carry

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Cab and Omnibus
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Stamping of Shares of the Paris Committee on 13th inst. — Resolved that Certificates of Dividends paid the Paris Directors be informed with reference to the reasons for non-adoption of stamping of the Share Certificates on payment of Dividends, that the original sanction gives to that measure, was founded on consideration to be altogether inapplicable with respect to English Shareholders, that of the 604 present English Holders 3148 only reside in London, the remaining 256 being residents in the provinces and many in Ireland and Scotland — that many Complaints are already made by the English Shareholders of the Dividends not being sent to them by post, without explanation, such being the general practice of English Companies, as the legally recognisable owners of the Dividends are those only who are on the Share Register at the time of declaration of Dividend, that the majority of English Shareholders have their Certificates deposited in Paris at their Bankers or Agents, and in order to prevent them at the Office, it would be requisite for persons residing in the Country to make a special journey to London to get the documents, and present them at the Office, that to enforce such a regulation if legally enforceable indeed would create the greatest dissatisfactions and operate very materially to the prejudices of the value of the Shares — that for these reasons the Board cannot consent to its adoption — Resolved also that the Paris Directors be recommended that there can arise no difficulty in regard to the title to the dividend if the legal position of the matter be explained, and no payment be made to any other than the registered holder except on clear proof of better title, such as that the Paris Directors, required on the occasion of many payments made on account of the 1861 Dividend — that they be also reminded that henceforth all sales of the Shares of the Company will be by dividend and that therefore many of the present English holders may possibly dispose of their certificates without selling the dividend how due on share

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shares, not but any claim to the dividend based only
on the future provision of the dividend Certificate would
be invalid, and on the other hand if the registered holder
were then required to produce the certificate in order
to get his dividend, he not having received it prior
to selling the shares he would be unable to do so —
that the simple recognition of possession of certificate
hereafter with an undated transfer would lead to
payments being made to improper persons.

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Read letter dated 14th inst.
From Mr. Smith requesting reconsideration of
provision of 15 per cent. his application for allowance towards the expense
of a special Convoasser (vide Minutes No. 3925
of last Meeting) — Resolved that a commission
of 15 percent be allowed on all net receipts by the
Company above £2000 a year from the Advertising
business.

3939

Read letter dated 16th inst.
from Mr. Bradfield with Account for £45.8.6
for expenses stated to have been incurred by him in
connexion with the deputation to the Chancellor of
the Exchequer on the subject of the Mileage duties,
asking payment of the amount by the Company.
— Resolved that the matter be referred to the Accounts
and Finance Committee.

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In reference to Minute
No. 3917 of last Meeting it was Ordered to be
recorded for the information of the Paris Committee
that in his budget for the current year as placed before
the House of Commons on 16th inst. the Chancellor
of the Exchequer had not proposed to give any relief
to the London Omnibus Proprietors from any part
of the Mileage duties, although he had proposed to
impose half duties upon stage Carriages carrying
not more than eight passengers, so including Carriers
cars a class of vehicles, conveying passengers, hitherto
free from duty, and to alter in some degree the
duties on Railway receipts, two matters to which
attention was strongly urged in the Company's
memorial — Mr. Bradfield attended to confer as
to the further measures if any to be taken in the

Mileage Duties

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matter, and suggested an amendment in the motion of the Chairman for the omission of the word "which shall be constructed to convey not more than eight passengers at one time" so that the half-dies might be applicable to all omnibuses instead of those carrying eight passengers. Resolved that Mr. Bradfield be instructed to get the amendment moved in the House, and take such other measures by publication in the "News-papers", and by Circulars as may be requisite, to support the matter, and that he be authorized to incur an expenditure of not exceeding £60 therein.

3941
Horse purchasing
direction to Mr. Dixon
as to age, price &c.

Resolved that instructions be given to Mr. Dixon, the Horse-buyer, not to purchase in future any horse, exceeding 14 years of age, nor less than 5, nor to pay for any one a price exceeding £30 including expenses of delivery in London. That he be also informed that the Board prefer North or West Country horses to any others, as in their opinion they are more suitable for, and lasting in Omnibus work.

J. John, Secy.

General Board

24th April 1863

Present Mr. Law in the Chair

Mr. Sullivan Mr. Law
" Martelli " Arncliffe
" Mr. W. C. Hammond

3942
Read Minutes of Meeting of
17th inst. The same were confirmed.

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Read Minutes of Meeting
of the Paris Committee on 22nd inst. Resolved
in reference to the proposed requirement of pro-
vision of the share certificates prior to payment
of (Dividend), that the Paris Directors be reminded
that the practice with most Companies in France

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