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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd April 1868.*

No. 366. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 30th March 1868, No. 112:—

1. I have the honor to submit, for the approval of Government, a letter which I have this day received from the Agent of the Madras Railway, stating the terms on which he has consented to release from their agreement the Contractors upon District X, Section 2, North-West Line.

2. In my letter of the 23rd instant, No. 97,† I reported that owing to the unsatisfactory manner in which the work in this section had been proceeding, it had recently been taken out of the Contractor's hands, and that arrangements had been made for carrying it on by departmental agency.

† Paragraph 10.

3. Notice was served upon the Contractors, as provided for in Clause 24 of their Agreement, and Mr. Scott, the Resident Engineer, has subsequently carried on the work on account of the Company in accordance with the provisions of that clause; but, on several grounds, it will be satisfactory that all connections of the Contractors with the works should entirely cease.

4. I have been in communication with the Railway authorities on the subject, and as the terms upon which the Contractors have agreed to cancel their agreement appear to me to be as advantageous to the Company as can be expected, I recommend the arrangement for the approval of Government.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 28th March 1868, No. 105.

1. Adverting to the accompanying copy of a letter† from the Acting Chief Engineer, enclosing a proposition from Messrs. Moonesawmy Chetty and Ramasawmy Moodelly, the Contractors for the works on District X, Section 2, North-West Line, for the cancelling of their Agreement§ dated 4th June 1866, I

† No. 106, dated 25th March 1868.

§ Copy for reference enclosed.

have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that at an interview which I had with these Contractors yesterday, I consented to release them from their engagements upon the immediate surrender of the amount of 10 per cent. retentions from their certificates to the 31st of January last, viz., Rupees 12,376-1-3, and on their undertaking to relinquish all right and title to the tools left by them on the works.

|| 27th March.

2. The accompanying copy of a letter|| from Moonesawmy Chetty & Co. will show you that the terms stipulated for by me were accepted.

3. You are aware of the unsatisfactory manner in which these Contractors have carried on the works of District X, Section 2, North-West Line, and of the difficulty experienced in enforcing good work. I feel satisfied that the arrangement which I have effected is in every way a desirable one, and trust that it will have your approval, as well as that of the Government.

4. I will have a formal release prepared by the Solicitors, and executed with as little delay as possible.

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from the Acting Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated
Madras, 25th March 1868, No. 106..

1. Messrs. Moonesawmy Chetty and Ramasawmy Moodelly,
2. are desirous of being relieved of their
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From the Acting Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated
22nd April 1868.

1. Messrs. Moonesawmy Chetty and Ramasawmy Moodellu,
Madras, 25th March 1868, No. 106.

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- Madras, 25th March 1868, No. 106.
1. Messrs. Moonesawmy Chetty and Ramasawmy Moodelly, the Contractors for District X, Section 2, are desirous of being relieved of their contract.
2. I forward herewith a copy of their letter containing the terms upon which they propose to surrender the works into our hands.
3. The annexed statement will show you exactly the amount of the Company's liabilities to the Contractors on the 31st January last, as well as the sum to which they would become entitled under their proposed arrangement.
4. It would save a great deal of future trouble and annoyance to come to an amicable settlement with these men, and I think the terms they offer sufficiently advantageous to the Company to justify me in recommending their acceptance.
- From Messrs. MOONESAWMY CHETTY and
Chief Engineer, Madras

From Messrs. MOONESAWMY CHETTY and RAMASAWMY MOODELLY, to the Acting Chief Engineer, Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 25th March 1863.

1. We beg to inform you that, with reference to our conversation on the 10th inst., we beg to state the propositions as follows:

1. We beg to inform you that, with reference to our conversation on the 5th instant, regarding our contract of District X, Section 2, North-West Line of the Madras Railway Company, we beg to state the propositions as follows for our handing over the above said contract to the Railway Company:—
- (1.) We to pay to the Railway Company Rupees 10,000 from our reserved fund.
 - (2.) The Railway Company to pay us the balance of our reserved fund, and the value of our certificate, after deducting the amount of the general store bills.
2. We are prepared to sign a release for the safety of both parties according to your wishes.
- Messrs. MOONESAWMY

Messrs. MOONESAWMY CHETTY and RAMASAWMY MOODELLY, Contractors,
District X, Section 2, North-West Line.

Amount of 10 per cent. retentions up to
1st January, inclusive of January's certificate
Net amount due for work on
1st January

[illegible]

Messrs. MOONESAWMY CHETTY and RAMASAWMY MOON
 Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated
 with reference to our letter to the
 agreed to

arrangement
 (Signed) BERESFORD ANDERSON,
 Acting Chief Engineer.

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Messrs. MOONESAWMY CHETTY and RAMASAWMY MOODELLY, to the Agent and
Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 20th March 1868.
th reference to our letter to the Acting Chief Engineer, dated 25th February 1868, we have
agreed to pay to the Railway Company, Rupees 12,376-1-3 instead of Rupees 10,000,
balance in our favor Rupees 6,227 to be paid to us, and we are prepared to give a release
on paper as may be required.
S.—We also undertake to relinquish our right and title of the tools that were left by
District X, Section 2.

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No. 367.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd April 1868, No. 1,217.

RAILWAY, No. 32.

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The Government approve of the terms on which the Contractors for the works on District X, Section 2 of the North-West Line of the Madras Railway have been released from their agreement.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with three Enclosures.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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The Government
approve of the terms on which
the contractors for the works
on District X, Section II
of the North West Line of
the Madras Railway
W.D. have been released
from their agreement.

To Mr. [unclear] with
three enclosures
Recd 23/4/88
Gt. St. George
22nd April 1888
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[Signature]