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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th October 1866.

No. 446. Read the following letter from the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 10th October 1866, No. 405 :—

1. With reference to G. O. dated the 5th instant, No. 3,180, communicating copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, remarking upon the Progress Reports furnished by the Agents of the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways for the official year 1865-66, I have the honor to state that the actual difference between the expenditure* incurred upon the Madras Railway during the period referred to, and the amount of the Budget grant,† is Rupees 19,52,449, and not Rupees 20,03,467, as shown in the above letter. The difference between these two sums is Rupees 51,018, being the value of "old materials" which was duly credited in the accounts, but which cannot be regarded as having in any degree reduced the *bonâ fide* expenditure incurred in 1865-66, from Rupees 30,47,551 to Rupees 29,96,532.

* Rupees 30,47,551.

† Rupees 50,00,000.

2. The expenditure in 1865-66 on the Madras Railway having fallen so much short of the Budget grant, is to be ascribed to the unhealthiness of the season on the North-West Railway, and to the great difficulty experienced thereby by the Railway authorities in carrying out the surveys of the line, and in pushing forward the works as vigorously as was contemplated when the estimate was framed, six months anterior to the commencement of the year.

3. The Secretary to the Government of India states that "the amounts with-"drawn from Treasuries vary very considerably from the amounts expended in the "cases of both Railways. On the Madras Railway they were six and a half lakhs "of Rupees in excess of the expenditure." It is suggested that he may have arrived at this conclusion from having taken to account a sum of Rupees 6,12,482, the amount of Store and Workshop expenditure on the North-West Line during the year 1863, formerly debited to the South-West Line, but reversed as per Order of Government, No. 2,893, dated 29th September 1865. The adjustment was merely made in the books of the Accountant General and of the Railway Company, as other similar adjustments are made between the Capital and Revenue Accounts, but the money was not drawn or expended in 1865-66.

Forwarded with Major Shaw Stewart's letter No. 306, dated 21st July 1866.

4. The Agent's Report No. 353, and the Statement marked No. 1 of Receipts and Expenditure, forwarded with it, both show that the amount withdrawn from the Government Treasuries during 1865-66 for the South-West and North-West Lines on Capital Account, was Rupees 30,54,209,* and that the expenditure, less credits, was Rupees 29,96,532, leaving a balance of Rupees 57,677 to be accounted for, instead of six and a half lakhs of Rupees.

* Not Rupees 36,43,200 as shown in the margin of paragraph 3 of G. O. No. 3,180, dated 5th October 1866.

5. The withdrawals on the Great Southern of India Railway, during the official year in question, amounted to Rupees 12,98,411, and the actual expenditure

to Rupees 12,53,255, leaving a balance of Rupees 45,156 to be accounted for. The figures which are entered in paragraph 4 of the Agent's letter, No. 2,072, were, as stated therein, "partly estimated," hence the difference* between the amount† inserted in paragraph 3 of the G. O. under reference and the expenditure now reported by me.

* Rupees 8,96,016.
† ,, 21,40,271.

6. The actual balances, however, which remained unaccounted for or unadjusted in the accounts on the 1st May 1866 on the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways were Rupees 1,80,512 and Rupees 1,47,818, respectively. These balances include all transactions up to the close of the official year 1865-66.

7. The Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway has been addressed regarding the roads which are urgently required in connection with that Railway, and on the receipt of his reply I shall submit the report called for in paragraph 4 of the Order of Government.

No. 3,180.

No. 447. ORDER THEREON, 19th October 1866, No. 3,333.

RAILWAY, No 27.

Ordered that this report be forwarded to the Government of India with reference to Colonel Dickens' letter No. 929R, dated the 12th September 1866:—

(Here enter No. 3,334, dated 19th October 1866.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19th October 1866.

No. 3,334.

No. 448.
To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

RAILWAY, No. 28.

1. With reference to your letter No. 929 R, dated the 12th September 1866, regarding the Progress Reports of the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways for the official year 1865-66, I am directed to transmit a copy of a report from the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways furnishing information on the several points therein adverted to.

2. In compliance with the request contained in paragraph 3, I am to forward the papers marginally noted regarding the introduction of a fare of 2 Pies per mile for the families of Native Soldiers.

Proceedings of Madras Government No. 284, dated 8th May 1865.

3. The subject of paragraph 4 relating to the improvement of the means of communication between out-lying Districts and the Great Southern of India Railway is receiving the consideration of this Government.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Railway Department. CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 405.

From

Major H. A. D. Prendergast R.E.
Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Colonel A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

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Forwarded with Major Shaw Stewart's letter No 306 dated 21 July 1866.

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servant
H. Pennington Major R.E.
Dy Consulting Engineer for Railways

Madras
10 October
1866

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 10th October 1866.
Received 11th October 1866.
No. 405.

Sir I have the honor to submit the accompanying letter from the Superintendent of the Madras Railway Company, reporting the actual disbursements during the month of September 1866 on account of the Madras Railway Extension Works, amounting to Rupees 2,09,036.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.
Rec'd 11th October 1866

No. 3180.

No. 3333

Public Works Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 19th October 1866

Read the following

From
The Acting Consulting Engineer
for Railways (No. 405 dated 10th October 1866)

Ordered that this report be forwarded to the Govt of India with reference to Colonel Dickens letter No. 929 R. dated the 12th Septr 1866.

No. 3334

To The Secretary to the Govt of India P.W.D.

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To Chief Engrs for Railways
Despr 20 October

W.R.

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Fort St George
19th Oct 1866

Rec'd of Mr. S. No. 284 dated 8th May 69

Desp. 20 Octobr with a copy of G.O. No. 3233 & another of this date. Sent G. No. 264 28 May 68

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No. 3333

Pro. of the Madras Govt.

Dy 19th Oct/66.

Passing orders on a letter from the Deputy Controlling Engs furnishing the information called for by Govt of India in connection with Progress Reports (Railway) of the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways for 1865/66

Ltr 446 @ 446.

15th Octr/66. Dr. 15th