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Nigerian Railway Guards' Working Links

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It is understood that there is a range of Working Links prepared in a numerical order, by the District Traffic Superintendent of the Nigerian Railway, for the guidance, observance and compliance of either the Traffic Inspector or the Senior Station Masters who may be responsible for the detailing of guards both at Iddo and Ibadan for their respective duties. It may also be observed that the purpose for which these Links are intended to serve is to regulate the working of guards in a rotational order, notwithstanding the merit or demerit of any senior guard.

But it is very much surprising to note that the condition of the Links is not properly adhered to at Ibadan, a condition which is not at all necessary to have come in on the face of the well-prepared Links. Such a concession, usually given certain senior guards to be permanent Travelling Ticket Collectors, and the respective terms of other guards are always altered. Such condition does not obtain at Iddo where the same Link is in operation; there, many senior and most senior guards abound, and the idea of allowing one guard—whether senior or not—to remain a permanent Travelling Ticket Collector, appeared to have been properly weighed before these Working Links were prepared.

According to our investigation, it was revealed that there is no difference between Guards and Travelling Ticket Collectors, as they both come under the same designation "Guards" and that their employment is not confusable to any particular train whatsoever. It is also understood that the duty of a guard can be changed from that of Travelling Ticket Collector to that of a Guard, should there be a report from the Train Inspecting Officer to the effect that unbooked passengers were found in his train.

But in our opinion, it is a different view in that since provision has been made for

a book of Excess Fare Receipts (as it is generally called) supplied to Travelling Ticket Collectors, to be issued on train to any unbooked passenger. The finding again of unbooked passenger or passengers on the train of any Travelling Ticket Collector could, on the face of that book, not constitute an offence which deserves the punishment of a change of work, since guards are entitled to be employed on any kind of train in any capacity within the realm of the Railway. Unless there is a regulation that provides the specified average percentage of unbooked passengers necessary to be found on any passenger train (if determinable) in which case any number found exceeding the approved average may be viewed with the necessary punishment on the Travelling Ticket Collector concerned, but not with a change of work.

If the purpose of the Guards Working Links is to regulate the working of Guards in allotting to them their respective duties in a rotational manner and also in order to avoid any confusion of a want of guard to work any train, we see no reason why the principle of seniority should be allowed to dominate at certain quarters. In our own opinion, it may be inferred that if the principle of seniority were to dominate, it would have been properly considered by the District Traffic Superintendent while preparing these Links.

But if it be desired now by certain quarters, it should be made known through the proper channel to the authority concerned, believing that it would find a way into the Links; but, in that case, the senior or most senior guards should be entitled to be detailed as guards in charge of all passenger trains for the purpose of supervising the Travelling Ticket Collector and the passengers, as it is the case with most of the European Head Guards, who stand

at parity with the Captains of a ship, under whom the Chiefmate is a subordinate.

In the same way, the Travelling Ticket Collector is supposed to be under the Guard in charge of a passenger Train. We therefore wonder how a senior guard can be under a junior one. In view of this, the rotational working should range right round the guards in their respective order of seniority and there would be no more confusion in their respective shifts.

In view of the foregoing, we trust the Railway authority will see that the working Links on these points are duly observed.

Methodist Agbeni Church

CHORIR

The Sacred Cantata, entitled "The Man of Sorrows" rendered last Good Friday by the Choristers of Methodist Agbeni Church, was a great success. The Chairman for the occasion, (Olu Alaiyelewa, Tax QM of Iru who, owing to unavoidable circumstance could not be present, had deputed Mr. D. A. Oluwa, Manager and Proprietor of Hary Press and Editor, Yoruba News to represent him on the occasion. Among the supporters were Chief Salami Agboje, Mr. O. L. Lawoye, Mr and Mrs. W. Quartey and others.

The opening exercises and introduction of the chairman and supporters were carried out by the Rev. N. A. B. John, Senior Pastor of the organisation.

The Cantata which was ably conducted was attended by a large crowd of worshippers, who filled the beautiful edifice to overflowing, whilst many who could not secure seats within the building were content to stand outside, enjoying the proceedings through the window and door openings.

At the same time, the name of the royal chairman, Olu Alaiyelewa, AGBENI I. THE QM of Iru, as advertised by posters, had acted as a magnet that attracted many others whose sole object was to secure a glimpse of the august personage.

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tau ba loyoye se oyo ile Jamani
iya, i ba k' zè pe oun akan ni
won o fi ise ni fun ga bi ?

I lo wa z' aye labe ni ? I ti ohan
e se ti ko je ki into awon Ijaba
gogbo ti o wa ninu Igbimo awon
ele-ede le papa, ekan nipa Iya ti
ba ni ki won si je Irala nitari
on osho ati iwa osho ni Mousalim
ni mo-ogun won lo hir si ile Ijaba
papa ni yi.

Nwon ni :
"A ko mo ayi' l'è yio se o,
"Ko koje ki a je yo."

E l'ari alai mo eyiti Jamani yio se
ko ti je ki awon Ijaba gogbo ti o
e ninu Igbimo awon Orile-ede ko-
Irala fun iwa afogbi, Afagbadi, iwa
"le-mu ni" ti Mousalim Apase
e won lo ba si Ijaba k'apin akan
ni awon egiye Igbimo awon Ori-
ede kauna ti awon mejèji lo wa bi
oye-eyo.

Jamani ati Itali je se adehun spiri
"Kin mi l'ehin, ki'm'ko e l'ehin.
Oha mi l'ehin, ki'm' e gba l'ajo."

I lo mo eyiti awon mejèji ase yi
E jeki a ti bi iwa kiyasi ohan,
"ba ranti igbati Mousalim ti Irala
je lo ba firrasa ni Jamani fir re
ko kan l'egin, se k'oni oha kan
o mo ero ti nwon je gba nigbati
yon pade ?

Se si tun ni isipe yi ti HIRAN
e oyo ofarafa lati fir re Jamani
e pade Mousalim ni w'ek'èni kan
ni agbani Okun MENTERRAN,
ba k'oni w'ek'èni ni awon Apase
epe yi, ati o mo iwa adehun ti
e se je se ni lo ? Nwon ni :

"O je Gade, ko je Gade ?
O l'awa mo je ti iro."

E l'èhan egiye se adehun spiri kan
berin awon mejèji.

E si ba si tun ranti igbati Igbimo
on Orile-ede ni e ayeiya ti o to
e Irala nitari iwa osho ati iwa osho
nwon h'è si Ijaba ETIOPIA, ti awon
oro ati je Itali ayeja lo awon roko
masi k'è pe oun ko ni ba won lo-
y'è si : nipa bayi ni ko jeki won
e'è oun ati kapa Mousalim, Apase
ALA, ti i di ba a ti akawe yi.

Eyi o tile wa burajo nihi oyo
e b'òd'òyan iwa-oye s'è yi ni ti awon
e TENKAT ti a ope ni Tatambala
e lo aade larin epe yi pe : awon
ko omo-ogun si eun bode lu won,
D. D. BARRELLA, nihi si fi won
bon egiye g'èrun g'èrun si ninu Ogun
e k'èye ti agun odun ti o rekoja
b'èni itari ki o ma tun si eun Ija-
e ni Igbimo awon Orile-ede kauna
ganu pe ki TENKAT ko omo-ogun
se nihi nigbati ogun e k'èye ten
awon e je adehun ila.

Kol ti pari.

K' O MĀ DAN.

GRAND OUNY T. NOLA KY NI WANI
LARI OYO
Dogo Yaro.

Nigbati a wo iwa s'ida ti opolopo
awon odomokunrin ati awon odomo-
birin wa isiki n'è ni o na igbati
siye awon, ni o mo kiki iwa k'è-
ye wa, a si ni ero pe yio je is'èti
fun opolopo won.

Ninu sanjoji ti a wa n'isiyi, a le
ri pe opolopo awon odomokunrin ti a
ti aia niyawa fun awon odomokunrin
oko won, awon ti o si ye pe ki won
wa ninu ile oko won na tati di oyo
oni, ni awon ti fi ile oko na egi-
e a si le ma ri won kakiri igboro l'oji
t'è lai si ero pe ki won ni ile kan
sina siye nitari g'èni-ola.

Ohan ti o je pe o wa si ero ohan
won se-a ni ayi, wiye'è ati rira ni
ojofofo, ati efun [POWERS] ni fi fi
kun oja ati Salubata (SANDAL) ni
wiye'è ni ojofofo, eyiti o ti di oha
dida ni arin won bayi pe :

"K' O Ma Dan"

ni awon mo. Nwon gbagbe pe,
"Ki ise gbagbo ohan ti ndan ni wura,"
ati pe melo ni i'èni yio la ninu oyo
iyo ?

Opolopo ninu awon odomokunrin won-
yi ti won ba je Iya ree ninu ile
oko won ni ero "Ko ma dan," nipa
pe ki won je ra ayi titun ti o seede
ati bata titun ti o seede ni o ti mo
di agbode g'èni ohan. Nwon ko ni
ero pe ise l'a se si a to ni ohan gbo-
gbo loyo, ati pe is'èti ni i'èni l'egun
chunkehan ni aye yi. Gbogbo ero
tiwon s'èni ni pe ki awon dabi Janette
t'èni S'èni o ti wo ile oko lati odun
mewa t'èni i'èni egiye. Ni oyo, nipa
bayi bi ohan ninu won ba fi Temu
s'èni l'èni, a si fe John lola, pe, boya
oni le ri egi'è ayi eira ni ojofofo ko
lojo John ju Temu lo.

Nigbati, odo John si la sawe s'èje
fun a ju odo Temu ti o ti wa ri lo,
ang'èni nigbati o ba se, z'èjeji a ti
mo pe "Igba ki lo bi urere" ati pe ko
si ohan ti ndan ti ki si akan, John
ti o ti agbe g'èni a tun pade di "Alajo",
igbani ni odoje yi a ma wa so pe :
"Nko le duro da "Olorun ferè se"
"Olorun ti se e" ni mo nwa.

Nigbati o ba ri i pe oun ko ri inkan
"Ma je" lojo Temu ati John ayi,
a wa di e'èni o ma haye ile fun rare,
kakiri l'èni igbati o ba ti lo ara re fi
ilokulo ten, a ma wa fi ig'èni-èni
kiri se : Oun nwa oyo ati egiye on
yio joko ti : O gbagbe owa awon h'èni
wa o ti o wa bayi pe. "Igbèni ni
ndan oloko s'èni e." Ati pe o je ti
oun ila ti ise nigbati o'èni on ti
oro.

Ni opolopo l'èni ni a ma s'èje pe
oni nina awon odo odomokunrin wa
wonji ni o ma oyo won si o'èni
nipa pe ki won ma ma fi fi won
mole ninu ile oko won. Ni igbati
e'èni ni ma je pe awon odomokunrin
wonji s'èje a ma p'èni fun awon odo
won, pe ohan ti o ba won won ni
awon o se : agbawo, agbawo, ohan
ti o wa won ni s'èje on a si pade di
igbati ero won loyo.

Opolopo ninu awon odomokunrin wa
is'èyi papa ni ma ni aye g'èni awon
odomokunrin papa, ninu igbati won
ba ti wa ninu l'èni d'èni ti won si eri
awon odomokunrin wonji egiye la won-
ti akon efun (POWERS) ayi eyi ni
ma mo ayi won dan g'èni, si i'èni mo
ntan awon odomokunrin wonji fi-
toye ti won ki i'èni fi mo pe :

"Ki ise gbagbo ohan ti ndan ni wura."

Igbati igbati ohan ninu awon odomo-
kunrin wonji ba ti i'èni ohan ninu awon
"Agbode g'èni" odomokunrin wonji fun
igba d'èni, won a si g'èni ara won ju s'èje
ni o'èni ara.

Oun ninu awon odomokunrin
wonji, nipa an'èni i'èni ti o ari se e'èni
e b'èni si lu owo loyo re ni ni l'èni, nipa
pe ki o ma haye ile kakiri fun
o'èni awon "K' o ma dan" odomo-
birin wonji, de ibi ti ko ni le se
lojo awon iyawo re ninu ile.

Iwa l'èniyi ile bayi a ma mo ki
"K' o ma dan" odomokunrin ti Temu bayi
ile fun yi ki o di wole-w'èni omo-
gun, nipa pe ki o le fi oyo yi Temu
l'èni, ki o ma le ki ohan ohan ti
oun ba fe t'èni ti oun ba l'èni l'èni
oyo re, ati pe ki o ma le rojo g'èni
ti awon iyawo re ninu ile.

Opolopo odomokunrin ni awon ati si
ibi i'èni iwa bayi so di alainje nipa
il'èni awon "K' o ma dan" agbode-
g'èni odomokunrin wonji. Opolopo ile
ni o si ti di alainje s'èni lati oyo
won.

Og'èni awon odomokunrin ni o ti di
e'èni nipa t'èni awon "K' o ma
dan" agbode-g'èni odomokunrin wonji,
ati nipa s'èni ohan ti apa won ko ka
lati fi se won l'èni, won a si g'èni
g'èni pe. "Ko si ba ti le se l'èni ti ko ni
fi lu iwa e'èni, ati pe ko si ohan ti
a le se fun o'èni-èni, awon "K' o ma
dan Agbode-g'èni" odomokunrin wonji
ti won le ni i'èni."

O to, o si je l'èni last January. H'èni mo
is'èyi mo d'èni-èni in Wesley College, Boston
ninu re ki l'èni s'èni ba won-èni o'èni-èni
owu ni pump. H'èni friends ba ma war. We
a si tun ni l'èni further success. We understand
ko ni ero e. Success will be proceeding to
o'èni-èni [and to August for further studies in
le ma fi o'èni in the Methodist Training College
Agbode Bismard.

ODOMOKUNRIN
TRAFFIC.
Among the new arrivals of Police Con-
stable from Enugu last week was Col. J.
Langdon Abimbola, who has been sent to
station here for the purpose of controlling
traffic in order to check the increasing of
road accidents which is very common in
this area.

one last exhibition. It was at the time of her Captain Pigeon, who was greatly interested in the work of farm-tenants and it was he who invited some farmers to the corn to a meeting about the year 1868. He urged them to establish themselves into a Society. He also invited some of the principal farmers of that section, to improve the work of their farms.

He also invited some of the principal farmers to join, although these were placed on order the organization of themselves first, education and family. The Agricultural Department was organized first (The President), our Farmers and the then D. O. the Vice-President.

It was stated that the organization was carried on to this day. He also asked to hold our meetings and in being rooms at the High School, Yonkers, standing in this day. He gave us a list of the names of the members. It was stated that the organization was held on the 10th of the month of August, 1868, at the residence of Mr. D. O. the Vice-President, at the residence of Mr. D. O. the Vice-President, at the residence of Mr. D. O. the Vice-President.

He was also indicated to last and his successor for the opening of the year 1868. He was also indicated to last and his successor for the opening of the year 1868. He was also indicated to last and his successor for the opening of the year 1868.

We should not overlook paying tribute of gratitude to the noble and energetic President who was always ready to attend to the needs of our members. He was always ready to attend to the needs of our members. He was always ready to attend to the needs of our members.

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Our meeting, last night, was a most successful one. We were glad to see so many of our members present. We were glad to see so many of our members present. We were glad to see so many of our members present.

The report of the progress of the work of the Society during the past year was most satisfactory. We were glad to see so many of our members present. We were glad to see so many of our members present. We were glad to see so many of our members present.

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