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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th April 1871.*

No. 87. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Railway,) dated Fort William, 25th March 1871, No. 238-A. R. :—

IN Public Works Department Resolution, Nos. 49-54 A. R., of the 6th ultimo, it was stated that the Governor-General in Council proposed inviting the attention of the Local Government concerned to the necessity of placing a limit to the amount of Guaranteed Capital locked up in stores purchased by Railway Companies. The Secretary of State has since addressed a despatch to the Government of India on this important subject.

2. In order that the Government of India may have the necessary information for dealing with it, the Governor-General in Council requests that the Local Governments and Administrations concerned will have statements prepared and sent forward at an early date, showing the value of all stores in hand *in all departments* of each Railway under their control, sub-divided under the following heads :—

Plant.

Permanent-way materials.

Locomotives (unereected).

Rolling-stock (unereected), including carriage and waggon iron-work.

Coal, coke, and wood.

Miscellaneous stores.

3. Besides the above, any special materials in stock should be entered under a suitable heading; amongst these latter should be included any spare bridge-girders, iron-roofing, etc., such as are in stock on some Railways.

4. The statements should be accompanied by notes from the Consulting Engineers, explaining any special circumstances that may have led to a large accumulation of stores under any one head, and in sending them forward, Local Governments and Administrations should particularly state the limit that, in their opinion, ought to be placed on the amount of Capital that may be allowed to be locked up in store; in doing this, the probable ultimate requirements of the several lines should be taken to account, as well as the large accumulation of stores that has taken place on most Railways. It will probably be found necessary to allow a large margin to commence with in excess of ultimate requirements, and that such present limit should be reduced each half-year until a fair proportionate sum is reached in each case.

5. In dealing with this case, the opinions of the Railway authorities should be taken on the proposal, and also as to the desirability of sending forward half-yearly indents for stores required from England instead of indenting annually as is now done. As it is important that this subject should be dealt with without delay, His Excellency in Council desires that no unnecessary delay may be allowed in sending forward the replies to this Resolution.

Madras. | Bengal.
Bombay. | Punjab.
Oudh.

ORDER.—Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted for the purpose indicated.

(Signed) J. J. McLEOD INNES,
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 88. ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1871, No. 1,009.

RAILWAY, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting
Engineer for Railways in continuation
of G. O., No. 595, dated 1st March 1871.

2. Major Prndergast will obtain and submit the statements required by the Government of India of stores in hand in all departments of the Railways in this Presidency, together with the explanatory notes referred to in paragraph 4. Attention is particularly drawn to the instructions in paragraphs 4 and 5.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Ed. E. C. Shanker.

No. 238 A—R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.
Railway.

FORT WILLIAM, MARCH 25, 1871.

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Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To the Government of Madras
P.W. Department, Railway Branch

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ACCOUNT.
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To

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No. *238* A—R.

Dated March 25, 1871.

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Capital locked up in Stores by Guaranteed Railway Companies.

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Under date the 12th April 1871.
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The Comptroller for
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W.S. Desf. 12/6/71. In reply to the letter
P.L. Desf. 22/6/71. From the Comptroller General of the
R.R. 25th Nov. 1871

Paras 4 and 5 of 12/6/71

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