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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th May 1864.*

No. 77. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial
Railway Department :—

Requesting that orders may be issued on the suggestion
made by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, that
provision should be made in the Department Public
Works for keeping the ground clear in the neighbourhood
of the larger Stations, } (Here enter 12th April 1864, No. 224.)

No. 78. ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1864, No. 1,281.

1. The Governor in Council does not consider that the duty of keeping clean the grounds adjoining the compounds of Railway Stations appertains to the Public Works Department.
2. The prevention of nuisances is the duty of the Police, and the foregoing Proceedings will be communicated to the Judicial Department, with a view to the necessary orders being issued to the Police and Magisterial authorities of the Districts concerned with reference to Chapter XIV of the Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure respectively.

(True Extract)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department.
,, Financial Railway Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Railway
Department, 12th April 1864.*

No. 51. Read the following letter from R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager Madras Railway Company; to Captain J. G. LINDSAY, R. E., Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in charge, dated Madras, 15th March 1864, No. 213.

I have the honor to forward for the information of Government, copy of a report* from the Acting Traffic Manager, and the reports,† received through the Consulting Physician, from the Apothecaries, with reference to the sanitary condition of the Station-houses on the South West and North West Lines.

* No. 91.
† To be returned.
From Apothecary Martin..... 13th March.
do. Duckworth... 14th "
do. Oliver... 11th "
do. Mann... 13th "
do. Hoossain Beg 12th "
do. Falconer... 13th "
do. Stutz... 12th "
do. D'Cruze... 12th "

2. The Return of the Apothecary at Beypore will be submitted when received.
3. With regard to the statement of Apothecary D'Cruze, and with reference to paragraph 2 of my letter No. 161, dated the 1st instant, I learn from the Acting Traffic Manager that the Station Master and others (including a Toty) employed at Congecode, do not reside there, but travel daily from and to Palghaut, the former station being so unhealthily situated that none of the Company's servants can make it their abode.

From G. DARTNELL, Acting Traffic Manager, to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway dated Madras, 15th March 1864, No. 91.

Fort-nightly Sanitary Report.

In continuation of my letter No. 83 of the 29th ultimo, I beg to report that I find that the use of sand for urines is very objectionable. In almost every instance where it has been used the drains have become stopped, and the urine left to over-flow the floor. The system of cleaning now adopted is simply to flood the places with water.

2. I beg to call attention to the filthy state of the grounds adjoining the compounds of the Railway Stations, especially at Coimbatore, Tripatore, and Vaniambaddy, which I have myself inspected within the last 10 days.

3. The station compounds are regularly cleaned, and all the buildings and premises inspected weekly by one of my assistants, and on alternate days by the District Inspector whose reports I am glad to say are very satisfactory.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. F. HOOPER,
For Agent and Manager.

No. 146.

Observations by the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in charge.

I forward with this letter an abstract Statement drawn up from the Reports of the several Apothecaries.

2. One of the Apothecaries states, that an old mud wall facing east of the Perambore Station should be levelled. I shall inquire of the Agent to whom the wall belongs, and whether it can be removed.

3. The Acting Traffic Manager state that he finds "the use of sand for urinaries is very objectionable. Dr. Mackay only recommended the use of sand in latrines and for urinaries" he wrote: (paragraph 8 of his report).—
"Undoubtedly the best plan would be to have no channel at all, but to use iron vessels as urinals, to be emptied into a large covered vessel kept outside" &c.

This will be pointed out to the Agent.

4. The Acting Traffic Manager also calls "attention to the filthy state of the grounds adjoining the compounds of the Railway Stations." I find that Captain O'Connell in paragraph 15 of his letter of the 27th January last, No. 43, suggested that provision be made in the Public Works Department for the maintenance of an establishment at each of the stations named in paragraph 13 of the letter, but no reference was made to it in Order of the 2nd ultimo, No. 62. MADRAS, 16th March 1864.

(Signed) J. G. LINDSAY, Captain R. E.,
Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, in charge.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

ABSTRACT.

Statement of the Sanitary condition of the Stations on the Madras Railway prepared from the Reports furnished by the Medical Staff, dated 11th, 12th 13th and 14th March 1864.

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Names of Stations.	Present condition of station buildings and enclosures.	Present condition of Privies and Urinaries.	Remarks.
<i>South West Line.</i>			
Perambore... ..	Clean.	Clean.	An old mud wall facing east of the Station should be levelled.
Avady, Tinnalore, Trivellore, Cuddumbathoor, Chinnampett, Sholinghur, Arcot, Tiruvellum and Vellore.	Do.	Do.	
Goriathum, Mailputty, Amboor, Vaniembady, Tripatoor and Samulputty.	Do.	Do.	At Goriathum, the collections of sweepings are being removed from the enclosures. At Mailputty, Amboor, Vaniembady and Tripatoor, workmen's temporary huts have been removed. The Tripatoor Station buildings are getting cleaned and white-washed. At Samulputty the enclosures are getting cleaned. The compounds are being cleared of bushes. Urinals smell offensively. The other buildings are still in the dirty state described in last report. Compound requires to be cleared of bushes. At present the station privies are undergoing repair, cisterns are also being built to receive the urine. The Village to the North on the Coimbatore road still remains, but is being kept clean by orders of the Collector. The Village of Poothanoor to the South continues still, in a very filthy condition, but is free from cholera.
Morapoor, Mullapooram, Shevaroy Hills... ..	Do.	Do.	
Salem... ..	Do.	Do.	
McDonald's Choultry... ..	do.	Do.	
Senkerrydroog, Erode, Perandooray, Watkullee, Avenashy and Soomanoor.	do.	Do.	
Coimbatore... ..	Do.	Do.	
Do. yard at the back of the station being ballasted.		Great alterations are being made in the privy by way of ventilation, and the urinaries have been knocked down and fresh ones are to be built.	
Walliam... ..	Station not finished.	Very dirty.	
Conjecoode... ..	Plat-form very dirty.	Clean.	
Paulghat, Purley, Luckady, Waltapolliem, Shoranoor and Puttamby.			

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<i>North West Line.</i>			
Arconum Junction Station... ..	Do.	Do.	Some temporary huts are in the course of removal from the Station compound. A drain is being constructed in the privies and urinaries to carry-off the urine.
Tirutany, Naggery, Poothoor, Poody and Tirruputty			

(Signed) J. G. LINDSAY, Captain, R.E.,
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Goriathum, Mailputty, Amboor, Vaniembady, Tripatoor and Samulputty.	Do.	Do.	The compounds are being cleared of bushes. Urinals smell offensively. The other buildings are still in the dirty state described in last report.
Morapoor, Mullapooram, Shevaroy Hills...	Do.	Do.	Compound requires to be cleared of bushes.
Salem...	Do.	Do.	At present the station privies are undergoing repair, cisterns are also being built to receive the urine.
McDonald's Choultry...	do.	Do.	The Village to the North on the Coimbatore road still remains, but is being kept clean by orders of the Collector. The Village of Poothanoor to the South continues still, in a very filthy condition, but is free from cholera.
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William...	Station not finished.	Very dirty.	
Conjeevode...	Platform very dirty.	Clean.	
Paulghat, Purley, Luckady, Walapollhem, Shoranoor and Puttamby.	Clean.		

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Deputy Consulting Engineer
for Railways in charge.

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Department, 12th April 1864.*

No. 52.

ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1864, No. 224.

Communicated to the Department of Public Works, whence orders will be passed on the suggestion made by the Consulting Engineer for Railways that provision should be made in that Department for keeping the ground clear in the neighbourhood of the larger stations.

(True Extract.)

H. J. Lunt
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 1281.

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ively.*

Chapman
17th May 1864

W. H.

*To the Judicial Department
„ Financial Railway Dept.
17th May 1864*

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25th April 1864 (P. 28th)