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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st November 1870.*

No. 373. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 8th November 1870, No. 444:—

Read the following letter from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 7th November 1870, No. 620.

ADVERTING to your letter No. 617, of the 2nd instant, I have the honour to state that the Traffic Manager reports as follows in reference to the accident which occurred at Perambore on the 27th ultimo:—

“ The person in charge of the points was a Porter employed at the Perambore station who had frequently acted as Pointsman. He was prosecuted before Mr. Chamberlain, the Magistrate of the Sydapett Court, and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment. As the Station Master exhibited, in my opinion, very great want of judgment in withdrawing the regular Pointsman from his duties, simply for the purpose of making inquiry into some report made against him, I have removed the Station Master from his appointment and reduced him to the grade of a relieving Station Master.”

From the Deputy Traffic Manager, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 28th October 1870, No. C.-708.

I BEG to report, for your information, that the engine and tender and four goods waggons of the 6 A.M. train from Jollarpett yesterday was thrown off the line at the Perambore Workshop west points, and the line blocked from about 4 to about 11 P.M., and, in consequence, the trains were delayed for some time. There was no damage done, I believe, beyond the breakage of a few pot sleepers. I am inquiring into the cause of the accident, and will furnish you with particulars as early as possible.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways for information.

(Signed) J. W. MELLIS,
For the Agent and Manager.

29th October 1870.

From the Acting Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 29th October 1870, No. 567.

Mr. C. D. Roberts, Resident Engineer, 1st Division, South-West Line, reports* that the 6 A.M. train from Jollarpett of yesterday was thrown off the line at the western points at Perambore Workshop by the indecision of the man who was working the points, he first putting the train on the siding, and then, seeing his mistake, reversing the points, and so throwing the engine and tender and four waggons off the rails. The engine was off at about 4 P.M., and was again placed on the rails at about 8-30 P.M., the tender about an hour afterwards, the remainder of the vehicles being placed on the rails in the meantime. The road was put in order so far as to admit of the train going on at 10-20 P.M.

* Dated 28th October 1870, No. 966.

The damage done to the permanent way is as follows:—

Tie bars, broken	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Do., bent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40
Pots, broken	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60
Middle chairs, broken...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Fish bolts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10

The road now is in good order.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st November 1870.*

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways for information, in continuation of the
Deputy Traffic Manager's letter No. C.-708, of the 28th October.
31st October 1870.

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

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, Captain, R.E.,
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 374. ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1870, No. 2,791.
RAILWAY, No. 45.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 620.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGERS' OFFICE.

Madras, 7th November 1870.

From

Robert B. Elwin Esq.

Agent and Manager, M. R. C.

To

Captain H. L. Prendergast, R.E.,

Ag. Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

Adverting to your letter No. 617
of the 2nd instant, I have the honor to state
that the Traffic Manager reports as
follows in reference to the accident which
occurred at Perambore on the 27th ultimo.

The person in charge of the Points
was a Porter employed at the Perambore
Station who had frequently acted as
"Pointman". He was prosecuted before
Mr. Chamberlain, the Magistrate of the
Hydrabad Court, and sentenced to six
months rigorous imprisonment. As the
Station Master exhibited, in my opinion,
very great want of judgment in withdrawing
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simply for the purpose of making enquiry
into some report made against him, I
have removed the Station Master from
his appointment and reduced him to the

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours most obedient servant.

W. H. Mather
Agent & Manager.

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Madras Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
Madras 28th October 1870.

C/o
708.

To

The Agent and Manager
Madras Railway Company

Dear Sir,

I beg to report for your information that the Engine and tender and 4 Goods wagons of the 6.0 A.M. Train from Talarpett yesterday was thrown off the Line at the Perambur workshop West Point and the Line blocked from about 4.0 to about 11.0 P.M. and in consequence the Trains were delayed for some time. There was no damage done, I believe, beyond the breakage of a few pot shears. I am enquiring into the cause of the accident and will furnish you with particulars as early as possible.

Yours faithfully
Wm. H. Hugo
Dep. Traffic Manager.

True copy
J. H. Melles.
for the Agent & Manager

To

The Ag. Consulting Engineer
for Railways
for information.
29th Oct 1870.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

P. N. 4528/70

Date 1st of November 1870.

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No. 620.

I am enclosing further particulars in reference to the accident to the 6.0 A.M. Train from Talarpett at Perambur in the 2nd column.

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Madras Railway Company,
Chief Engineer's Office,
Madras, 29th October 1870

The Agent and Manager
Dear Sir

Of 28 Oct. 1870
No 66

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1st Division South West Line reports* that the 6.0 AM
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the Engine and Tender and four waggons off the rails.
The Engine was off at about 4 P.M. and was again
placed on the rails at about 8.30 P.M. the Tender about
an hour afterwards, the remainder of the train
being placed on the rails in the meantime. The
road was put in order so far as to admit of the Train
going on at 10.20 P.M.

The damage done to the permanent way
is as follows.

Tie bars broken	4
— do — bent	40
Posts broken	60
Middle Chairs broken	3
Fish Bolts	10

The road is now in good order.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- J. H. Young
Acting Chief Engineer
The Agent and Manager
The Ag. Cons Engineer for Railways
for information in continuation of the Dy. Traffic Manager's
letter No 6/708 of the 28th October.
31st Oct 1870

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No. 444.

Submitted for the information of Government.

[Signature] Captain,
R.E.

ASSISTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Aras, 8th November 1870.

[Signature] Asst. Consgr. Engr. for Railways.

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

Public Works 1870. Department

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

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

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