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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th February 1869.*

No. 402. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 27th January 1869 :—

Read the following letter from the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 20th January 1869, No. 2,874.

1. In paragraph 5 of your letter, No. 435, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, you say the Railway Agents "are far less likely to impose prohibitory rates for the conveyance of merchandize than in the case of passengers" and they "are not disposed to adopt measures likely to drive off their lines any portion of their goods traffic."

2. If this remark passed unnoticed, silence might be construed into an admission on my part, that in advocating the adoption of a passenger scale which would leave a reasonable margin for the exercise of a discretion by the Company in varying the working rates as circumstances might require, it was my desire to establish prohibitory rates for the conveyance of passengers.

3. I trust that you will convey this my assurance to Government, that my action with regard to the establishment of a maximum scale of passenger fares has been regulated throughout with but one intention, that of obtaining the most remunerative fares for the Company I represent. A prohibitory scale, or in other words a scale which would not produce the result I desired, would certainly not receive my support.

1. Submitted, at the request of the Agent, for the information of Government.

2. The expression in my letter of the* 2nd ultimo, No. 435, upon which the Agent comments, was certainly used with reference chiefly to the third class fare of 5 pies per mile which was in force upon the Great Southern Railway during the year 1867, and which had the effect† of driving off the line 25 per cent. of its passengers.

* Vide G. O., 11th January 1869, No. 74.

† Vide G. O., 20th December 1867, No. 3,936.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 403. ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1869, No. 497.

RAILWAY, No. 30.

1. Ordered to be recorded.

2. The Consulting Engineer will furnish a copy of his observations to Mr. Betts.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Ed. G. A. Turton.

Govt. of 1869

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

RAIL

Dated February, 1869.

Recd.

1869.

G. O., 15th February 1869, No. 197.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 402-403

Great Southern of India Railway—
Passing orders on the Under-mentioned of the
Consulting Engineer, stating that his obser-
vations in letter, No. 455 of the 2nd De-
cember 1868, were made with reference
chiefly to the 3rd class fare of 5 pice per
mile which was in force upon the Great
Southern of India Railway during 1-67.

N° 2874

GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENTS' OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 20th January 1869

From

THE AGENT

Great Southern of India Railway,

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras.

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I have the honor to be
 Your most obedient servant
~~James B. Green~~
 Agent.

to the
 The Company
 The Connecting Engineer
 for Railways
 dated 20th
 Received 22 January 1869
 W. 20 97 33 7/16
 Chemicals
 notes and prices

Submitted, at the request of the Agent, for the information of Government.

The expression in my letter of the 2nd ultimo N° 435, upon which the Agent comments, was certainly used with reference chiefly to the third class fare of 5 piers per mile which was in force upon the Great Southern Railway during the year 1867, and which had the effect of driving off the 25 per cent of its passengers.

Headquarters
 27th January 1869
 Major McC
 Chief Engineer for Railways

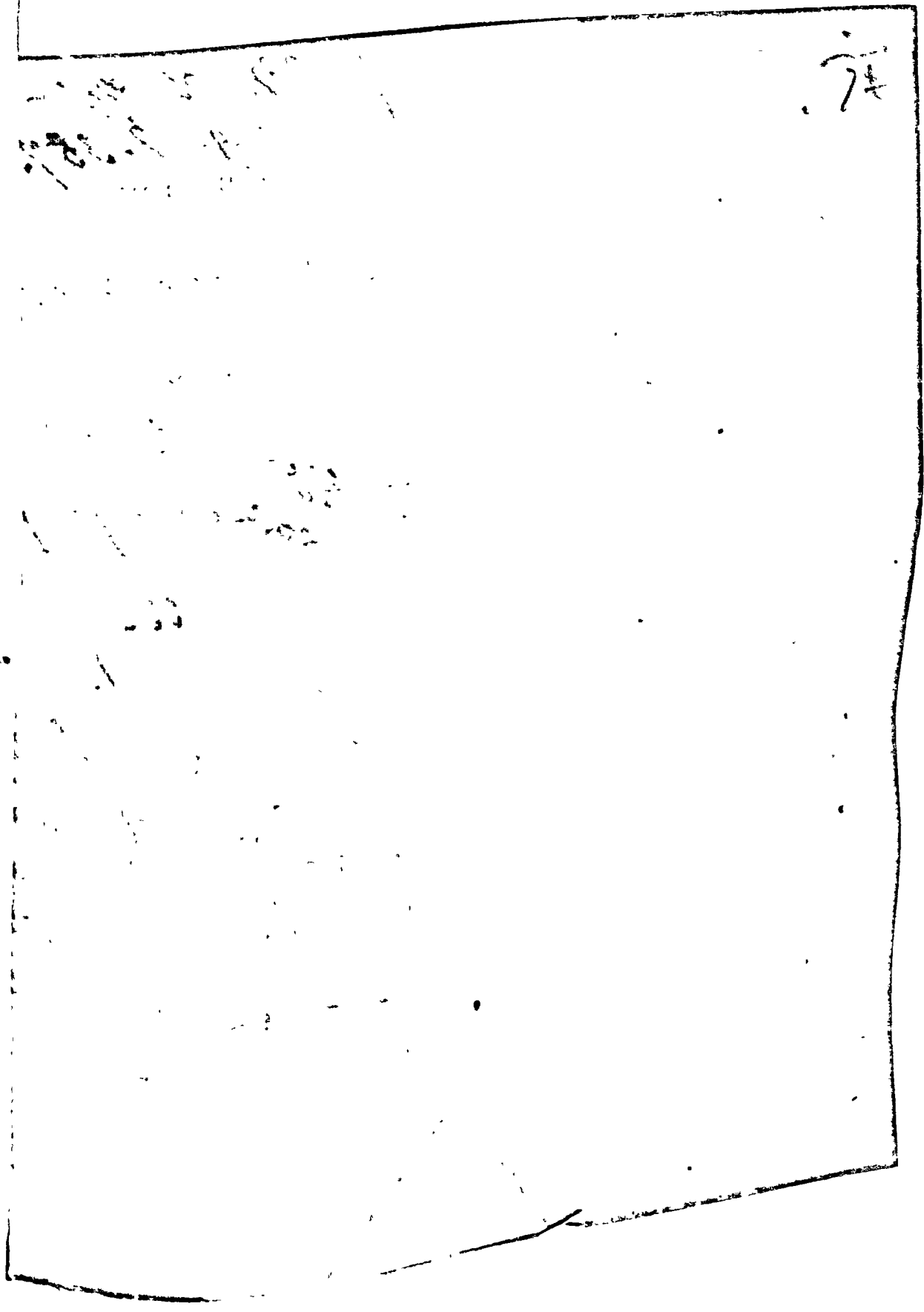
The Secretary to Government
 Public Works Department
 Port Saint George

Recd 16/2/69

I have just received from
 the Hon. Secy of the
 Interior a copy of the
 report of the
 Commissioner of
 the General Land
 Office for the year
 1864. It contains
 a full and complete
 statement of the
 operations of the
 Department during
 the year, and also
 a list of the lands
 which have been
 surveyed and
 entered for sale.

The Secretary, however,
 remarks that the
 amount was not
 one million dollars
 any more, as the
 Department has
 been able to
 obtain a large
 amount of money
 from the sale of
 the lands.

Yours truly,
 Wm. A. R.



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 Railways.
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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 15th Feb^y/69

Read the following

From the *For Inspect for*
Railways (Here enter No. 33 dated 27th Jan^y/69)

Ordered to be recorded.

The Consulting En-
gineers will furnish a
copy of his ~~present~~ observa-
-tions to Mr. Betts.

W.B.

To
The Comm^r Engrs for
Railways.
Rec^d 21/6/2/69

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*1. 10th 10th 2nd Dept^y
1864. No. 334.*
RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From
The Comm^r, Engineer for Railways,
To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Dept.

Dated 27th Jan^y 1869.
Received 28th

No. 33-
Enclosures, No. 1.

No 497-15th Feb^y/69.
Observations on
a letter from the Asst^t
& Traffic Manager of the
G-I-S. Ry, regarding
rates & fares.

No 402

30th Jan^y 1869 - 6th July/69 With an order

Cue 357
Govt. of [1869] Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engr.
for Railways

Dated

Recd.

Encl. 1

G. O. 15 Feb 1869, No. 197

Nos. 402-403

Copy of the
Great S^d of I. Ry *Endorsement of*
the Comy Engr stating that his ob-
servations in letter No. 435 of
the 2^d December 68 were made
with reference chiefly to the 3^d Chap-
fure of 5 p^{cs} per mile which
was in force upon the Great S^d
of India. Ry during 1867.