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16th December 1868.*

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No. 410. ORDER THEREON, 16th December 1868, No. 3,938.

RAILWAY, No. 35.

Ordered that this letter be forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

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From

Captain J. G. Lindsay M.E.
Ag. Eng. Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Colonel L. A. Orr M.E.

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

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Madras
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 J. H. Mackay, Captain R.E.
 Agt. Dy. Comm. Engrs. for Mys.

P. H. Mackay

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From
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Dated 23rd November 1868.
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