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No. 138. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 18th April 1872, No. 186 :—

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 16th April 1872, No. 4,465.

I HAVE the honour to forward the attached copy of a report on the sanitary condition of the stations on this line by the Company's Consulting Physician for the quarter ending the 31st March last.

2. The attention of the various departments will be drawn to Dr. Houston's remarks.

*Report on the Stations of the Great Southern of India Railway for the quarter ending
31st March 1872.*

Negapatam.—The latrines on the platform were in good order, but a little fresh tar is required. The workmen's privy was tolerably clean, but that arrangement by which the urine passed during defecation can only find its way into the urine pails through the dry earth is faulty. The earth was all quite wet when I inspected the latrine on 25th March. The ladies' waiting room I found, as usual, very tidy and neat.

Sickle.—Everything here was in good order.

Keevalore.—The compound was swampy as usual. The latrines were in good order, and the platform also, except near the latrines where it has always been uneven and broken.

Trivalore.—The latrines, ladies' waiting room, and platform were all in fair order.

Kulikerry.—The latrines were in very good order, and the platform was tidy. The compound was rather overgrown with spear grass.

Kordachary.—The latrines and platform were in very good order. The ladies' waiting room was also in good order, but I saw a lascar's jacket on the window sill.

Nedamungalum.—All the latrines were in good order. The platform was quite tidy, and the compound tolerably so.

Ammappettah.—The compound was rather overgrown with spear grass. The latrines and the platform were in very good order.

Saliyemungalum.—Everything here was in fair order.

Tanjore.—The platform and compound were tidy. The latrines seemed to be well looked after, and the ladies' waiting room was tolerably neat.

Boodalore.—Everything here was in very good order.

Teroovembore.—The latrines and platform were in excellent order.

Trichinopoly.—Both the waiting rooms were tidy and neat, and the compound was in fair order. In the latrines the dry-earth system seemed to be carefully carried out; the ventilation appeared somewhat deficient however. I think it might be well to take some inches off the back wall, so as to admit air freely between it and the roof as at Ellamanore and elsewhere. In this event a little re-arrangement would be desirable in the latrines for Europeans, the compartment next the back wall becoming the urinal, and a commode being placed in the present urinal next the door of the latrine.

Ellamanore.—The compound, though rough and broken, was clean, and the platform and latrines were in very good order.

Kulithalay.—The compound here is unavoidably swampy, but everything else was in very good order.

Lallapetta.—The platform was exceedingly neat, and the latrines were in very good order.

Cuttalay.—The latrines were found in very good order. The platform is laid out in very neat flower beds.

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7th May 1872.

Caroor.—In the gentlemen's waiting room the matting wants renewal, and in the ladies' one basin is cracked and the other broken. The rims of the commode pans in the European latrines are chipped sufficiently to make their use painful; otherwise all the latrines are in good order. The platform was quite tidy and the compound, though rough and broken, was clean everywhere.

TENOR,
13th April 1872.

(Signed) J. M. HOUSTON, M.D.,
Consulting Physician, G. S. & F. R.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 139.

ORDER THEREON, 7th May 1872, No. 1,170.

RAILWAY, No. 15.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Report on the Stations of the G. S. & F. Railway
for the quarter ending 31st March 1872.

Agapattam.

The Latrines on the Platform were in good order, but a little fresh air is required.

The Portman's privy was tolerably clean, but that arrangement by which the urine, passed during defecation, can only find its way into the uric acid through the dry earth is faulty. The earth was all quite wet when I inspected the Latrine on 25th March.

The Ladies Waiting Room & Compound, as usual, very tidy and neat.

Sickle.

Every thing here was in good order.

Keeravore.

The Compound was swampy as usual. The Latrines were in good order, but the Platform also except near the Latrines where it has always been uneven and broken.

Privalore.

The Latrines, Ladies Waiting Room and Platform were all in fair order.

Kulikerry.

The Latrines were in very good order, and the Platform was tidy. The Compound was rather overgrown with spear grass.

Koviluchary

The Latrines and Platform were in very good order.

The Ladies waiting room was also in good order, but I saw a Lascar's jacket on the window sill.

Needamangalam

All the Latrines were in good order. The Platform was quite tidy and the Compound tolerably so.

Annappettahy

The Compound was rather overgrown with spear grass.

The Latrines and the Platform were in very good order.

Salemangalam

Every thing here was in fair order.

Tanjore

The Platform and Compound were tidy.

The Latrines seemed to be well looked after, and the Ladies Waiting Room was tolerably neat.

Boodalore

Every thing here was in very good order.

Peroombore

The Latrines and Platform were in excellent order.

Grichy.

Piabinhole

Both the dining room and kitchen, being the compartment, was in fair order.

In the latrine the dry earth system seemed to be perfectly carried out, the ventilation appeared some what deficient however.

I think it might be well to take some inches off the back wall, so as to permit air freely between it and the roof, as at Ellamancore more heat elsewhere.

In this regard a little rearrangement would be desirable in the latrine for Europeans the compartment next the back wall becoming the urinal, and a commode being placed in the present urinal next the door of the latrine.

Ellamancore

The compartment though rough and broken was clean, and the Platform and latrine were in very good order.

Pulitthalay

The compartment here is unavoidably swampy, but every thing else was in very good order.

Lallapetta

The Platform was exceedingly neat, and the latrine was in very good order.

Cuttalay

The latrine was found in very good order.

The Platform is laid out in very neat flower beds.

Carver

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In the Gentlemen's Waiting Room the
walling wants renewal, and in the Ladies one
board is cracked and the other broken.

The hinge of the Commode pane in the
European Saloon is chipped sufficiently to make
that pane painful otherwise all the Saloons are in
good order.

The Platform was quite tidy, and the
carpet though rough and broken was clean
everywhere.

Signed J. M. Houston M.D.
Consulting Physician U. S. A.

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SEALING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

18th April 1872

Cong. Engr. for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

Public Works 1872. Department

From

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

To

The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

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Physician's Report on the
Sanitary State of the Station
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the quarter ending 31
March 1872, forwarded.