

Hon. J. R. DICKSON moved,—

“That this recommendation be considered in Committee.”

Hon. J. G. JENKINS seconded.

Carried.

The PRESIDENT left the Chair, and the Conference went into Committee accordingly.

After some time spent therein,

Hon. JOSEPH COOK moved,—

“That this Conference regrets that, owing to the financial loss involved, the question of a general reduction in the prices of Intercolonial Telegrams must stand over for the present, and make no suggestion on the question of the limitation of addresses.”

Hon. J. G. JENKINS seconded the Motion, which was agreed to.

The Conference resumed, and the PRESIDENT reported the Motion.

Hon. J. GAVAN DUFFY moved,—

“That the following words be added to the Resolution reported from the Committee of the Whole Conference—‘but it is suggested that the Governments of New South Wales and Queensland arrange between themselves as to rates and limitations of words in addresses.’”

Hon. J. G. JENKINS seconded the Motion, which was carried.

The PRESIDENT put the question,—

“That the Report of the Committee of the Whole Conference, as amended, be agreed to.”

Carried.

Hon. J. R. DICKSON moved,—

“That any re-arrangement of charges should be on the basis of either charging for every word, whether in addresses or text, such being the international principle, or, of allowing the address and signature to the number of twelve words to be sent free.”

The Motion was not seconded.

Hon. J. GAVAN DUFFY moved,—

“That it is desirable the Motion of Hon. J. R. DICKSON be recorded in the Minutes of Proceedings.”

Hon. J. G. JENKINS seconded the Motion, which was carried.

The Sub-Committee reported :—

No. 76.—“Share-dealing.”

We are unable to deal with this matter. It refers to traffic in shares by telegraph employees, and should, we respectfully suggest, be dealt with by the respective Governments.

Hon. J. GAVAN DUFFY moved,—

“That, in the opinion of this Conference, telegraphic employees should be absolutely prevented from speculating in shares.”

Hon. J. G. JENKINS seconded.

After discussion the Motion was agreed to.

The following recommendations of the Sub-Committee were agreed to without Amendment :—

No. 77.—“Share Telegrams between Stock Exchanges.

We are of opinion that telegrams giving share quotations and passing between stock exchanges should not be accepted at press rates, but be charged as ordinary telegrams.

No. 79.—“*Re* word ‘care’ being inserted in Address of Message.”

We recommend that when an International telegram is addressed to the care of a person who has registered an abbreviated or code address, his name or registered address must be preceded by the word “care.” When such word is omitted the omission should involve a non-delivery, and the sender be obliged to correct the address by a paid service, as provided for in the International Regulations.

No. 83.—“Proposed omission of the word ‘to’ from before addresses on telegrams.”

We are of opinion that it is unnecessary to signal the word “to” before the addresses on telegrams.

No. 84.—“Charges for certified copies of telegrams and search fees.”

We recommend that a certified copy of any Inland or Intercolonial message be supplied to the sender or addressee, or their authorised representative, upon proof of identity and full particulars being furnished, together with the payment of a fee of 1s.; but where such particulars are not supplied the fee will be 2s. 6d.