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No. 660. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 10th January 1866, No. 13:—

Read the following letter from the Agent Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 6th January 1866, No. 1,917.

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3. I have also to report that at two stations only, Tanjore and Negapatam, did I find a supply of dry earth ready for use. In my previous report I drew attention to the habit natives have of committing nuisance on the platform, or on some other equally exposed places close by. This custom, though now less common, still requires looking after.

4. I shall now report on each Station separately.

Trichinopoly.—Privy and urinal clean and tidy, being evidently much less used than the ground close behind, and from which an offensive odour proceeds.

Compound tolerably clean.

Ladies Waiting Room, &c., clean. There is no matting on the floor of the first class Waiting Room.

Teroovembore.—Platform, Station house and neighbourhood clean.

Cottraputty. Do. do.

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TANJORE,
1*st January* 1866.

(Signed) J. ROSS, M. B.,
Consulting Physician to
Great Southern of India Railway.

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1. Submitted for the information of Government.

2. An extract from Doctor Ross' Report regarding the Devanady bridge has been communicated to the Collector of Tanjore.

(Signed) J. C. ANDERSON, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 661. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1866, No. 315:

RAILWAY, No. 63. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
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Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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