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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
2nd April 1864*

No. 52. Read the following letter from Captain T. E. GAHAGAN, R. E., Executive Engineer in charge of 5th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Salem, 17th March 1864, No. 2,218:—

Sir,

1. I have the honor to reply to G. O. No. 131 of the 17th January 1863, regarding the traffic on the Adamankotta and Malapuram road.

2. The traffic on the old road, a rough bullock track, crossing the steep sides of the Battlamalai hills, was very small and intermittent. That on the new cart track, for the construction of which Rupees 17,604 have been expended, is much the same. On one or two days in the week a good many foot passengers and a few pack-bullocks may be seen, going to and from some village bazaar. There is no cart traffic at all on the greater portion of the road.

3. With regard to the grounds on which an increase of traffic may be expected, I enclose a letter No. 23 of the 9th instant, to my address from the Collector of Salem. For my own part I adhere to the opinion which I expressed in 1859, to Colonel Bell, the then Chief Engineer, viz., that this road, traversing as it does, for the most part, a rugged and unhealthy tract of country, will never prove of value as a Railway feeder, and that the traffic on it will never justify the outlay incurred for its construction. The Taluq of Darampuri seems to me, in short, to require only one Railway feeder, and that one it has in the road between the Railway Station at Morapur and the Kasba town of Darampuri, which has long been connected by cart roads with all the large villages in the Taluq, and to which all the grain and other products of the Taluq will still, as of old, find their way.

No. 53. ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1864, No. 917.

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(True Extract.)

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

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W.T.

Chapman
2nd April/64

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From
The Executive Engineer in
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To
The Secretary to Govt.
A.P.W.

Dated 17th March 1864.
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Replying to G.O.
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1863 regarding the traffic
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With an Order

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C. 23rd March 1864. On 30th