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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

May the draft on C. 22 4716
stand?

In the India Office Mr. Col. Baker
says that the question of inquiry
patrols is being inquired into
but the last clause of the draft
has not yet gone out on that
account. It seems as well
to have a definite order directing
inquiry into the question.

Yours
L. L. L.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE

No 1115

Madura District Police Office
Dated 29th September 1891

From

Col. F. Talpou
Superintendent of Police,
Kadara

To

The District Magistrate
Kadara

Sir

I have the honor to report for your information the particulars of an attempt to wreck the Mail train to Madura on the 20th instant, and the result of my investigation. On that day the Mail train left Kadamadara for Madura at 2.27 AM. Having proceeded four miles the driver felt a shock he brought the train to a stand still.

Taking with him the Guard who was in the Van next the engine the driver proceeded in the direction of the place where the shock had been felt. Having gone a distance of from one telegraph post to another from the end of the train, large granite stone was found between the rails; upon having proceeded for

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At similar distance, another large stone was found on the embankment near to outside the right rail.

The stones were carried to the train and brought to Dindigul. The stone first found weighed 72 lbs, the other 48 lbs. Two of the ribs of the couplings of the engine were slightly bent; there was no other damage. A goods special left Pudukkottai for Madurai at 12.37 P.M. the same day, therefore the stones must have been placed on the line after this train passed the spot where the attempt to wreck the train was made; the probability is that an inquiry to the mail train was frustrated.

The spot where the shock was felt, is at the bottom of an incline and a few feet distant from a small culvert; had the attempt to derail the train been successful, the resulting accident would have been of a most disastrous character. At this place both rails are slightly bent and scratched showing that a stone was placed on each rail. How this heavy stone was propelled

or lifted for a considerable distance is difficult to understand; I have carefully inspected the spot, but am unable to venture on any explanation.

In the stone flooring of the waterway of the culvert, are impressions which show that the two stones were removed from there.

Up to date no clue has been obtained as to who the offender or offenders are.

Recently the services of all the permanent day night-watchmen have been dispensed with. On the section between Pudukkottai and Dindigul four night watchmen were employed, one of these has since obtained work in Dindigul, one is engaged as a porter at Pudukkottai, the remaining two, one a man of sixteen, the other a man of twelve years' service in the Railway Company, are related; they own land in a village situated near the scene of the attempt; owing to the dryness of the season, they have no cultivation work; they are getting a livelihood by carrying firewood into Dindigul for sale.

9 I strongly recommend that the
agent of the Railway Company be in-
sured to offer a reward of Rs 500.
for information which may lead to
the conviction of the offender or offenders
concerned in this attempt to wreck the
Rail train.

I have seen.
(Sd.) H. Milgaur, Colonel
Superintendent of Police

L. 1118. (True copy)

Forwarded to the Inspector General
of Police, Madras through the Inspector
General of Police, Southern Range, for
information.

(Sd.) H. Milgaur, Colonel
Superintendent of Police

District Police Officer
Madras, 30.10.91

Sd. H. Milgaur
By Inspector General Police
30.10.91

Office of Inspector General of Police
Madras, 30.10.91

True copy forwarded to the Chief
Secretary to Government for informa-
tion.

[Sd.] H. Milgaur, Colonel
Inspector General of Police

General's Office. No. 608

CHIEF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE,
Madras, 25 October 1891.

From

Colonel C. B. Fortman

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir

Enclosures.

1891/18 dated
5 September 1891

I have the honor to forward for your information a copy of letter from the Superintendent of Police, Madras to the District Magistrate reporting the particulars of an attempt to wreck the Mail train to Madras on the 25th ultimo, and the result of his investigation.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servant

Colonel
C. B. Fortman
Off. Asst. Super. Genl. of Police
for Super. Genl. of Police.

FROM

Col. C. C. Perkins

INSPECTOR GENERAL
OF POLICE.

Received by 24 Nov 91 No. 2403
The undersigned is in receipt of a letter from the undersigned of the 1st inst. containing a copy of a report of a witness to the killing of the perpetrator of the late killing of the undersigned of the 1st inst. The undersigned is in receipt of a letter from the undersigned of the 1st inst. containing a copy of a report of a witness to the killing of the perpetrator of the late killing of the undersigned of the 1st inst.

Submitted for information

DISPATCHED

27 NOV 91

M.S.

No.

The undersigned is in receipt of a letter from the undersigned of the 1st inst. containing a copy of a report of a witness to the killing of the perpetrator of the late killing of the undersigned of the 1st inst.

Dated

Received

October

1891

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No.

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undersigned of the 1st inst.
containing a copy of a report of a witness to the killing of the perpetrator of the late killing of the undersigned of the 1st inst.

I would sanction the March
asked for by the District Superintendent
I would ask the Consulting Engineer
to report on the advisability of
re-organizing the night patrol. It is
evidently a class of black men, but
the result of a successful attempt on
the part of these men, might be to
show us, it almost looks as if it is
wise to employ them.
Respectfully to the undersigned of the 1st inst.

ORDINARY, MS.

9/27 DEPARTMENT.
G.O., DATED 27 11. 91
No. 2403

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[Despatch Character.]

Reward of \$5000
for the discovery of the
perpetrators of the attempt
to break the mail-trains
to measure a road to the
consolidated road
upon the availability of
in organizing the night-patrols
on S. I. line.