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No. 245. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 11th January 1870, No. 13 :—

REFERRING to recent Orders regarding the restriction of expenditure on Capital account of the Guaranteed Railway Companies, and especially to the order of Government, dated the 27th August 1869, No. 2,809, I have the honour to solicit instructions with regard to the accompanying estimate, amounting to Rupees 2,006, for the provision of a clock and clock-tower at the Great Southern of India Railway Workshops at Negapatam. The reasons for incurring the expenditure are explained in two letters* from the Agent, which are herewith submitted. It will be seen that the clock has been sent out from England, having been included in an indent which was sanctioned in November 1867. Its cost has been Rupees 1,506; and the balance of the estimate, Rupees 500, provides for a small tower according to the enclosed plan.

* No. 3,242, dated 13th Dec. 1869.
,, 3,267, ,, 3rd Jan. 1870.

2. There can be no doubt that the proposed provision of a clock will conduce to the efficiency of the workshops; but at the same time it is impossible to say either that the expenditure is likely to lead to increased income, or that it is required to secure what is now realized. Proposals for similar works are frequently brought forward, and I shall be glad to receive general instructions as to how they should be dealt with.

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 13th December 1869, No. 3,242.

WILL you please obtain the sanction of Government to an estimated expenditure of Rupees 2,006-1-1 for the provision of a clock-tower at Negapatam. The estimate and plan for this work are sent herewith. The clock has been received from England on an indent previously sanctioned by Government.

2. This outlay should be classed as "unforeseen expenditure on lines which have been open for traffic for more than two years."

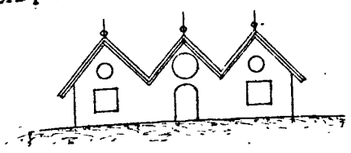
From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 3rd January 1870, No. 3,267.

ATTACHED I forward copy of a report from the Locomotive Superintendent in reply to your letter, No. 426, of the 20th ultimo, relative to the proposed clock-tower at Negapatam.

From E. G. SHEWARD, Esq., to W. S. BETTS, Esq., dated Negapatam, 29th December 1869, No. 611,

YOUR No. $\frac{15,372}{5,915}$, clock-tower, Negapatam.

I CANNOT say that I anticipate any increased revenue to result from the erection of this tower. The clock was sent out from home to satisfy an acknowledged want at Negapatam works (as at all other large assemblages of workmen), viz., a standard time piece, whereby to indicate and regulate the work performed, in place of a number of small clocks varying the one from the other. The place intended for the clock was the centre large opening in front of carriage shop over large doorway, and the clock came out of the required dimensions for this place. Mr. Logan, however, suggested a tower over time office as being more sightly and conspicuously placed; in this I agreed with him: hence the indent for sanction.



The clock is a very fine piece of workmanship, and should be placed well as a general indicator in tower, away from vibration and dirt.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th February 1870.

No. 246. ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1870, No. 501.

RAILWAY, No. 28.

WITH this letter the Consulting Engineer for Railways submits for orders an estimate of Rupees 2,006 for providing a clock and tower for the Great Southern of India Railway Workshops at Negapatam.

2. As it appears that the clock has been already received from England on an indent duly passed, and that it is designed to meet an acknowledged want, His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the estimate and authorizes the outlay being debited to Capital.

3. The Government of India have been requested to issue early orders regarding the nature of charges which are debitable to the Capital account of Guaranteed Railway Companies, and pending their receipt each case must be dealt with on its merits.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Rai

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Railway Department.

No. 13.

From Major J. W. M. Shaw Stewart R E.
Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To Colonel C. A. Orr R E.
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

Referring to recent orders regarding the restriction of expenditure on Capital account of the guaranteed Railway Companies, and especially to the order of Government dated the 27th August 1869, No. 2809, I have the honour to solicit instructions with regard to the accompanying estimate, amounting to Rupees 2006, for the provision of a clock and clock-tower at the Great Southern of

India Railway workshops at Negapatam. The reasons for incurring the expenditure are explained in two letters from the Agent, which are herewith submitted.* It will be seen that the clock has been sent out from England, having been included in an indent which was sanctioned in November 1867. Its cost has been Rupees 1506; and the balance of the estimate, Rupees 500, provides for a small tower according to the enclosed plan.

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* No 3242 dated 13th December 1869. No 3267 dated 30th January 1870.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

Madras
11th January
1870

Major R.E.

Comr: Engineer for Rys

Public Works Department
No 501

From The Secretary to Government
To The Consulting Engineer for Railways
Madras dated the 12th February 1870

Read the following

From The Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 11th January 1870 No 13

Submitting letter from Agent Southern Railways dated 10th instant with its enclosure and letters and plan accompanying it

Read also the proceedings of Board and letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways dated 15th January 1870 No 2115

Ordered that the Agent be informed that the Board have already requested from England an estimate for the proposed clock and clock tower at Negapatam.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

No 119

From

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To

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

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To

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Lr. Sd. Dy Comptroller Estimate &
Rs 2206 for furnishing a Clock
and tower for the Govt Observatory
Nungambaukum at Nyapalam,
Sanctioned with Remarks.