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A CASE has lately been laid before the Government of India in which a Station Master on a Guaranteed Railway declined to receive a small package weighing two seers and forward it as Government baggage, under a warrant tendered by the Quarter Master General's Department, under the impression that the Railway Company would, if the parcel were so despatched, only receive the rate paid for Government baggage accompanying troops, and not that for parcels.

2. The provisions of the Railway Contracts in this respect make it obligatory on the Companies to carry all general stores of Government and all military stores and equipments whatsoever at the lowest rates for the time being chargeable for such goods and merchandize. Under these provisions the Government of India are of opinion that the charge of parcels rates in cases of the kind under notice is legitimate, and should be paid. It may, however, be frequently a matter of convenience to despatch packages under a warrant instead of by a pre-payment in cash, and the Railway Companies should therefore be requested to issue instructions for the acceptance of such warrants as a sufficient voucher for the recovery from Government, in the usual manner, of the proper charge at the authorized rates. If the package comes under the definition of a parcel, parcels rates should be paid.

(Signed) E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Major, R E,
Deputy Secretary.

No. 182. ORDER THEREON, 11th September 1871, No. 2,315.

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COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer who will move the Agents of the Railway Companies to issue the necessary instructions for the acceptance of warrants from the Quarter Master General's Department as a sufficient voucher for the recovery of the authorized charges on articles tendered for transmission.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.
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