

Number of pages 14

(2) Date of repair 2-4-43

Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1337	Press
92-93	<u>Mis.</u>
Dated 3 . 5 . 1867 .	

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd May 1867.*

No. 92. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, the 6th April 1867, No. 3,519 :—

I am directed to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the annexed extracts from correspondence on the subject of the communications between Madras and Calcutta, and to express a hope that the attention of the Government of Fort Saint George may be directed to the improvement of the existing state of the roads.

Extract from letter from the Chairman of the Madras Chamber of Commerce, dated the 23rd February 1867.

Para. 6.—The Chamber take the present opportunity of calling the attention of the Government to the fact that the inland Mails between Madras and several of the principal Presidency Towns are conveyed at even less speed than was usual many years ago. Letters between Madras and Bimlipatam take six days, when formerly they were carried in five days. Between Tuticorin and Madras the Post is now carried half the distance by railway, and yet it reaches Madras no earlier than it did twenty-five years ago. The Chamber believe that improvement in these arrangements may be accomplished without difficulty.

Extract from letter from the Director General of the Post Office of India,—No. 4,025, dated the 23rd March 1867.

Para. 3.—With respect to the rate at which the Mails are conveyed on the line between Madras and Calcutta, I have only to say that it is not the fault of the Post Office that the rate at which they are carried is not satisfactory; though the employment of horses and mail cart has been sanctioned, the condition of the road is such as to preclude their use; and, as the same means are used for the conveyance of the Mails as were used twenty years ago, the rate of speed is naturally about the same. It is very desirable that a serious effort should be made to complete a road from Calcutta, Midnapore, and Cuttack to Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Nellore, and Madras. At present I believe the road between Nellore and Vizagapatam to be even worse than it was in 1855.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 93. ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1867, No. 1,337.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 9.

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 1,338, dated 3rd May 1867.)

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin,

*In reply I am
to*

56

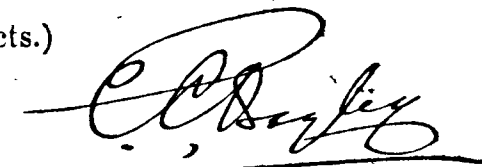
Extract from letter from the Chairman of the Madras Chamber of Commerce, dated the 23rd February 1867.

Para. 6.—The Chamber take the present opportunity of calling the attention of the Government to the fact that the inland Mails between Madras and several of the principal Presidency Towns are conveyed at even less speed than was usual many years ago. Letters between Madras and Bimlipatam take six days when formerly they were carried in five days. Between Tuticorin and Madras the Post is now carried half the distance by railway, and yet it reaches Madras no earlier than it did 25 years ago. The Chamber believe that improvement in these arrangements may be accomplished without difficulty.

Extract from letter from the Director General of the Post Office of India,—No. 4025, dated the 23rd March 1867.

Para. 3.—With respect to the rate at which the Mails are conveyed on the line between Madras and Calcutta, I have only to say that it is not the fault of the Post Office that the rate at which they are carried is not satisfactory; though the employment of horses and mail cart has been sanctioned, the condition of the road is such as to preclude their use; and, as the same means are used for the conveyance of the Mails as were used 20 years ago, the rate of speed is naturally about the same. It is very desirable that a serious effort should be made to complete a road from Calcutta, Midnapore, and Cuttack to Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Nellore, and Madras. At present I believe the road between Nellore and Vizagapatam to be even worse than it was in 1855.

(True Extracts.)



Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Ex. 100

In reply I am

No. 3519

FROM

E. C. BAYLEY, Esquire,
Secy. to the Gort. of India,

TO

*The Secretary to the Government of
Fort St. George*

SIR,

Dated Fort William, the 6th April 1867.

HOME DEPT.

I AM directed to forward, for the information of *His Excellency
the Governor in Council*, the annexed extracts from

From Madras Chamber of Commerce, dated
23rd February 1867, paragraph 6.
From Director General of the Post Office
of India, No. 4025, dated 23rd March 1867,
paragraph 3.

existing state of the roads.

correspondence on the subject of the commu-
nications between Madras and Calcutta, and
to express a hope that the attention of the
Government of *Fort St. George*
may be directed to the improvement of the

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

E. C. Bayley

Secy. to the Gort. of India.

1337

No 1337

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 3rd May/67
Read the following

From the Secy to the Govt
of India

(Here enter No. 3519 dated 6 April 1867)

Ordered that the
following letter be sent
No 1338
to the Secretary to the
Gov^t of India.

Sir
I am directed to ac-
knowledge the receipt of
Mr Secretary Bayley's letter
No-3519 of the 6th April/67
forwarding for the info-
rmation of this Government
an extract from Correspondence
on the subject of the
present condition of the
Trunk Road between
Madras and Calcutta.

In reply I am
to

From
The Secy to the Govt
of India

To the Secy to Govt
P.W.D.

2/6
Recd 24 April/67

Ca: one No 3519.

Forwarding extracts from
Correspondence relative
to the Communications
between Madras & Calcutta
& drawing attention to the
subject of their improve-
ment

No 1337-1338. 3rd May/67

Agd

State that, being fully
sensible of the importance
of the line in question,
this Government have
for many years past
appropriated to its con-
struction as large a share
of the annual apportionments
for public works in this
Presidency as could be
spared from other equally
or more important works
of public improvement,
and they believe that,
considering the very inade-
quate means at their
disposal, very fair and
creditable progress has
been made with the con-
struction of the road
in parts - They regret
that many portions remain
unmade, and that others
require to be worked
up into a suitable

136
state for rapid wheel traffic,
but they have unavoidably
been compelled to restrict
the allotments this year
to the road within even
narrower limits than usual,
owing chiefly to the
pressing necessity of pro-
-viding increased sail
accommodation without
further loss of time,
and I am to add
that His Excellency in
Council fears that unless
additional grants of
money be made by the
Government of India no
effort of this Government
will suffice to complete
the road throughout for
some years to come -

Recd 6/5/67

Forth 6/5/67
3-11/67

Ch

92-93
Pub. Works & Department

Pro: of Govt. for May

1867 & 1868

Pro: of the Madras Govt.
4th 3rd May 1867

Passing orders on a
letter from the Govt. of India,
forwarding extracts from
certain correspondence on
the condition of Trunk Road
between Madras and
Calcutta.

12.92-93 @ 94