interest of such bond, if it be a registered bond without coupons, shall be made only to such registered holder or upon his order, but such registration may be changed as hereinafter provided. All such payments so made shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. Said coupon bonds shall pass by delivery unless registered in the owner's name upon said books of registry, such registration being noted on the respective bonds by the bond registrar of the Railway Company. After such registration of a coupon bond, no transfer thereof shall be valid unless made on said books by the registered owner, or his attorney, and similarly noted on the bond; but the same may be discharged from registry by being transferred to bearer, after which transferability by delivery shall be restored, and it shall continue subject to successive registrations and transfers to bearer as before. Such registration, however, shall not affect the negotiability of the coupons, but the same shall continue to be transferable by delivery, notwithstanding the registration of the bond. Each registered bond without coupons shall be transferable by the registered holder thereof in person, or by attorney duly authorized, only on said books of registry and transfers, upon surrender and cancellation of the bond; and a new registered bond will be issued to the transferee in exchange for the bond surrendered and transferred. Such books may, however, be closed by order of the Railway Company for the transfer and registry of registered bonds without coupons upon the respective dates upon which installments of interest shall be payable thereon pursuant to the declaration of the board of directors of the Railway Company and for a reasonable time prior to such dates for the ascertainment of the parties entitled to receive the interest on such bonds, and such bonds shall not be transferable while such books are closed. Article Three. The Railway Company covenants that it will well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the respective holders of the bonds issued and to be issued hereunder and secured hereby the principal of said bonds as therein provided, at the office or agency of the Railway Company in the City of New York, on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and ninety five, in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent, and that it will pay, at said office or agency, in like gold coin, such interest on said bonds, not exceeding four per centum per annum, as shall become payable out of the surplus net earnings of the railway and other