

General Board

2nd January 1863

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

3706 Read Minutes of Meeting on 26th ult. the same were confirmed.

3707 *Law Costs – Paris Com. urge taxation of Mess. Wilkinson and Co's Bill. Board willing to refer settlement to Paris Com.*

Lost Shares – 743 to be purchased

Read Minutes of Meeting of the Paris Committee urging the taxation of the Bill of Mess. Wilkinson and Co, and also the purchase of 743 shares to replace those lost by the Company (vide Minute No. 3638 of 21st November 1862) Resolved that in the opinion of the Board this it is very desirable to avoid a rupture with Messrs. Wilkinson and Co. especially after they have conducted the Arbitration to a successful issue, and as in the opinion of Mr Martelli there is but little hope of any sensible reduction equal to the cost thereof being affected by official taxation, as the charges appear generally to be within the legal scale allowed by the Courts - that the Board are quite as anxious as their Paris colleagues to effect any saving that can be wisely made - that the Board will be happy to refer Mess. Wilkinson and Co to the Paris Committee for settlement of their claim, if they will undertake the arrangement of the matter. Resolved that an order be given to Mr Lizielli [?] to purchase the shares in question at a price of not exceeding 1 ½.

3708 Read Minutes of Meeting of Accounts and Finance Committee on 1st inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

3709 Read Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee on 1st inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

3710 Read Statement of Provender purchased and Horses sold during week ending 28th ult. It appeared therefrom that the Company possessed 6661 horses at that time, that the number owned by them at the

corresponding period of 1861 was 6402, that during the week none were purchased, that the purchases in the corresponding week of 1861 were 13 for £341, that 25 carcasses were sold for £ 44,, 15,, 0 and 11 living horses for £ 38,, 2,, 6, that no Oats, 60 $\frac{3}{4}$ loads of Hay and Clover at £ 3,, 18,, 5, and 114 $\frac{1}{2}$ loads of Straw at £ 1,, 13,, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ were purchased, that the prices in the corresponding week of 1861 were for Oats proportionate to their weight £ 1,, 3,, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$, for Hay and Clover £ 4,, 6,, 5, and for Straw £ 1,, 11,, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ yielding up by comparison of prices of Oats Hay and Clover and Straw (Oats being taken at the price in previous week) a difference in favor of the current year equal to £ 383, on the average weekly consumption of the Company.

3711 *Horse Buyer - applications submitted - certain applicants to attend.*

A List of applications for the appointment of Horse Buyer made in answer to Advertisements inserted in the Newspapers (vide Minute No. 3681 of 12 Decr.) together with the letters from the several parties were submitted. Resolved that Mess. Dixon, Packham, Ingarfield and Morley be invited to attend the next Meeting of the Board in reference to their applications.

3712 *Metropolitan Railway will open 10th Jany.*

Read letter dated 1st inst. from the Manager of the Metropolitan Railway announcing the intended opening for public traffic on 10th inst.

3713 *Accident (passenger fell from Omnibus No. 7113) - verdict "Accidental Death"*

Read letter dated 1st inst. from Mr. Parker stating that the verdict of the Jury at the Inquest on the body of the person who fell from Omnibus No. 7113 (vide Minute No. 1698 of Executive Committee on 1st inst.) was "Accidental Death".

3714 *Mr French's salary increased to £200 per annum*

Resolved that the salary of Mr French the Manager of the North Eastern District, and Veterinary Surgeon be increased from £182 to £200 per annum beginning from 1st inst.

[Signed] F John Law