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No. 212. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 4th December 1867, No. 335 :—

1. In his letter dated the 7th June last, No. 206, printed with the Order of Government, dated the 24th idem, No. 1,878, the Agent of the Madras Railway Company reported the arrangements which had been made by the Board with Messrs. Hopkins, Gilkes and Co., for the conversion of old chairs into bowl sleepers, and stated his opinion that the site for the foundry should be chosen near the Railway works at Perambore.

2. An application was subsequently received from Mr. Elwin for the land required for the foundry, and the Collector was requested, on the 19th July last, to negotiate for its early transfer to the Company. In forwarding the application, Colonel Anderson pointed out to Mr. Thornhill that although the land came under class C as per Schedule, it would in all probability be ultimately required by the Company for permanent occupation, and would in that event have to be converted into class A.

3. I have now the honor to enclose, for the orders of Government, a letter received to-day from the Collector, in which Mr. Thornhill states that as it appeared impossible to enter into any agreement for renting the land temporarily, his inquiries had been directed towards effecting a purchase, but that the prices asked by the owners were so exorbitant as to make it advisable that the land should be taken under the provisions of Act VI of 1857.

4. In this opinion I fully concur, and as the land is urgently required by the Company, I recommend that the Act in question be at once put in force.

From the Acting Collector of Madras, to the Consulting Engineer for Madras Railway, dated Sydapet, 25th November 1867, No. 350.

1. With reference to your letter of the 19th July last, No. 269, regarding the acquisition of the land adjoining the Railway Workshop at Perambore, for the purpose of establishing a foundry, I have the honor to state that I have just received the report of the Tahsildar on the question of the purchase of the land.

2. As this land is likely eventually to be required for permanent works in connection with the rail-road, it did not appear to me that it was possible to enter into any agreement for renting it temporarily, all my enquiries have therefore been directed towards effecting a purchase.

3. The Tahsildar reports that the owners ask the following prices for it:—

Cawnies 0-15-14 of cultivated Government land in Seruvellur village, at Rupees 500 per cawny.

Cawnies 5-11-8, Chinna Chembrambakam, at Rupees 400 per cawny.

Cawnies 1-5-6, Inam land in Seruvellur, at Rupees 550 per cawny.

Cawnies 1-0-10, waste land in Chinna Chembrambakam, at Rupees 400 per cawny.

Value of houses, &c., on the land at 50 to 130 Rupees per house.

4. The Tahsildar further states, that the adjoining land occupied by the Workshops was purchased in the year 1856 for Rupees 250 per cawny, and values the cultivated land now required, after making allowance for the increase in the value of property, at 300 Rupees per cawny.

5. The waste land being the property of Government, no compensation is properly claimable for it; but considering that the villagers derive certain advantage in the way of pasture, &c., from the waste land, the Tahsildar recommends that Rupees 140 per cawny may be given for it.

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6. The difference between the Tahsildar's estimate and the price asked by the owners is so considerable, that I conclude it will be better to take the land up for Government under the provisions of Act VI of 1857.

7. I have the honor to request that you will take the orders of Government on this point, and communicate with me again when they have decided as to the course to be pursued.

No. 213. ORDER THEREON, 10th December 1867, No. 3,846.

RAILWAY, No. 12.

The Consulting Engineer for Railways is requested to describe the boundaries of the land proposed to be taken up in order that the declaration required under Act VI of 1857 may be issued.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with one original letter.

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 335-

From

Major J. W. M. Shaw Stewart R. E.  
Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Colonel C. A. O'Connor R. E.

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

SIR,

In his letter dated the 7<sup>th</sup> June last No. 206, printed with the order of Government dated the 24<sup>th</sup> Idem, No. 1878, the Agent of the Madras Railway Company reported the arrangements which had been made by the Board with Messrs Hopkins, Gilkes, & Co., for the conversion of old chairs into bowl sleepers; and stated his opinion that the site for the foundry should be chosen near the Railway works at Perambore.

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3. I have now the honour to enclose, for the orders of Government, a letter received today from the Collector, in which Mr. Thornhill states that as it appeared impossible to enter into any agreement for renting the land temporarily, his inquiries had been directed towards effecting a purchase, but that the prices asked by the owner were so exorbitant as to make it advisable that the land should be taken under the provisions of Act VI of 1857.

4. In this opinion I fully concur, and as the land is urgently required by the Company, I recommend that the Act in question be at once put in force.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

Wm. Stewart Major R.E.

Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Madras  
4<sup>th</sup> December  
1867

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Under date the 10<sup>th</sup> December 1867

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*[Signature]*

To The Commr for Railways with one original letter  
Decr 11/12/67

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> }  
Received 5<sup>th</sup> } Decr 1867.

No. 335

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Enclosing a letter from the Collector of Madras regarding the land, req<sup>d</sup> for establishing a Howdah at Bangalore.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT

Dated 10<sup>th</sup>

December 1867

Directing the Consulting  
Engineer for Railways to  
describe the boundaries of  
Land required for a foundry  
near the Breconshire Workshops  
with a view to its acquisition  
under Act VI 1857.

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