

that the inquiry presents only an academic question, and that no occasion exists for its decision.

Very truly yours,

Assistant General Counsel

The matter was referred to Commissioner Clotworthy for conference with the General Counsel of the United Railways and Electric Company.

Patrolman Robert T. Noel.
Complaint of E. S. Brady & Co.

In the matter of the complaint of E. S. Brady & Co., Coal Dealers, against Patrolman Robert T. Noel, as referred to in the proceedings of November 27, 1911, a report, as follows, was received and the recommendation of the Marshal approved:

"Baltimore, Md., December 4th., 1911.

To The Honorable,

The Board of Police Commissioners.

Gentlemen:-

In the matter of complaint against Patrolman Robert T. Noel by Messrs. E. S. Brady & Co., I beg, respectfully, to submit, herewith, statements of Patrolman Robert T. Noel and Robert P. Schleigh, as also a report from Detective George W. Armstrong, whom I detailed to investigate the matter.

Patrolman Noel emphatically denies that he made any such remarks as are attributed to him by Mr. Walter E. Brady, and I am inclined to accept Patrolman Noel's denial rather than consider seriously the allegations of Mr. Brady.

The Brady firm are habitual violators of the law and in my judgment Patrolman Noel was justified in taking the action that he did. I would therefore, respectfully, recommend that the charges of Messrs. E. S. Brady & Co. against Patrolman Noel be ignored and filed.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS F. FARNAN, Marshal."

(See Exhibit No. 3671.)

House, - 12 E. Madison street.

A report, as follows, was received, read and ordered filed, see