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No 344. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 10th February 1871, No. 66 —

I HAVE the honour to report that, on the 7th instant, I inspected the last section of the branch into Bellary from the North-west Line of the Madras Railway, with a view to the early opening of the Bellary Station for traffic.

2. The roadway from Veerapore, the present temporary terminus, is in good order, and fit for passenger trains to run over, the line is sufficiently ballasted, and the aloe-hedge, though young and rather poor at parts, looks thriving, and has grown well between the Huggry river and Bellary. The Chief Engineer expects to receive very soon the iron fencing to secure the line from trespass. There is one temporary bridge on which the iron girders had not been put up; these should be fixed before the line is open for traffic, and the Resident Engineer was to have the work done at once.

The temporary road across the Huggry river was disturbed by a slight flood in last month, and there will always be the danger of communication being cut off, if the river rises while the bridge remains unfinished. No freshes, however, are expected for a long time to come, and as there are no night trains to run, the river bed can be always watched so as to ensure the safety of the public.

3 At Bellary, I found some of the arrangements not quite complete. The signal post at the entrance to the passenger-shed was put up, but two other signal posts for the station-yard, and the distance signal, had not arrived; these were brought in the following day. The engine turn-table was out of order from a cog-wheel being broken; another has been now sent up from Madras. The goods shed is roofed in, the rails were being ballasted up, and the doors about to be put up. The ridge of the long passenger's shed was not covered in; furniture was wanting in the ladies' waiting-room; the glazed windows were not put up in the telegraph office, and the fittings also not put up; the booking office is ready for use, except for the want of some bolts for the doors; the luggage-room and parcels room are completed. A portion of the asphalt flooring in the passenger platform, and that in the latrine had not been laid, and the road-way of approach to the station was still being tamped.

4. If every thing had been ready it was the wish of the Agent to have opened to Bellary on the 13th instant; but there was still a few days' work to be done, and although there would have been on that day nothing to interfere with the safety or comfort of passengers, it was determined that the opening had better be deferred for a week till the 20th instant. I considered that the signal posts should be reported as all ready, the engine turn-table working freely, and the small bridge girders set up, before trains run on to Bellary; the Chief Engineer will let me know that these three matters have been attended to, and I request the sanction of Government to my authorizing the line being opened on the 20th instant, when I receive the information from the Chief Engineer.

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15th February 1871.*

No. 345. ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1871, No. 465.

RAILWAY, No. 43.

His Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the Acting Consulting Engineer to communicate the sanction of Government to the opening for traffic of the portion of the Bellary branch of the Madras Railway between Veerapore and the Bellary terminus from the 20th February 1871, if the works mentioned in paragraph 4 are completed by that date Captain Prendergast will satisfy himself on this point.

(True Extract)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Railway Department

From

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Madrass
10th February 1871

Your most obedient servant
Chas. Henderson Major B,
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To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

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(H.E. No 662/10th February 1847)

His Excellency the Governor in Council au-
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The Above Engineer

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To the Consulting Engrs
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G O. 15 Feb 1871, No 165.

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Bellary branch Madras Ry.

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opening for traffic of the
portion of the Bellary branch
of the Madras Ry between
Veerapoor & the Bellary
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