

between the department and the railway company having nothing whatever to do with him. He is the simple appointee of the department in the terms of his engagement and it is to the department only that he has to look.

You must arrange the matter in some way with him as we could not at all go on in this way.

Yours truly,

JOHN LOWE.

Secretary of Department of Agriculture.

WINDSOR, 21st February, 1883.

SIR,—I usually sent in my account to be certified to by the department of agriculture for my salary as inspector of United States cattle at this port about this time every month, but I will not do so for the present month until the dispute in reference to the allowance for night and Sunday work, which has been referred to Professor Smith, has been settled.

In reference to the reasons given by the railway company for refusing to pay me the same as the others are being paid for Sunday and night work, I will say that previous to the amalgamation of the Great Western Railway and the Grand Trunk Railway, and before permission was given to inspect at night, that the Great Western Railway authorities sent Mr. McFadyean and Dow to me to know what I would take and pass the stock at any time of night, and said to me that the other inspectors were doing so. I replied that when I got permission from the government I would do so, and then it would be time enough to consider what such extra work would be worth. Now, that permission has been given, the Grand Trunk Railway authorities, who now control the Great Western Railway, refuse to pay me the same as they are now (and, as I understand, were) paying their inspectors previous to permission being given to pass stock at night, at least before I got permission to do so.

I have endeavoured to discharge my duties honestly to the government, and to facilitate in every way the business of the railway company, and I feel that I am being unfairly treated by the government by their refusing to see me paid the same as other inspectors, and we are not any too well paid at \$1,800 per annum, considering that we are required to be on hand night and day.

I have explained the matter to Mr. Ingle, and he will confer with the department.

Yours respectfully.

J. B. WRIGHT.

WINDSOR, 1st August, 1883.

Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, I beg leave to say as the Canada Southern and the Great Western division of the Grand Trunk Railway is each to have its own stock inspector, the recent arrangements having been rescinded and the previous ones restored, that I must again press my claim to be paid the same salary as inspector for the Great Western division of the Grand Trunk Railway, as is paid to the inspector for the Grand Trunk Railway and Canada Southern Railway lines. I have from the first only received in addition to the salary fixed by the government (\$1,000 per annum) but \$200 for extra night and Sunday work, making in all \$1,200 per annum. The difficulty has arisen in reference to the allowance for night work, the \$200 at first being intended for Sunday day work. When I made the arrangement with the authorities of the Great Western Railways (previous to its becoming part of the Grand Trunk Railway) to do the Sunday work for \$200 per annum, they asked me what I would take and pass the stock at night, and said that the inspectors for the Grand Trunk and Canada Southern Railways were doing so. I replied that when I had permission from the government to do so, it would be then time enough to consider what it would be worth. When