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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th December 1870.*

No. 165. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 18th November 1870, No. 450:—

From the Agent and Manager of the Carnatic Railway Company, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 8th November 1870, No. 2.

In compliance with the request contained in your letter, No. 230, dated the 4th instant, I have the honour to submit herewith an estimate of the furniture which I am likely to require to provide for the staff necessary for conducting the agency business in conjunction with the accounts of the Traffic Department of the portion of the line now open between Arcotum and Conjeeveram.

Estimate of the Furniture, etc., required for the Office of the Agent and Manager.

Description.	Quantity.	Rate.		Amount.			Remarks.
	No.	RS.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
Office tables with 4 drawers.	1			50	0	0	
Do. chair	1			35	0	0	
Do.	0			Reduced to	10	0	
Almirahs	2	Reduced to 5	0	Do.	42	0	
Safes, Milner's, small	1	60	0	Do.	30	0	
Do. large	1	Do. 50	0	Do.	120	0	
Wash-stand complete	1			Do.	10	0	
Tumbler glasses ...	3			60	0	0	For cash and books.
Goglets	3	1	0	Do.	186	12	
Office table, Chief Clerk	1			18	0	0	
Do. Writers	4			3	0	0	
Do. chairs... ..	6	20	0	40	0	0	
Do. boxes	2	Do. 15	0	Do.	80	0	
Copying Press, large size	1	Do. 5	0	Do.	30	0	
Commodore	2	Do. 4	0	Do.	24	0	
Stationery, ink, rulers, paper-weights, and other contingencies	...	Do. 40	0	Do.	80	0	For Agent and Chief Engineer.
		Do. 20	0	Do.	40	0	
		12	0	Do.	32	0	
				Do.	24	0	
				19	4	0	
				Do.	71	0	
				1,000	0	0	
				Do.	750	0	

From the Agent and Manager of the Carnatic Railway Company, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 8th November 1870, No. 4.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 232, dated the 5th instant, requesting to be informed of the position that I propose should be held by the Clerk on Rupees 200 per month, whose entertainment I had submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. In reply, and in explanation of that proposition, I beg leave to observe that my object was, and is, to obtain the services of a person to act as my Chief Assistant in the management of the office

8th December 1870.

establishment, both as regards the accounts of the preliminary survey and the traffic of the open line, and although such a person perhaps would ultimately require a larger salary than that suggested, I thought I might, for the present at any rate, obtain the services of a sufficiently competent and responsible person to do all that was required, and afterwards, if the incumbent proved efficient, I might obtain the sanction of Government to an increase of the salary as the duties became more onerous—such an officer being nominated by myself here.

3. With reference to paragraph 3 of your letter, the portion of the traffic staff which I propose to remove to Madras are Mr. Watson and the three Writers, leaving Mr. Lea Hair, the Store-keeper, and the Station Master at Arconum, so that, by dealing with the accounts of the open line, I could also utilize the Writers and probably also Mr. Watson in case of need in the general business of the agency. I submit this proposition as a temporary arrangement and with a view to economy, and one which appears to offer the greatest convenience both to the Company and the officers of the Government.

4. With reference to my estimate for furniture for the office, referred to in a separate communication, although I have included the whole probable requirements of the establishment, in the event of my proposition being generally approved, I should of course transfer what furniture I could from the traffic office to the general office without purchasing new.

From the Agent and Manager of the Carnatic Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras 17th November 1870, No. 10.

With reference to your letter No. 290, I quite concur in the suggestion that the Clerk whose entertainment I have had the honour to submit for the approval of Government at Rupees 200 per mensem, should be designated "Chief Book-keeper," and that was really what I intended in my letter No. 1, dated the 3rd instant, but I had overlooked the title in the list of the office establishment for India, embraced in the Board's printed letter of instructions.

2. The appointment of the Chief Clerk or Agent's Clerk, by which I understand one and the same officer is meant, may, I think, with propriety be deferred until the actual construction of the line is commenced, when no doubt the work will be materially increased.

3. In the meantime I have, with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co.'s consent, secured provisionally the services of Mr. Thompson, the Clerk, who has had charge of the books under their agency, and I trust that in this arrangement the convenience and wishes of the Government will be best promoted.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of this office endorsement No. 440 of the 3rd instant.

2. The Agent of the Carnatic Railway Company explains that he proposes to entertain, on a present salary of Rupees 200, a Chief Book-keeper as Manager of his office establishment, and to bring to Madras temporarily Mr. Watson, the Assistant Manager at Arconum, and the three Clerks from the same place. Mr. Fisher also states that he has the benefit of the services of Mr. Thompson, who is acquainted with the work hitherto carried on by the Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. These arrangements appear to me satisfactory; the designation Chief Book-keeper being that adopted by the Board of Directors in their printed letter to the Agent, dated 13th September 1870; but the estimate for furniture is, I think, excessive, and I have made alterations in pencil which reduce the amount from Rupees 1,000 to Rupees 750. I recommend the latter sum for the sanction of the Government to be available for the purchase of the furniture as found necessary.

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

No. 166.

ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1870, No. 2,982.

RAILWAY, No. 22.

THE Government approve of the arrangements proposed by the Agent of the Carnatic Railway Company for organizing his office establishment, and, agreeing with the Consulting Engineer that the estimate for furniture is excessive, His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions a sum of Rupees 750 for its purchase, as the articles may be found necessary.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

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Estimate of the Furniture &c. required for the Office
of the Agent and Manager.

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Office Tables with 4 drawers	1		50	-	-	
do Chairs	1		10	35	-	
do	6	5/-	30	42	-	
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Safes Milners Small	1		60	-	-	} for Cash & Books
do Large	1		186	12	-	
Wash stand Complete	1		18	-	-	
Smokers glasses	3	1/-	3	-	-	
Goggles	3	1/3	1	-	-	
Office Table Chief Clerk	1		40	-	-	
do Writers	4	15/-	60	-	-	
do Chairs	6	4/-	24	30	-	
do Bunks	2	22/-	44	80	-	} for Agent & Chief Engineer
Copying Press large size	1		32	-	-	
Commodore	2	12/-	24	-	-	
Stationery, Ink, Pens, Paper weights &c.			71	-	-	
and other Contingencies			498	4	-	
Totals			750	-	-	
			1000	-	-	

J. T. Fisher
Agent and Manager

Enclosure

1

Barnatic Railway Co. (Limited)

Madras Nov 8th 1870.

No 2.

Sir,

In compliance with the request contained in your letter No 280 dated the 4th Inst., I have the honor to submit herewith an estimate of the Provision which I am likely to require to provide for the Staff necessary for conducting the Agency business in conjunction with the accounts of the traffic department of the portion of the line now open between Arcot and Chengam.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedt. Servt.

J. J. Fisher

Co. The Actg. Consulting Engineer for Railway.

Agent and Manager
Kungumbakur.

Encl 4694/10

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Barnatic Railway Co. Limited,
Madras Nov- 8th 1870.

No. 4.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 282 dated the 5th Nov^r. Inst. requesting to be informed of the position that I propose should be held by the clerk on Rs 200 per month, whose entertainment I had submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. In reply and in explanation of that proposition I beg leave to observe, that my object was and is to obtain the services of a person to act as my chief assistant in the management of the office establishment both as regards the accounts of the preliminary survey and the traffic of the open line, and altho such a person perhaps would ultimately require a larger salary than that

Received 10 Nov 1870
Estimated by J. C. M. 1870
J. C. M. 1870

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3. With reference to para 3 of your letter, the portion of the traffic staff which I propose to remove to Madras are Mr. Kerton and the three writers leaving Mr. Lea Hain, the storekeeper and the Station Master at Arcot, so that by dealing with the accounts of the open line, I could also utilize the writers and probably also Mr. Kerton in case of need in the general business of the Agency - I submit this proposition as a temporary arrangement and with a view to economy and one which appears to offer the greatest convenience both to the Company and the officers of the Government.

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Yours most obedt. Servt.

J. J. Fisher
Agent and Manager

The Actg. Consulting Engineer for Railways
Kumbakonam.

which is Mr. Kerton's
writing
in the
establishment
at Arcot

No 10. *Canal Railway Co Ltd*
Madras 17th November 1870

From The Agent & Manager
To. *Canal Railway Company.*
 The Chief Engineer
 for Railways.

With reference to your letter No 240
 I quite concur in the suggestion,
 that the Clerk whose entertainment
 I have had the honor to submit
 for the approval of Government
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Establishment

No 4694/70

Subscribed at 22nd Nov 1870

Arbuthnot & Co's Consent, secured
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the clerk, who has had charge of
the Books, under their Agency, and
I trust that in this arrangement, the
Convenience and wishes of the Govern-
ment, will be best promoted.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours most obedient servant
Mr J. Fisher
Agent & Manager

Mr 4694/190

James Wilson Esq
of office at the Government

No 10

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS.
Dated 11th March 1870
REC'D.

THE SECRETARIES & AGENTS
ARBUTHNOT & CO
LIMITED
MADRAS.

No 450

Submitted to Government
in continuation of this Office endorsement
No 440, of the 3rd instant.

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Wm. Sandercock, Captain R.E.
Madras 3
18 November 1850 } Acting Comr. Engineer
for Railways

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.
Fort Saint George.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.
 From The Consulting Engineer
 for Railways (H. E. No. 450 of 18th Dec 1870)
 Read the following

Public Works Dept.
 Secy to Govt.
 1870.

From The Consulting Engineer
 for Railways,

To The Secretary to Govt.
 P. W. Dept.

Dated 18th Dec 1870.
 Received 21st Dec 1870.
 Encls: 1 No. 450-

Submitting for
 the orders of Government
 letters received from the
 Agent of the Carnatic Ry.
 regarding Office Establish-
 ment &c.

2982-8th Dec 1870

The Government
 approve of the arrange-
 ments proposed by the
 Agent of the Carnatic
 Railway Company
 for organizing his office
 establishment, and agreeing
 with the Consulting En-
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 for furniture is ex-
 cessive. His Excellency
 the Governor in Council
 sanctions a sum of Rs.
 750. for its purchase,
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A. A.

J. M.

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as the articles may
be found necessary -

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Govt. of 1870: Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Consulting Engineer
for Railways.
S.M.

Dated

Recd.

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G. O. 8th Dec 1870. N. 2982

Nos. 165 & 166

Office Establishment. Approving
the arrangements proposed by
the Agent of the Madras Railways
Company for organizing his
Office Establishment and
authorizing a sum of Rs. 75
for the purchase of office
furniture.

Dec 9/12/70