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NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY

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WORKING OF LEVEL CROSSINGS OUTSIDE STATION
LIMIT.

In Para 229(1) of the N.E.Railway, General and Subsidiary Rules, it is stated that all Gates at level crossings shall be kept constantly closed and fastened across road traffic, except when it is necessary and safe to open them for the passage of road traffic. Under special instructions the gates of any particular level crossing or class of level crossing may be kept normally open to road traffic and closed when necessary for the passage of trains.

The corresponding rule in Ex.O.T.Railway General and Subsidiary Rules lays down under Subsidiary Rule that at 'A' & 'B' class level crossings the gates will normally remain open to road traffic and closed only for the passage of trains. This subsidiary rule appears to have been omitted in the N.E.Railway General & Subsidiary Rules Book and as such the following special instructions regarding the normal position of gates at 'Special' 'A', 'B' & 'C' class level crossings are issued to take immediate effect:-

"At 'Special' and 'A' class level crossings, 3 gatemen will be provided normally (2 Gatemen on lines of light traffic). The gates, when not closed for the passage of trains will be kept open to road traffic both by day and night.

At 'B' class level crossings, Gatemen will be provided normally (one gateman on lines of light traffic). The gates when not closed for passage of trains, will between sunrise and sun set be kept open to road traffic. Between sun set and sun rise the gates will be kept closed to road traffic and opened when required to get the road traffic pass.