

APPENDIX No. 5

Q. Yes, but just a moment there, how is it that your railway report only shows that—in 1907 you said they had 985 refrigerator cars, and the statement I have from that report, as I understand it, is that in 1908 there were 955?

A. That report, Mr. Armstrong, is for the fiscal year. Our figures are for the calendar year to the end of December.

Q. I am not disputing your figures for 1907, but I am giving the figures I have received. They are as follows: 1908, 955; 1909, 949; 1910, 947; 1911, 944; 1912, 941. Now these are Grand Trunk figures. You may add Grand Trunk Pacific cars to this statement, but that would hardly be a fair proposition, would it?

A. I can give the figures separately if you want them in that shape. I am not saying it is fair or unfair, but I am giving these as the total number of the cars which the Grand Trunk Company actually have at their disposal. It is true that a certain number of cars have been built for the Grand Trunk Pacific, but, as you know, there is little work for these cars in the West except in hauling through traffic from the East. They are being used in the East, and going from the East to the West and coming back. They are to all intents and purposes Grand Trunk cars although they were built for the Grand Trunk Pacific. In estimating the number of cars that the Grand Trunk have at the disposal of shippers I think it is only fair to the Company to include the Grand Trunk Pacific cars.

Q. That may be your way.

A. I can give the cars separately if you wish. Let me then give the number of cars by the calendar years

GRAND TRUNK.

1907.. . . . .	985
1908.. . . . .	976
1909.. . . . .	1,023
1910.. . . . .	1,221
1911.. . . . .	1,218
1912.. . . . .	1,450

Q. You are giving the Grand Trunk separately from the Grand Trunk Pacific, are you?

A. I am going now to give the number of cars of the Grand Trunk Pacific:

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

1909.. . . . .	50
1910.. . . . .	250
1911.. . . . .	250
1912.. . . . .	250

So that the net number for the Grand Trunk for the calendar year 1912, after deducting 250 Grand Trunk Pacific cars, is 1,200.

Q. Why does the report only give 941?

A. Which report?

Q. The Railway Companies returns.

A. That we have?

Q. The returns from which these figures I have quoted came.

A. I do not know.

Q. According to my figures the Grand Trunk had less cars in 1912 than they had in 1907.

A. My figures do not bear that out.

Mr. RUDDICK.—The explanation of that is that the figures which Mr. J. L. Payne furnishes are for the fiscal year, and the Company built 400 cars during the summer