

THEY MAY STRIKE AND THEY MAY NOT

Railroad Men Who Are Working Not So Eager as the Leaders.

Brooklyn railroad employes are still uncertain whether there will be a strike or not.

It does not seem to be the idea of the men who are employed on the roads to strike, but the men who are acting as leaders are stimulating them to strike in order to gain what President Lewis of the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company and President Norton of the Atlantic Avenue Company have absolutely refused to give them, an increase on wages of 25 cents a day.

The De Kalb Avenue line employes have had a compromise proposition from President Partridge, who will agree to pay them \$2.12½ a day. The men now receive \$2. They demand \$2.25.

Their local assembly, No. 9,957, composed of the employes of the De Kalb and Franklin Avenues lines, 500 in number, met at Throop and De Kalb Avenues last night to consider President Partridge's proposition. Master Workman M. Hartstill presided. The session lasted until early this morning.

It seemed to be the general idea among the trolley men who were at work that Col. Partridge's offer was the best that could be obtained this year.

Whatever action was taken was kept secret, but it will be reported to a full meeting of District Assembly No. 75, K. of L. to be held at Mugge's Hall to-morrow morning.

It seems to be understood that the troubles will culminate to-morrow, and that if there is to be a strike it will begin on Sunday morning.

The trouble on the Brooklyn Elevated Road has been settled. President Uhlmann said yesterday:

"The agreement we have made is that the company should advance the wages of the firemen 10 cents a day, placing their wages the same as they were in 1893, before the reduction was made. The wages of the other employes remain the same. We have also agreed to give the conductors a fifteen-minute relay, at the end of the route, in the morning and evening, for breakfast and supper."

Superintendent Campbell and the four Police Inspectors are on the alert, and all policemen have been deprived of their days off until after the railroad troubles are declared over.

Mayor's Advisory Committee.

A meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee, appointed to investigate the trolley system, was held in the Mayor's office yesterday, and was attended by representatives of the various railroad companies.

The question of the speed of the cars and other questions were taken up and discussed at great length. Before adjournment, it was decided to hold another meeting on Saturday night, at which representatives from the motormen and conductors are expected to be present.

Funeral of ex-Judge Van Voorhis.

Funeral services over the body of ex-Judge C. W. Van Voorhis were held last evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Gilbert Birdsall, 123 East One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Street.

Dr. G. H. Mandeville of the Dutch Reformed Church conducted the services. He was assisted by Dr. J. S. Ramsey of the Harlem Presbyterian Church, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Street and Seventh Avenue. The burial will take place to-day in Woodlawn.