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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,

9th January 1868.

No. 16. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 20th December 1867, No. 4912.

Communicating correspondence regarding the cost and carriage of Rails purchased from the Tramway Company for the Abyssinia expedition. } (Vide Proceedings, Military Department, dated 20th December 1867, Nos. 529—531).

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 9th January 1868, No. 10.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Proceedings be furnished to the Accountant General, in order that he may arrange for the payment and adjustment of the charges referred to.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant General.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Secretary to Government, P. W. D.... Here enter 10th December 1867.
Report from the Controller of Mily. Accts..... ,, 14th ,, ,, B.

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras, 9th December 1867, No. 338; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a telegram received by me from the Chief Engineer at Bombay upon the 16th ultimo. Previous communication between us had taken place upon the same subject, and I had informed him that about 100 tons of 36lbs. rails were obtainable from the Indian Tramway Company.

2. On receipt of the telegram above alluded to, I ascertained that there was no chance of direct communication to Abyssinia, but having learnt from the Quarter Master General's Office that the steamer *Clyde* was to call at Beypoor on the 19th, to convey invalids and time-expired men to Bombay, I telegraphed to Colonel Tremenheere for authority to ship the rails on board of her, and as there was no time to lose, I arranged with the Agents of the Tramway Company and with the Madras Railway Authorities for the immediate transmission of the rails to Beypoor, and obtained instructions from the Marine Department to the Master Attendant at Calicut to take charge of the rails and to ship them on board the *Clyde*.

3. I trust that, under the circumstances, my proceedings will be approved by Government.

4. I have the honor to submit, for sanction, the Madras Railway Company's bill for the carriage of the rails from Arconum to Beypoor, amounting to Rupees 3,285-7-0.

5. The Tramway Company's bill for the cost of the rails, &c., amounting to Rupees 15,642-13-11, is also enclosed; but Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. inform me that there will be an additional charge on account of import duty, the amount of which they are not able at present to state.

6. I request instructions as to the mode in which these payments are to be adjusted.

Telegram from the Chief Engineer, Bombay, 16th November 1867; to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras.

Your telegram of thirteenth—please despatch the thirty-six pounds rails to Abyssinia by the first opportunity. It is concluded that they are flange rails to be spiked down to sleepers and require no chairs. Sleepers and spikes will be sent from hence—can you send points and crossings, if so, how many?

Her Majesty's Government of India ..... *Dr.*

To the Indian Tramway Company (*Limited*)

No. or quantity.	Description.	Weight. Tons	Cwt.	Qrs.	lbs.	Rate per ton. Rs. A. P.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
	Permanent way.								
1,080	Rails, 19 feet	108	9	2	16	104 5 9	11,321	2	0
2,160	Fish plates	4	6	3	4	Do.	452	13	6
4,340	Fish bolts	1	0	2	4	150 0 0	154	0	3
	Switches and crossings.								
12	Tongue rails								
12	Wing do.								
12	Check do.								
12	Switch do.								
6	Do. boxes								
6	Do. levers								
18	Tongue, rail chairs	9	13	2	12	.....	541	3	2
36	Check, do.								
36	Switch, do.								
12	Stock, do.								
12	Switch tie bars								
6	Do. rods								
	Proportion of freight and landing charges, &c., upon Rupees 12,469-2-11 at 25 per cent	...	...	...	...	.....	3,117	4	9
20	Gunny bags at 8 Annas each	...	...	...	...	.....	10	0	0
78	Coolies for loading rails, &c., on waggons at 3 Annas each	...	...	...	...	.....	14	10	
	Superintendence for loading rails, &c., on waggons at 3 Annas each	...	...	...	...	.....	30	8	3
	3rd October 1867, to a telegram to Mr. Holloway at Arconum	..	...	...	...	.....	1	4	0
	Total Rupees	...	...	...	...	.....	15,642	13	11

Rupees fifteen thousand six hundred and forty-two, Annas thirteen and Pies eleven.

E. E.

Contents received.

MADRAS, *28th November* 1867.

(Signed) ARBUTHNOT & CO.,
Secretaries and Agent.

No. 2290.

Major Shaw Stewart ..... *Dr.*

To the Madras Railway Company for the carriage of the undermentioned Articles.

Date.	From	To	Article. No.	Description.	Weight. Maunds.	Seers.	Rate. Rs. A. P.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
1867 November 18	Arconum	Beypoor.	1,080 2,160 4,320	Rails .. Fish plates... ,, bolts ...	3,373	10	0 15 7	3,285	7	0
				Total...	3,373	10		3,285	7	0

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TRAFFIC MANAGER'S OFFICE, *25th November* 1867.

Please pay by Cheque, Madras Railway Company.

Transferred to the Military Department.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

10th December 1867.

Referred for the consideration and report of the Controller of Military Accounts.

11th December 1867.

From the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, 13th December 1867, B; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to return the letter of the Consulting Engineer for Railway with enclosures, referred under your docket of the 11th December 1867.

Dated 9th December 1867, *No.* 333.

2. It appears that from this Presidency Rails, &c., to the value of Rupees 15,642-13-11, with an additional charge for import duty not yet determined have been supplied to the Chief Engineer, Bombay, for use with the Abyssinia Expedition, and that a charge of Rupees 3,285-7-0, for the conveyance of the rails from Arconum to Beypoor has also been incurred.

15,642-13-11.

3.285	7	0
18,928	4	11

3. As the bills are for supplies for Military use, Government may authorize the necessary funds to meet these bills, and the additional charge for duty, being placed by the Accountant General at the disposal of this Department, the charge being debited to the Abyssinia Expedition.

4. No funds are available from the Budget provision to meet any such charge.

ORDER, No. 4912, 20th December 1867.

Communicated to the Financial Department for the issue of the necessary orders to the Accountant General.

(True Extract.)

Major General,
Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with 3 enclosures.
,, Controller of Military Accounts.
,, Financial Department. Both 5 spare Copies.

Exd. J. E. Cashart.

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Communicating correspondence regarding the cost and carriage of Rails purchased from the Tramway Company for the Abyssinia Expedition.

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Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Proceedings be furnished to the Accountant General, in order that he may arrange for the payment and adjustment of the charges reported of.

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To the Accountant General dep 14/1
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