

Financial (1898) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 520

DATED 10-6-88

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting the P W Dept
to inform the Manager of the
East Coast Railway that it will
be necessary for him to arrange
for the payment of Messrs Baker's
claim for subscriptions to three en-
gineering periodicals supplied by them
to officers of the East Coast Railway

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F.W.
Financial (1898) Department.

Railway

CURRENT No. *228*
191.

From *J. P. Baker & Co.*

*Bond Court
London.*

Order Endt. No. 304.

Referred to the P.W. Dept.
with reference to para 1 of
G.O. R. No 767 dtd 14.8.95.
To Mr St. George & Mr. Humph.
4 Febry 1898 Ag. Under Secretary

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No.

Dated 11 Jan 98

Received 30 " "

Registered 31 " "

Enclosures *me* Recd 5.2.98

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SUBJECT.

Re the adjustment of their claim
for Subscriptions to three Supremacy papers
supplied by them to the Manager & Engineer
-in-chief, East Coast Railway, Waltham

Ref. to
Plan put up
for 400 July 10.6.95
K.P.
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FURTHER PAPERS.

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True Copy.

No 1859 P.

From

To

J. A. Craven Esq.
offg. Superintendent of Stationery

Super. H. P. Baker Esq.
6 Bond Court. Walbrook. London E.C.

Calcutta the 9th December 1897

Newspaper Periodical.

Branch.

Sir

With reference to your letter dated 12th Ulrino. I beg to say that as the papers named were not ordered by this office, I am not responsible for the payment claimed by you.

I have the honor to be
Yrs

your obedient servant
(Signed) U. Cooper.
for offg. Superintendent.

ADDRESS FOR INDIAN TELEGRAMS:
"BANSHEE, LONDON."

Financial Department.



CURRENT No. 3287

Bond Court,
Wallbrook, London, E.C.

11th January 1898

To the Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

Sir,

We have the honor to enclose a true copy of the reply recently received by us from the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, in response to our application for the adjustment of our claim for subscriptions to three Engineering periodicals supplied by us to the Manager and Engineer-in-Chief, East Coast Railway, Waltair, Madras Presidency.

2. We also beg to submit an extract from an order of the Financial Department of the Government of Madras, R. No. 767, dated 14th August, 1895, regarding the supply of the three periodicals - viz - "Engineer"

"Engineering"
"Railway Engineer" to the

above named Officer.

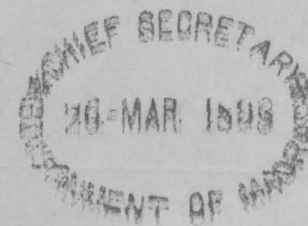
xxx "and future bills on account of the above periodicals should be forwarded to the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, whose orders should hereafter be taken in regard to the continuance of the supply."

3. We beg to solicit instructions regarding this matter, which shall receive immediate attention. We have the honor to be
sir,

Your most obedient servants,
F. P. Baker Esq. F.R.S.

Financial (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1002.



From The P. W. Department
Railway Branch.

Order

No. 134 R. No.

Dated 24th March 1898.

Received 26th " "

Registered 28th " "

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SUBJECT.

Transferring letter from the
Manager, C. P. Ry. regarding
the adjustment of certain
amounts ^{due} for periodicals sup-
plied by Messrs Baker & Co.

Recd 29/3/98
R.O.
Please put up
of 20. XI. 98
K.P.
20/3/98
P. W.
20/3/98

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East Coast Railway

No: B/1486

Examiner's Office

Dated Wales 26th February 1898
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Copy of the following
forwarded to the Manager, East Coast Ry,
with reference to his no: 1543 of 18th Current,
together with its accompaniments

By E. A. Lee
Examiner of Accounts
East Coast Ry.

Letter no: B/1485 dated 26th February 98
from the Examiner of Accounts E. C. Ry to
the Accountant General.

In forwarding herewith
Copies of marginally noted correspondence
for disposal, I

Copy of Letter from Messrs F. P.
Baker & Co to Rptl of Stationery
from Consulting Engineer for
Railways to Manager, East
Coast Railway.

Copy of Letter 1839 dated
9-12-97 from Superintendent
of Stationery to Messrs F. P.
Baker & Co

Copy of Letter no: 328 dated
11-1-98 from F. P. Baker & Co
to the Chief Secretary to
Govt: Madras

Have the honor
to refer you to
this Office Exchange
Accounts for January
1898 in which
a sum of Rs 34-4-1
being Cost of
Engineering Period
icals supplied

by Messrs F. P. Baker & Co has been
Credited to Civil Department.

ENG. NO. L TO C. P. NO. 1374 8
LETTER NO. 2298 18. 3. 98
FROM E.C.R.

No 2298
EAST COAST RAILWAY.



From

THE MANAGER.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS.



Madras.

Dated Waltair the 18th March 98.

Sir,

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In returning herewith the original papers received with your No 394 of the 9th Ultimo, I have the honor to forward a copy of letter No B 1485 dated 26th idem from ^{the} Examiner of Accounts East Coast Railway to ^{the} Accountant General Madras regarding the adjustment of the amount referred to in the letter from Messrs F. P. Baker and CO: London.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

M. M. M.
Major R. E.
Offg Manager.
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No. 134 R. M.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

MEMORANDUM.

Dated Madras, 24th March 1898.

Letter from the Manager East Coast Rail-
way N^o 2298 dated 18th March 1898.

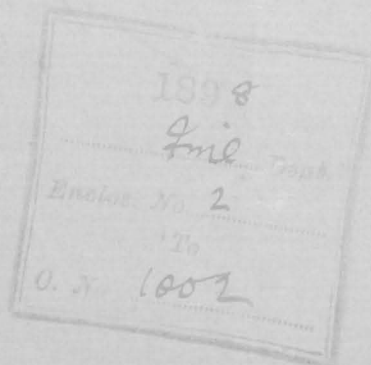
Transferred to the Financial Depart-
ment with reference to its N^o 304 dated the
4th February 1898 (herewith returned).

[Signature]

Chief Secretary

To

The Financial Department.



NOTE FOR THE C.A.

The Supt. of Stationery
Calcutta is the agent for procuring
publications for all
officers under the
Govt. of India. Accordingly
in July 1895
he was asked if he
would undertake to
procure publications
for the officers of
the East Coast Railway.
This, he agrees to do,
provided the appli-
cations came thro' the
Director General of
Railways in India. This
reply was communicated
to the P.W.D. for the
issue of necessary
instructions to the
officers of the E.C. Railway,
and Messrs. Baker & Co.
were at the same time
asked to forward
future bills to the
Supt. of Stationery
Calcutta, "whose orders,"
they were told, "should be

Please see para 3 of J. of Revolution
disposed of in J.O.N. 864 Jul 20. 91. 88-

J.O.N. 603 Jul 9. 7. 95-B

Please see C.N. 1878 of 1895 E

Para 1 of J.O.N. 767 Jul 14. 8. 95. A

~~Para 2 of J.O.N. 767 Jul 14. 8. 95. A~~

Para 2 of J.O.N. 767 Jul 14. 8. 95. A

"taken in regard to the
"Continuance of the
"Supply"

In C. No 328, Messrs
Baker & Co. Complain
that they forwarded
their bills to the Sup^t of
Stationery, Calcutta,
but that he refused
payment on the ground
that he had not
ordered the supply.
The Current was referred Q
to the P.W.D. with reference
to para for No 767 Dtd 7 A
4.8.95, para 1, in which
where they were asked
to instruct the officers
of the E.C. Railway to
apply to the Director
General of Railways in
India for the publica-
tion they wanted. In
reply they have merely
forwarded copy of a
letter sent by the L
Examiner of Railway Accounts,
E.C. Railway to the
Accountant General, Madras,
Station

Starting that he had credited the Civil Dept. with Rs 34-4-11 which he had evidently this was the ^{which used to be} amount ^{formerly} ~~of~~ ^{paid} to Messrs Baker on account of the Engineering periodicals supplied to the Officers of the E.C. Railway. The Examiner ~~was~~ ^{considered} ~~thought~~ that if this amount ~~was~~ ^{is} credited by him to the Civil Dept. the claims of Messrs Baker which was refused by the Supt. Stationery Calcutta, can be paid by the Acct. fl. ~~but~~ ^{On personal enquiry it appears,} however, that the Acct. fl. has replied to the Examiner of Accounts, E.C. Railway, that he had no authority to admit the Credit in the face of G.O. R. No 767 Dated 24.9.95 which lays down that "future bills should be

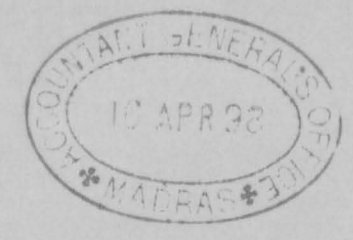
forwarded to the Supt. of
 Stationery. The question difficulty
 is, why the Supt. of
 Stationery should have
 refused payment to
 Messrs. Baker & Co. If
 the P.W.D. had in accordance
 with para 2 of the S.O.
 instructed the officers
 of the E.C. Railway to
 address the Director General
 of Railways for the
 supply of publications
 to them, the
 difficulty would not
 have arisen. And
 would it have arisen
 if Messrs. Baker had in
 accordance with para 2 of the S.O.
 addressed the Supt. of
 Stationery as to the
 continuance of the supply of
 the periodicals to E.C. Railway
 officers. On the other hand
 they seem to have continued
 the supply & addressed the
 Supt. of Stationery quite recently.
 Orders are solicited

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We must hear what the
 AG has to say.
 CMB

Please 12th Nov 1901 the date of Baker's letter replied to
 by the Supt. of Stationery. Please see G

K.P. 31.3.98



To be returned with reply

28194
 Financial Dept

C. No. 328 of 1002
 Encl. No. 905 of 14-4-98

Referred to the
 Accountant General for
 remarks.

Attn: Mr. A. S. S. S.

Chief Secretary
 13.4.98

CMB
 11.4.98

The Supt. of Stationery has been instructed to continue the supply of periodicals to E.C. Railway officers. The Supt. of Stationery has been instructed to continue the supply of periodicals to E.C. Railway officers. The Supt. of Stationery has been instructed to continue the supply of periodicals to E.C. Railway officers.

31.3.98

Financial (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1288



Have a person who put up with
please

CMB
575794

is to be sent to the Secretary

Noted 575798

From The Accountant General
Madras.

Order

No. 213B
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Dated 27 April 1898

Received 29. "

Registered 2 May 98

Enclosures S. h. c. h. 1910 & S. h. c. h. 1911

Spare copies - 328 & 1002 net

SUBJECT.

Returning from Endorh. No. 905 dated the 14th inst. together with its enclosure regarding the adjustment of the claim for subscriptions to three Engineering periodicals - supplied by Messrs. Baker & Co. with certain remarks.

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Current No. 1288

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DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Accountant-General's Office,

27 April 1898.

No. 933
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From

J. Hesketh Biggs Esquire,

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE

To

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

THE Chief Secretary to Government,

Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your endorsement No 905 dated the 14th instant on correspondence herewith returned regarding three engineering periodicals supplied by Messrs. Baker and Co. to the officers of the East Coast Railway, I have the honour to state that this office has duly paid for similar periodicals supplied and intimated to it, the last intimation having been Madras Government No 748 Financial dated 8 July 1896. For further supplies the firm was desired in Government Order No 767 Financial dated 14 August 1895 to take orders from and send bills to the Superintendent of Stationery Calcutta but the letter of the latter to the firm No 1859 dated

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9 December 1897 would show that it did not take orders accordingly. The officers who received the supply should therefore arrange now through the Director General of Railways for the payment as suggested in the Superintendent's letter recorded in the Government order of 1895. A

2. The Examiner of Accounts East Coast Railway's reference to a credit afforded on this account in his exchange account for January 1898 does not appear to be correct as no such credit is traceable. If however the account of January 1897 is referred to, it only contains a credit for the last payment made by this office for periodicals supplied up to 31 December 1895 and the examiner has been informed accordingly.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedt. Servt.,

W. H. B. J.
Accountant General.

for
27/14

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Mail. Dept.

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at Co. R. No. 603 Mail
of 9.7.95 the Supdt. of
Stationery, Calcutta, was
furnished with a list of
the periodicals supplied to
officers of the East Coast
Railway through the agency
of the Financial Dept. and
he was asked to state
whether he had any ob-
jection to the Agents
being instructed to send
future bills to him & to
take his orders as regards
future supplies.

This reply was merely a
request that the E. C. Rail-
way officers ^{might} be directed
to send their requisitions
for periodicals to him
through the Director General
for Railways. This was
communicated to the P.W.D.

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in view to the necessary
instructions being issued
to the officers concerned;
and Messrs Baker & Co
were asked to forward
their bills for the period-
icals then supplied to
R.C. Ry officers to the
Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta,
whose orders were to be
taken as regards the
continuance of the supply.
This order was communi-
-cated to the Supt. of
Stationery, Calcutta who
seems to have ignorantly
taken no notice of it, for
in C No 328 Messrs Baker
of-^{state} that they forwarded
their bill to the ^{him} Supt.
of Stationery, Calcutta, ^{himself}
he has declined to pay it,
as he did not order the
supply of the journals charged
for.

Messrs Baker & Co's letter
was referred to the R.M.D
with reference to para 1 of

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G.O.R. No 767 Dated 14.8.95

hereafter
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of G.O.R. No 767 Dated 14.8.95
referred to above. In reply
the R.M.D. forwarded a
letter from the Manager,
E.C. Railway enclosing a
letter from the Examiner
of accounts, E.C. Ry, stating
that the Civil Dept. has
been credited in the ex-
-change accounts of January
98 with the cost of the
journals.

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The Accountant General,
to whom the papers were
referred, states that no
such credit is traceable
and that, if the accounts
of January '97 are referred
to, the credit is for a
payment ^{already} made by ~~the~~ him
and not for Messrs Baker
& Co's present claim. The
Accountant Genl. is of opinion
that the officers of the
Railway to whom the journals
were supplied should arrange
through the District General
for Railways for the ad-

firstment of the claim.

The R.R. & may be asked to do this and Messrs Baker & Co. told that this Govt is not responsible for the loss of the periodicals supplied ~~to the Govt by~~ officers after August 95, the date of the L.O. in which they were told to take the orders of the Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta as regards ~~future supply~~ the continuance of the supply.

Draft Order submitted for approval

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23/5/98

The Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta, is correct in stating that he did not order the publications; but he omits to mention the fact that ~~in pursuance of the arrangement~~ ~~was made by suggestion~~ ~~to~~ when this Govt altered the system of supply to officers on the E. C. Railway

R. No. 767 Dated 14.8.95-A

A. S.O. R. No. 767 14.8.95

in 1895, after consulting him, he was informed of the supplies being made to these officers. His ^{to Baker} plea of ignorance of the supply is therefore not quite in accordance with what has passed. It would have been better had this Govt in 1895 told Baker to apply to the Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta, as regards future supplies, without continuing the existing supply; but the object of the order of 1895 was obviously to save the convenience of everyone by handing over the matter to the Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta ~~without~~ ^{avoiding} ~~arranging~~ at the same time for any break in the supply.

Baker & Co. are not to blame. They were told to take the orders of the Supt. of Stationery, Calcutta, ^{hereafter} as regards the ~~future~~ supply, but were at the same time distinctly told to ~~continue~~ ^{existing} the supply. Para 2 of the proposed Draft may therefore, it is submitted, be omitted.

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Papers to be read in proceedings :—

Again G.O. No. 767, dated 14. 8. 1895. (9/)

Again G.O., No. , dated 189

Again G.O., No. _____

Current No.	328	of 1898,	dated	11 January,	from	Messrs Baker & Co.
" "	1002	" 1898,	"	24 March,	"	R. W. D. (By Bk)
" "	1288	" 1898,	"	27 April,	"	the Aust. Consul.

ORDER. No. 520, of 10th June 1898

The R. B. Dept. will be re-
-quested to ^{inform} ~~instruct~~ the ^{Manager} ~~officer~~
of the East Coast Railway
that it will be necessary for him
~~Government~~ to arrange for the
payment of Messrs Baker
& Co's claim in the manner
indicated by the Accountant
General. ^{Curd 26.5.98}
2 ~~Messrs Baker & Co's attache~~
will be drawn to para 2
of the G.O. read above
directing them to take the
orders of the Supt. of Stations
Calcutta as regards the
continuance of the supply
of these periodicals ~~with the~~

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Note
We have no authority to issue
orders to the I.C.B.
Concurrent with the

Flrs
6/6/98

~~Underofficer. As they
do not appear to have
followed these instructions
the Gm. is not responsible
for the cost of the
periodicals supplied after
August 1895.~~

The R.M. D. (A.C. 328. P-1002. A-1288 + 0) ^{draft 15/6/98}
Messrs Baker & Co (9-328. 9-1002. ⁴⁹⁵ P-1288 + 0) ^{draft 16.6.98}
Asst. Genl. (P-328. P-1002. 9-1288 and 0) ^{draft 15/6/98}
in original

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READ AGAIN G.O., No
189

DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT.

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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO

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