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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th March 1866.*

No. 611. Read the following letter from the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in charge, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madras, 19th March 1866, No. 130:—

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Government of India, relative to "uniform for Railway officials," communicated with Order of the 12th January last, No. 153, I have the honor to report that the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway having conferred with the Traffic Manager, is of opinion "that greater dissatisfaction would exist amongst the higher grade of Station Masters if they were called upon to wear a distinguishing badge, rather than a uniform, as badges in this Presidency are regarded as a mark of menial employment;" and he adds—

"I have considered very carefully the question of the use of uniform by officials on duty, and arrived at the conclusion that far more importance is attached to it, than is necessary.

"In this country, as a rule, there is no difficulty in distinguishing the Station Masters, and any passengers needing the assistance of those officers can, on application to the Guards or Porters, who wear uniform, have them summoned."

"I am, therefore, of opinion, that it is unnecessary to call upon Station Masters to wear uniform, or any distinguishing badge."

Letter No. 1,981, 16th March 1866.

2. The Agent and Traffic Manager of the Great Southern of India Railway writes—

"I cannot advocate the wearing of a badge by our Station Masters. If the wearing of a uniform is considered objectionable, and the source of much dissatisfaction, the infliction upon them of a badge would be doubly disagreeable. Practically, there is no difficulty whatever in a passenger communicating with a Station Master."

3. As both the Agents are opposed to the measure, it seems inadvisable to insist on the Station Masters being required to wear badges.

No. 612. ORDER THEREON, 27th March 1866, No. 991.

RAILWAY, No. 62.

Under the circumstances which are explained by the Agents of the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways and by the Deputy Consulting Engineer, His Excellency the Governor in Council will not insist on Station Masters wearing a uniform or distinguishing badge.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 130.

FROM

Major H. N. D. Prendergast V. R. S.
Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways,
in charge

TO

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Department Public Works,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

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Letter of 1981 -
15 March 1880

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

W. S. R. S. R. S.

Major G. R. S.

Deputy Consulting Engineer

Madras
19 March
1880

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under dates the 27th March/66 Read the following

From the Deputy Comd Engineer
for Railways in charge (Here enter No. 130 dated 19th March 1866.)

Under the circumstances which are explained by the Agents of the Madras and Great Southern of India Railways and by the Dep^y Consulting Engineer, His Excellency the Governor in Council will not insist on Station Masters bearing a uniform or distinguishing badge -

W. S. M.
To the Consulting Engineer
for Railways

Dep^y 28th March

Dec-11-66 January 1866. P. 310-314

From
The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
in charge

To
The Secretary to Government,
Department Public Works

Dated 19th March 1866.
Received 20th March 1866.

No. 130.

Enclosures.

Reporting that
proctor disqualification
would arise amongst
the higher grade of Station
Masters, if they were
called upon to wear
a distinguishing badge,
rather than a uniform.

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No. 991

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT. *of Madras*

Dated *9th March 1866*

*The Consulting Eng^r
is informed that the
wearing of uniforms by Rail-
way Station Masters
will not be insisted on*

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