

AFTERNOON SESSION, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 1911.

Meeting called to order at 3 p.m., all members present, excepting Brother D. Campbell, including the General Chairman and Grand Lodge officers.

The General Chairman reported having a conference with Mr. Murphy, General Superintendent of Transportation, at which time the several questions under consideration were discussed with him.

Regarding the violation of schedules, Mr. Murphy stated in effect, that schedules were binding on the officers of the Company as well as on the men, and that the schedules did protect the men, quoting the rest clause as an illustration, saying that if a man refused to go out when entitled to rest he could not be disciplined, and that it was the intention of the Company that schedules be lived up to.

Regarding the use of the telephone, Mr. Murphy requested a copy of the letter received from Mr. Bury, General Manager of Western Lines, which had been accepted by the Committee as a disposition of the question on Western Lines, saying he would write us on the question.

When the questions of the efficiency tests and the Faught case were introduced, Mr. Murphy called the office of the Vice-President, and Mr. McNicol came to the office of Mr. Murphy. After some discussion of the matter, Mr. McNicol stated that it was the purpose of the Company to use employees in making efficiency tests, and that Faught would not be reinstated. The Chairman advised the officers of the Company that their decisions would be dealt with by the Committee.

Brothers Chester and Cobb retired to the office of Mr. Murphy, in the hope of getting letter promised by him regarding the use of telephones. On their return, at 4.30, they reported that Mr. Murphy's office was closed.

Moved by Brothers Cobb and Harrison, that meeting adjourn until 9.30 a.m. Monday. Carried.

Adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

MONTREAL, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 1911.

Meeting called to order at 9.30 a.m., all members present excepting Brother D. Campbell, of the O. R. T., and S. N. Berry, of the O. R. C.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Brothers Chester and Cobb retired to the office of Mr. Murphy to get letter promised by him on telephone question.

Moved by Bros. Ball and Kennedy, that Brother Murdock, the Chairman and Secretary be a committee to draft letters on matters of appeal to the President, subject to the approval of the Committee. Carried.

Brothers Chester and Cobb returned with the following letter.

Montreal, 13th November, 1911.

W. G. Chester, Esq.,

Chairman, Order of Railway Conductors,

Montreal

Dear Sir.—Conductors will only be required to take train orders direct from train dispatchers in cases of emergency or where trains are liable to be unduly delayed at points where there are no telegraph operators.

Yours truly,

(Signed) C. MURPHY.

Moved by Bros. Wark and Kennedy, that Mr. Murphy be advised that his letter of to-day in connection with the use of the telephone is not satisfactory and that the matter will be taken in appeal to higher officers of the Company. Carried.

Moved by Bros. Wark and McGovern, that a letter be drafted embodying our views on the question of the use of the telephone; the verbal statement of Mr. Murphy and a copy of letter received from him on the question. Also a copy of the letter received from Mr. Bury, General Manager of Western Lines, which was accepted as a disposition of the