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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 101. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th February 1871, No 82 —

REFERRING to the letter from the Government of India, Public Works Department, No 2,003-R, dated 12th December 1870, I have the honour to report that the increase under the head "Salaries and Wages," Traffic Department, during the half-year ended the 30th June 1870, compared with the corresponding period in 1869, is explained by the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway to be partly owing to the former half-year having to bear an increase to the salaries of pointsmen and ticket collectors, and partly to the wages of permanent-way gitemen having been transferred, during the half-year, from the Engineering to the Traffic Department

2 The suggestion of the Government of India, regarding the cause of decrease in the train mileage, is correct, for Mr Betts explains that the recent orders respecting the mode of dealing with shunting mileage have contributed to the decrease. The total mileage performed during the half-year ended the 30th June 1870 was 1,53,766, from which there is deducted 33,518 for assisting, shunting, etc

3. In the year 1869, the cost of grease was debited against the Traffic Department, but since the beginning of 1870 that, and the salaries of men engaged in greasing carriages and wagons, became a debit against the Locomotive Department. This accounts for the increase of expenditure on the cleaning and oiling of carriages and wagons.

4. Respecting the Home Direction expenses, I attach extract from a letter sent to the Agent by his Board of Directors, which shows that the half-year ended the 30th June 1870 has had debited to it £275 belonging to previous periods, and also additional expenditure on account of the increase of salary from £200 to £500 per annum to the Consulting Engineer in England. The amount properly debitable to the first half of 1870 is Rupees 7,145, while also the apparently small charge in the second half of 1869 is attributable to a deduction on account of our charges in 1868. The real charges are for first half of 1870, Rupees 7,145, and second half of 1869, Rupees 8,011

5. Regarding the Statements 1 to 4, 7 and 17, Mr. Betts states that they can be prepared only at the Board's Office in London. The General Balance Sheet (Form XVIII.) can only be partially prepared in this country, and this also is included by Mr. Betts among the forms which are to be had from the London Board. The remaining forms* will be submitted with the Analytical Report

* Nos 5, 6, 12, and 15

for the half-year which is under preparation.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th March 1871.*

HOME EXPENDITURE

Secretary's letter, No 26, dated 4th November 1870

In reply to the Chief Auditor's remarks under this head, I have to make the following observations —

In the Statements of Home Expenditure forwarded to India up to the 31st December 1868, the Consulting Engineer's salary from 1st October 1867 to that date is entered at the rate of £500 per annum or £625 0 0 Whereas for that period the debit at £200 per annum subsequently sanctioned by the Secretary of State ought only to have been .. £250 0 0

and this amount was credited to Home Establishment in our books for the half-year ending 31st December 1869. Nothing was entered in respect of Consulting Engineer's salary in the statements rendered for the two half-years, 30th June or 31st December 1869, but the amount accrued, due and subsequently drawn for that period, namely at the rate of £200 per annum, to 30th September and from that date at the rate of £500 per annum, or for the year 1869, £275, is included in the sum of £775 entered in the statement forwarded to you on 20th July last.

(True Extract)

(Signed) W. S. BETTS,
Agent

No 102.

ORDER THEREON, 4th March 1871, No 641.

RAILWAY, No. 15.

ORDERED that this letter be forwarded to the Government of India.—

(Here enter No 642, dated 4th March 1871.)

(True Extract)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd S T Augustin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST GEORGE, 4th March 1871.

No. 103.

No 642

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

RAILWAY, No. 16.

SIR,—With reference to the letter from the Government of India under date the 12th December 1870, No. 2,003-R, in which that Government, while reviewing the Revenue Account of the Great Southern of India Railway for the half year ending 30th June 1870, call for explanations of the causes of increased expenditure under certain heads of charge, I am directed herewith to forward a letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways in which those explanations are furnished.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government

Exd S T Augustin

Home Expenditure

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Secretary's letter of 26. 11. November 1870

In reply to the Chief Auditors remarks under this head, I have to make the following observations

In the Statements of Home expenditure forwarded to India up to the 31st December 1868, the Consulting Engineers' Salary from 1st October 1867 to that date is entered at the rate of £50 per annum or £250.00 whereas for that period the debit at £200 per annum subsequently sanctioned by the Secretary of State ought only to have been

Expenditure	£250 0 0
	<u>£200 0 0</u>

And the amount was credited to Home establishment in our books for the half year ending 31st December 1869 nothing was entered in respect of Consulting Engineers' Salary in the Statements rendered for the two half years 30 June or 31st December 1869, but the amount accrued due and subsequently known for that period, viz. at the rate of £200 per annum to 30 September and from that date at the rate of £100 per annum, or for the year 1869 £275, is entered in the sum of £475 entered in the Statement forwarded to you on 20 July last.

True Extract

William B. B. B.

Railway Department

No 82.

Cour: Enregistrement

From

Major H. Le Pendergast R.E.

Ag. Cour: Eng. for Railways

To

Colonel C. A. O.T.R.E.

Secretary to Government

Public Works Dept

Fort Saint George

Sir,

Referring to the letter

from the Government of India, Public

Works Department, No 2003 R, dated

12th December 1870, I have the honour

to report that the increase under the

head "Salaries and wages" Traffic

Department, during the half-year

ended, the 30th June 1870, compared

with the corresponding period in 1869,

is explained by the Agent of the Great

G.O. No 3129

dated 22nd

December 1870.

16.5.1871

Southern of India Railway, to be partly
owing to the former half-year having
to bear an increase to the salaries of
pointmen and ticket collectors, and
partly to the wages of Permanent way
gangers having been transferred
during the half-year, from the Engineering
to the Traffic Department.

2. The suggestion of the
Government of India regarding the
cause of decrease in the train mileage,
is correct; for Mr. Belts explains
that the recent orders respecting the
mode of dealing with shunting mileage,
have contributed to the decrease.
The total mileage performed during
the half-year ended the 30th June 1870,
was

was 153,766 from which there is deducted
33,518 for assisting, shunting, &c.

3. In the year 1869, the
cost of grease was debited against
the Traffic Department, but since
the beginning of 1870, that, and the
salaries of men engaged in greasing
carriages and waggons, became a debit
against the Locomotive Department.
The accounts for the increase of
expenditure on the cleaning and oiling
of carriages and waggons.

4. Respecting the House
Detection expenses, I allude extract
from a letter sent to the Agent by
the Board of Directors, which shows
that the half-year ended the 30th June

1870 has had debited to it, £ 275
belonging to previous periods, and a £200
additional expenditure on account of
the increase of salary from £ 200 to £
500 per annum to the Consulting Engineer
in England. The amount properly
debitable to the first half of 1870, is Rs.
7,145; while also the apparently small
charge in the second half of 1869, is
attributable to a deduction on account
of overcharges in 1868. The real charges
are for first half of 1870. — Rs. — 7,145.
second — do — 1869 — — 8,011.

5. Regarding the statements
1 to 4, 7 and 17, Mr. Belto states that
they can be prepared only at the Board's
office in London. The General Balance
Sheet

for 5, 6, 12
and 15.

Sheet (Form XVIII) can only be partially
prepared in this Country, and this also
is included by Mr. Belto among the
forms which are to be had from the
London Board. The remaining
forms will be submitted with the
analytical report for the half-year
which is under preparation.

Madras
18th February
1871

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.
W. Henderson Major R.E.
Acting Consulting Engineer
for Railways

Off. Dept.
No 641

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 4th ^{March} February 1871

From the Dy. Cons. Engineer
for Railways

Ordered that this

The Dy. Cons. Engineer
for Railways.

letter has forwarded to
the Government of India

To The Secretary to the
Government of India
No 642

Sir With reference to
the letter from the
Government of India
under date the 12th

December 1870. No. 2003 R.
in which that Govt.,
while reviewing the
Revenue Account of the
Great In of India

Recd 22 Dec 70 1870-71

1871
The Dy. Cons. Engineer
for Railways

The Secretary to Govt.
for Railways

Dated 18th Jan 1871
No 203

No 641-2 642-4

Reporting
the canoe which have
been to increase
the number of boats
by the Govt. of India
in this letter to 2003 R.
212 December 1870.

Railway for the half

year ending 30th June 1870

Call for explanations

of the causes of increased

expenditure under certain

heads of charge, I am

directed hereby to forward

to the Committee the Acting

Commissioner of Railways

in which the explanations

are furnished -

at various points

and in the accounts

of the railway

for the year ending 30th June 1870

and the accounts for the year ending 30th June 1871

and the accounts for the year ending 30th June 1872

and the accounts for the year ending 30th June 1873

and the accounts for the year ending 30th June 1874

Railway for the half

Further No 9668/1-4-71
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Letter

Further this letter from
to my friend for Railways for
his explanation of the
causes of increased expenditure
time under certain heads
of charge in the Rev. Secy.
of the Gt. S. Ry for the
half year ending
31st Dec 70.