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4th January 1870.*

No 1. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 18th November 1869, No 380 —

Read the following letter from the Acting Locomotive Superintendent, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Perambore Works, 1st November 1869, No. 215

I BEG to report that a slight accident occurred to the 6 A.M. north train on the 29th ultimo, in consequence of the absence of a pointsman at Tadputri.

2. The train, on approaching Tadputri Station, was nearly brought to a stand, in consequence of the level crossing gate being closed, and a danger signal exhibited, (the station signal at the same time showed an "all right" signal). On the train getting close up to the gate it was opened, and the driver then proceeded at a slow speed on to the station, but on approaching the south points of a through "lay-bye" siding at the station, (which are not far from the level crossing,) the driver discovered that the pointsman was not at his post, and before he could pull up his engine, the two leading wheels were thrown off the line, and the train had come into collision with some waggons standing in the siding.

3. Fortunately, beyond one of the sand pipes being bent, no damage was done either to the engine or train

4. The driver reports that, after the engine got off the line, he thought he saw a man running away; but, as it was dark at the time, he would be unable to identify him

5. The driver and permanent-way Inspector managed to get the engine on to the line without much delay; the time lost being only about ninety minutes

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

1st November 1869

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN.
Agent and Manager.

From the Traffic Manager, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 17th November 1869, No. 367.

ACCIDENT to 6 A.M. train from Madras at Tadputri Station on the 29th October.

2. The Station Master has been fined, by the Deputy Magistrate of Tadputri, 25 rupees, for ordering the "all right" signal to be exhibited before he satisfied himself that all the pointsmen were at their posts, and Kolun, the Acting Pointsman, has been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment for absenting himself from the points, of which he had been placed in charge, thereby endangering the safety of the train.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer, with reference to Mr. Collinson's report of the 1st instant, No. 215

17th November 1869

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

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4th January 1870.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R E.,
Consng Engr. for Railways.

ORDER THEREON, 4th January 1870, No. 1.

RAILWAY, No. 1.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R E.,
Secretary to Government.

Consulting Engineer for Railways

E. C. Shunker

No 215.

Madras Railway Company
Loco-Superintendent's Office
Percambore works 1st hour 1870

To

The Agent and Manager,
Dear Sir,

I beg to report that a slight accident occurred to the 6th North Train on the 29th ultimo in consequence of the absence of a Painterman at Gadpetur.

The Train on approaching Gadpetur station was nearly brought to a stand in consequence of the level-crossing gate being closed and a danger signal exhibited (the station signal at the same time showed an "allright" signal). On the Train getting close up to the gate it was opened, and the Driver then proceeded at a slow speed on to the station, but on approaching the South points of a through "lay bye" siding at the station (which are not far from the level crossing), the Driver discovered that the Painterman was not at his post, and before he could pull up his Engine, the two leading wheels were thrown off the Line and the Train had come into collision with some wagons standing in the siding.

Fortunately, beyond one of the sand pipes being bent, no damage was done either to the Engine or Train.

The Driver reports that after the Engine got off the Line he thought he saw a man running away, but as it was dark at the time he would be unable to

identify him -

The Driver and Permanent Way Inspector managed to get the engine on to the line without much delay - the time lost being only about 90 minutes

Yours faithfully,
H. J. Collins and
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/ True Copy
W. J. H. M.
Agent & Manager

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
17 November 1869

Comptroller

Madras Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
Madras 17 Nov 1869

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Dear Sir,
Accident to the New Train from Madras
at Gadputur Station on the 29th October.

The Station Master has been fined by the Deputy Magistrate of Gadputur 25 Rs for ordering the "all right" signal to be exhibited before he satisfied himself that all the Points were at their posts, and Golum, the acting Pointman, has been sentenced to 6 months rigorous imprisonment for absenting himself from the Points of which he had been placed in charge thereby endangering the safety of the Train.

Yours faithfully
H. B. Church
Traffic Manager.

To
The Agent & Manager
Madras Railway Co.
/ True Copy /

W. J. H. M.
Agent & Manager

For the information of the Consulting Engineer with reference to the Collins's report of the 1st instant, No 215
17 November 1869.

No. 380.

Submitted for the information of Government

W. H. Stewart
Major R.E.
Consgr Engr for Railways

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras, 18th November, 1869

To
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George

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From

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

To

The Secretary to Government,
P W Department,
Fort St. George,

Dated

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Railway Accidents—
Papers submitted by
the Comy. Engrs. relative
to the occurrence of an
accident to the C. & M.
Train from Madison to
Tadpole on the 27th
October last, recorded.

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