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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2865-66

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
16th September 1867.

No. 384. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 5th September 1867, No. 247:—

1. In reply to the Order of Government dated the 9th ultimo, No. 2,428, I have the honor to state that the Government of India appear to have erroneously inferred that at the end of August 1866 there was an increase of fifty-two miles to the length of permanent way on the North-West Line, which was maintained from Revenue. Up to the 30th September 1866, the maintenance charges on the line between Arcotum and Tripputty, forty-one miles in length, were alone debited to Revenue, as reported in paragraph 20 of the half-yearly Statement, dated 29th May 1866, No. 235. From the 1st October 1866, the charges on the extension between Tripputty and Reddipully, thirty-eight miles in length, which had been opened for traffic two years previously, fell for the first time upon Revenue. Thus at the end of the second half of 1866, seventy-nine miles upon the North-West Line were maintained from Revenue.

2. From the enclosed letter* from the Agent, it will be seen that the large decrease in the expenditure upon grease during the half-year in question was caused entirely by the low average temperature as compared with that of the previous half-year. That the consumption of grease during the last named period was far above the average was clearly stated in the half-yearly Report,† dated the 29th September 1866, No. 397.

3. Due attention will be paid to the instructions conveyed in paragraph 3 of the G. O. under reference.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 5th August 1867, No. 304.

1. In reply to the inquiry contained in paragraph 1 of your letter of the 29th instant, No. 191, I have the honor to state that the cause of the decrease of Rupees 3,242-4-1 in the expenditure for grease in the half-year ended the 31st December 1866, as compared with that in the previous half-year, is attributable entirely to the more moderate temperature of the weather. Besides, I would beg to remind you, that in the December half-year, we have the influence of two monsoons.

2. With a view to furnish information as to the excessive expenditure for grease in the half-year ended June 1866, I have the honor to quote as follows, from paragraph XXV of the Traffic Manager's half-yearly Report, dated the 27th August 1866, No. 387.

"Our traffic working charges have been much heavier than in the two previous half-years, but the increased cost was due to circumstances beyond our control. It will be seen from paragraph 36 of Appendix A that the cost of 'grease' alone was 17.46 per cent. of the gross departmental expenses, and nearly 250 per cent. greater than the corresponding period: this state of things was due entirely to the excessive heat of the season, in proof of which it is only necessary to state, that the cost of grease for the present month will be above 200 per cent. less than the month of June. The cost of other stores, consequent on increased prices have also been comparatively heavy."

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th September 1867.*

No. 385.

ORDER THEREON, 16th September 1867, No. 2,865.

RAILWAY, No. 24.

Ordered that these papers be forwarded to the Government of India with reference to Colonel Dickens' letter No. 620 R of the 17th July 1867 :—

(Here enter No. 2,866, dated 16th September 1867.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
FORT ST. GEORGE,
16th September 1867.

No. 2,866.

No. 286.
To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

RAILWAY, No. 25.

1. With reference to paragraph 9 of your letter No. 620, of the 17th July 1867, in which you remark that the

length of permanent way on the North-West Line of the Madras Railway maintained from Revenue, had apparently increased at the end of August 1866, from 41 to 93 miles, I am directed to forward the accompanying papers from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, from which it will be observed that no increase occurred until the 1st October 1866, on which date, a period of two years having expired since the opening to traffic of the 38 miles between Tripputty and Reddipully, the length of permanent way maintained from Revenue was increased from 41 to 79 miles. It will also be seen from these papers, that the decrease in the expenditure upon grease during the half-year ending 31st December 1866, which was noticed by the Government of India is attributable to the more moderate temperature of the weather as compared with that of the previous half-year.

2. The attention of the Railway authorities has been called to the observations in paragraph 8 of your letter under reply, and the Consulting Engineer will in future analyses notice the proportion which the up-traffic on each line of the Madras Railway bears to the down-traffic.

3. I am to add that, as the analysis of the Revenue Account of the Madras Railway for the second half of 1866 was forwarded to the Government of India before the receipt of your letter under acknowledgment, it was found impossible to make the addition to the working expenses ordered in paragraph 9.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd S. T. Augustin.

MADRAS RAILWAY COMPANY.

AGENT AND MANAGERS OFFICE.

Madras, August 31st 1867.

From

R. D. Brown Esq.
Agent and Manager of the M. R. Co.

To

Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. Anderson, R.E.
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Sir,

In reply to the enquiry contained in paragraph 1 of your letter of the 27th instant, I have the honor to state that the cause of the decrease of Rs 3,42-4-1 in the expenditure for fuel in the Half-year ended the 31st December 1866, as compared with that in the previous Half-year, is attributable entirely to the more moderate temperature of the weather. Besides, I would beg to remind you, that in the December Half-year, we have the influence of two Monsoons.

2. With a view to furnish information as to the previous expenditure for fuel in the Half-year ended June 1866, I have the honor to quote as follows, from paragraph XXV. of the Staff & Manager's Half-Yearly Report, dated the 27th August 1866, at 389.

"Our Staff & Working Charges have been

have much business than in the two previous
"half years, but the increased cost was due
"to circumstances beyond our control. It will
"be seen from page 36 of Appendix A that the
"cost of Cyprus alone was 17.150 per cent of
"the total departmental expenses, and nearly 50
"per cent greater than the corresponding period in
"the state of things was due entirely to the
"operation cost of the season, in part of which
"it is only necessary to state, that the cost of
"Cyprus for the present month will be about
"200 per cent less than the month of June.
"The cost of other stores, consequent on
"increased prices have also been comparatively heavy."

Made the same table.
Very respectfully,
Wm. J. A. H. H.
Agent and Manager

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Railway Department.

No. 247.

From

Major J. M. Stewart V.C.
Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Colonel C. A. P. R. V.C.

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

Sir,

I reply to the Order of Government dated the 7th ultimo, No. 2428.
I have the honor to state that the Government of India appear to have erroneously inferred that at the end of August 1866 there was an increase of 52 miles to the length of permanent way on the North West line which was maintained from Revenue. Up to the 30th September 1866, the maintenance charges on the line between Arcum and Pripolly, 41 miles in length, were borne debited to Revenue.

MADRAS RAILWAY

The Agent and Manager

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways

Dated 29th Sept 1866

W. M. Stewart

Referring to the memo of the
Director of the 23rd Dec 66 - 4-1
in the instructions for the
to the 23rd Dec 66, I have
31st Dec 66, as completed
with that in the memo for
sent.

W. M. Stewart

Revenue, as reported in para 20 of the half yearly statement dated 29th May 1866, N^o 235. From the 1st October 1866, the charges on the extension between Tripully and Poddipully, 38 miles in length, which had been opened for traffic 2 years previously, fell for the first time upon Revenue. This at the end of the second half of 1866, 79 miles upon the North West Line were maintained from Revenue.

2. From the enclosed letter from the Agent it will be seen that the large decrease in the expenditure upon grease during the half year in question was caused entirely by the low average temperature as compared with that of the previous half year. That the consumption of grease during the last named period was far above the average was clearly stated in the half yearly report dated the 29th September 1866, N^o 397.

x N^o 304.

x para 22.

3. Due attention will be paid to the instructions conveyed in para 3 of the G. O. under reference.

Madras 3
5th September
1867

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.
J. Munro Major P. E.
Acting Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 16th Sept 1867
Read the following

from the Jns: Engineer
for Railways — (N.R. N^o 247 of 5th Sept. 1867)

Ordered that these
papers be forwarded to
the Government of India
with reference to Colonel
Dickens' letter N^o 620^R
of the 17th July 1867 —

To the Consulting Engineer
for Railways

Sept 27/67

Wm

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To the Secretary to the
Govt of India Secy.
Sir,
With reference to
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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

Dated

Received

16/10/1867.

No. 247.

Recd 16/10/1867.

Referring to P.O.

N^o 2428 dated 9th

11/11/67

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make the addition to
the working expenses
ordered in para 9—

Chb

Wm. St George
16th Sept 1867

Recd 17/9/67 with copy of Chb
2865 of 1867—

Public Works 1867 Department

Pro: of Govt for September

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Pro: of the Madras Govt
Of 16th September 1867

Passing orders on papers
from the Consulting Engineer
relative to the observations of the
Govt of India, regarding the
expenditure under maintenance
of ~~the~~ and Works on the North
West Line, entered in the Prov.
Account of the Madras Rmbrs
for the second half of 1866

Furnishing the Govt of
India with the above papers
and remarking on the subject
therein referred to.

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