

Q And, up to the month of May that is during 1906 and 1907, you succeeded in getting several increases in wages?

A Yes.

Q Some of which were brought about as a result of demands made by you, and some of them were anticipated by the company, just as you described this morning?

A Yes.

Q And, from the general tenor of your evidence, I understand that up to the month of May you had no complaints to make as regards your treatment by the company?

WITNESS In regard to the way the Federation was used by the Authorities?

COUNSEL There was no necessity for any commission to enquire into the matter. The situation was as satisfactory as you would expect under the circumstances?

A I do not say there was no friction of any kind. That would be going too far.

Q I mean there was nothing more than would be ordinarily expected in an industry of that sort?

A There was some trouble, sometimes.

Q The officers of the Union were always met by the officers of the company, and the matter was discussed?

A In a general way, yes.

Q Now, that brings us up to the month of May, this year?

A We might say that the friction started since that