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No. 54. Read the following letter from the Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Railway,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Simla, 17th September 1870, No. 1,585 R. :—

In reply to your No. 2,105, dated 1st September 1870, on the comparative value of coal and wood for fuel, I am directed to inquire whether the Australian coal, of which such favourable mention is made, is available or can be procured in any large quantities without materially affecting the price at which it has hitherto been laid down. If, as appears to be the case, this coal is the cheapest fuel for locomotive purposes, there may possibly be a large demand for it, but the circumstances of trade might in this event largely affect the price at which the coal could be bought, and I am desired to request that the Government of India may be favoured with any information on the subject that can be furnished by the Government of Madras.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1870, No. 2,391.

RAILWAY, No. 4.

COMMUNICATED to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to G. O., No. 2,104, dated 1st September 1870, and with a view to his furnishing the particulars required by the Government of India regarding the Australian coal; and for the submission of such information as he may be able to collect as to the circumstances which, in connection with trade, may affect the price at which the commodity may be purchased.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

All communications
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I have the honor to be,
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Your most obedient servant,

W. M. S. P.
Assistant Secretary.

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Govt of India

Dated 17th Sept 70
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