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# Minutes of Meeting

held at St. Great George Street Westminster, S.W. on  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 1899 at 3.30 o'clock.

## Present.

Sir Henry Oakley in the Chair,

Lord Colville of Culhoo, M.P.

Sir Francis Knollys, M.P., M.C.M.S.

Hon. Algernon H. Mills.

Lord Rathmore.

Henry Tennant Esq.

Sir Benjamin Baker, Engineer, Mr. Park Davis, Solicitor

and Mr. R. Graham, Secretary

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and  
Confirmed.

The Engineers Report No. 32. was read and  
ordered to be recorded.

Engineers Office

2 Queen Square Place. S.W.

4 October 1899

## Engineers Report

To the Chairman & Directors  
of the Central London Railway.

Gentlemen.

The whole of the Electrical equipment at the Generating  
Station has now been delivered with the exception of one  
Main Engine Shaft. The four Exciting Engines have still to  
be erected and the Main Engines require their fittings, but the  
steam pipes are complete and the 16 Boilers have all been tested  
with satisfactory results, and I have been fitted with mechanical  
stokers. It is hoped that before the end of this month at  
least 4 Boilers will be under steam.



Engineers Report  
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Good progress has been made with the Electric Locomotives. They are all delivered and 22 erected.

The difficulty in obtaining delivery of station has been very great and progress on the station buildings has been much delayed in consequence; it has also prevented the completion of the lift machinery at the Post Office, Chancery Lane, and Marble Arch. At the other stations except Davis Street, the progress is fairly good and at Botting Hill Gate the oak panelling is being fixed to the lift cars.

The permanent way has now been laid throughout from Shepherd's Bush to the Bank, but  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the concreting remains to be done. The Contractors are working at this day and night.

At the Bank  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Public Subways are tiled and plastered, and it is proposed to open all the staircases except those in front of the Royal Exchange for the use of the Waterloo & City Company some time this month, retaining so much of the public subway as is required for the completion of the Central London Railway Rooking Hall and Lifts.

As regards the work still remaining to be done, the chief items are the platforms, the staircases, the signalling arrangements, the laying of the cables & 3<sup>rd</sup> rail, the completion of the substations and the station buildings, and the tilting of Chancery Lane & the Bank. These works are being pushed forward as every available point.

The Ashbury Wagon Company have completed 4 trains of 7 carriages and our inspectors report that a large number of other carriages are in hand at the works and also at the Brush Company works at Loughborough.

We are, Gentlemen

Yours faithfully

W. Fowler & Baker

Progress of the  
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Financial  
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Loans to firms  
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for certain stations; the next meeting of the Board should be held in a fortnight time - the 18<sup>th</sup> inst, when the Engineers were to report specially upon the progress of the undertaking and to say when the completion of the work may be expected.

Financial Statement

The following Cash Statement was submitted and ordered to be recorded.

Cash Statement at October, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1899

Receipt on Share &c. £ 2883,733. 11.4  
Expenditure 2586,019. 14.8

Available Balance £ 267,683. 16.8

Mansion House Deposit &c £ 30,000  
Loans A. Riedemann & Co 70,000  
J. Motys, Ritchard & Co 10,000  
9,990<sup>79</sup>  
less Discount Co 138,925<sup>14</sup>  
258,915. 4.1

Credit Balance per Pass Book £ 8768. 12.7

Loans to firms  
on the Stock  
Exchange &  
others  
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The Secretary reported that the following sums, being part of the proceeds of the bill due on September 1<sup>st</sup>, had been loaned on the Stock Exchange, i.e. interest based guaranteeing the company against loss for a Commission of one half per cent. -

Messrs A. Riedemann & Co £ 70,000  
" J. Motys, Ritchard & Co £ 20,000

The Company Bankers have also bought from the Union Discount Company £ 40,000 highest Treasury Bills due January 6<sup>th</sup> 1900 @ 3% discount, and £ 100,000 India Government Treasury Bills due December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1899 at 3 1/2% discount - £ 138,925. 1.4.



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Application from  
National Telephone  
Company to place  
cables in the  
tunnels.

The following application from the National Telephone Company asking for permission to place their cables in the Central London Campango tunnels was read:-

National Telephone Company Ltd.

3. St Andrews Street &  
11. August 1899.

2. Sir Henry Oakley  
16. Great George Street S.W.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> inst. The Company has not at present a license for 25 years as far as London is concerned, and I cannot definitely state that this will be so. Of course our license at present runs to 1911.

I should be prepared to recommend my Company as a maximum to pay you an annual rental of £50 per mile per cable not exceeding 3" diameter, and of course the other items mentioned in your letter.

Yours faithfully

W. C. B. Clay  
Metropolitan District

3. St Andrews Street &  
16. August 1899

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> inst., the cables which we should desire to put into your tunnels at once would be two or three from Westbourne Park to Tottenham Court Road, two cables from Tottenham Court Road to Chancery Lane, and four from the Bank to Chancery Lane, and there is little doubt if this way has been granted that we shall soon occupy all the space which you propose to give us.

Yours faithfully  
W. C. B. Clay  
Metropolitan District

National  
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Balance of  
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S<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Baker said to had discussed  
the matter with the Telephone Company's Engineer, and there  
was no electrical or physical difficulty in the way.

The Chairman suggested that the Telephone  
Company should be allowed to place this cable in the  
tunnels of satisfactory terms could be arranged, which  
was approved.

Balance of  
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£35.

The Secretary reported that there was a  
balance of £30,000 still remaining invested in Consols  
to the order of the City Corporation as a fund for the completion  
of the Bank Station and Subways. The Chairman  
stated that the Engineers had anticipated for work done at  
the Bank to the extent of £65,083, but owing to the fall in  
the price of Consols he recommended that no steps should  
be taken at present for the release of any portion of the  
£30,000, which was agreed to.

Darwin Street  
Station  
frontage

The following letter approving on behalf of the  
Duke of Westminster the elevation of Davies Street Station  
was read and ordered to be recorded.

The Grosvenor Office  
Davies Street W.  
19. August 1899.

Dear Sir,

Central London Railway

In reply to your letter of the 10<sup>th</sup> inst, which  
has been laid before the Duke of Westminster's  
Board Meeting, we are instructed to inform you that  
under the circumstances which you mention, the Duke  
of Westminster will have no objection to the elevation of  
the Station as submitted.

Yours truly  
Signed Roubek Hafford & Co

The Secretary reported that Mr. Charles Aldington  
who was appointed Traffic Superintendent at the last Board  
Meeting commenced his duties on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> October.



Cheques drawn  
since last  
meeting.

The following list of cheques drawn since last meeting of the Board was submitted and approved.

Name	Particulars	Loans	Expenditure
Secretary & Clerks	August Salaries		73 8
Ashurst Morris & Co.,	Deposit - 548 Quid. St.		4500
do	"		2700
Petty Cash	"		10
Westminster Hotel	Use of Room		2 10
A. Bredemann & Co.,	Loan	50,000	
Rep. Mells & Co.,	Repayment of loan		100,000
Electric Traction Co.,	Re. 1/2 of Contract		37,527 9
Rep. Mells & Co.,	Repayment of loan		23,000
J. Moberg, Ditchard & Co.,	Loan	10,000	
do	do	9,990 2 9	
A. Bredemann & Co.,	do	20,000	
Union Discount Co.,	do	138,925 14	
Electric Traction Co.,	Re. 1/2 of Contract		24,314 13
A. B. Lindsay	Salary		12 10
St. West Basel	Commission on Guarantee		5 10 1
Lord Northmore	Call Overpaid		9 0
Fellner & Co.,	do		6
M. S. Harker	do		65
St. Henry Oakley	Direction		604 3 4
St. Francis Knolly	do		60 8 4
Lord Colville	do		60 8 4
Thos. A. H. Mills	do		60 8 4
Lord Rathamore	do		60 8 4
Henry Leman & Co.,	do		60 8 4
Secretary & Clerks.	September Salaries		61 5

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Accounts  
for payment

The following list of Accounts for payment was  
submitted and ordered to be paid.

Name	Particulars	Amount
Richman & Coy	Professional Services	115 13 1
'Transport'	Reporting Meeting	5 15 6
J. George & Co. Chambers	Revt to	119
Jumbly & Co		3 5 5
Sheel & Coy	Advertising	10 13 6
Holloway & Co - 20th Apr	Rates & Taxes	7 3
do - 11th Mar	do	34 13 11
Hammer & Smith & Co	do	2 15 4
Edgington & Co	do	61 7 2
Tarrington Ward	do	28 18 8
do Street Casual	Commissions	18 9 10
		£ 407 12 8

Documents  
Sealed

The following list of documents sealed since last  
meeting of the Board was submitted and approved.

Name	Description	Date of Sealing
J. J. & W. J. Rope	Warrant to Sheriff	8. August
	Three Certificates	22 "
	do	6 September
	do	14 "
	do	27 "

H. D. B. Kelly  
Chairman.