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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

**Government of Madras.**

*Public Works* **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 354. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 12th June 1872, No. 303 :—

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 5th June 1872, No. 4,536.

Mr. B. C. St. John, this Company's Resident Engineer, was granted twelve months' leave under the Furlough Regulations, with effect from the 1st May 1871, but he was unable to resume his duties until the 29th ultimo.

2. Clause 6 of these Regulations specifies that "no furlough pay is to be drawn until the return of the Engineer to duty, and no pay shall be considered due unless the party returns to duty within the time granted to him."

3. Mr. St. John has sent to me the following explanation of the detention experienced by him on his return passage from England :—"I took my passage in one of the 'Red Cross' Line belonging to Norwood and Co. of Hull in the beginning of February last, paying half of my passage money on the understanding from them that their steamer *Scindia* would sail in the beginning of March. It appears they were not able to get this steamer ready on that date, but advertised that this vessel would nevertheless sail on the 15th March *full or not full*. This as you will perceive would have given me ample time to have taken up my appointment before the expiration of my furlough.

"However, I am sorry to say that the steamer did not leave London until the 24th March, and through defective machinery and stress of weather she did not reach Madras until the 27th May last.

"From this you will perceive that it was not any fault of mine in not reaching Madras before.

"Having explained this matter, I trust you will be able to obtain the Government sanction for all pay due to me up to the date I took charge of my department from Mr. Griffith."

4. Under the circumstances, will you please obtain the sanction of Government to my disbursing to Mr. St. John his twelve months' furlough pay; and will you also please obtain their instructions regarding the rate of pay to be disbursed from the 1st to the 29th ultimo, the period Mr. St. John was absent from duty over and above his furlough leave.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. Clause 6 of the Railway Furlough Regulations, which bears on Mr. St. John's case, is quoted in the Agent's letter.

3. In the case of the Traffic Manager of the Madras Railway, who overstayed his privilege leave owing to an accident similar to that which prevented Mr. St. John from joining before the expiration of his furlough, the Government ruled\* that they were prevented from authorizing the disbursement of salary to him for the period of his absence in excess of the leave granted to him.

\* *Vide* G. O., No. 2,064, dated 26th August 1870.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
25th June 1872.

4. Under the circumstances, I presume that the disbursement of Mr. St. John's furlough pay for the full period of his furlough (twelve months) may be sanctioned, but that between the 1st and the 29th ultimo, the period of his absence from duty in excess of his furlough, no disbursement of salary can be authorized.

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

No. 355.

ORDER THEREON, 25th June 1872, No. 1,534.

RAILWAY, No. 41.

THE Government sanction the disbursement to Mr. St. John of the furlough pay due to him, but they regret

they cannot admit his claim to any salary for the period of his absence in excess of the leave granted to him.

(True Extract.)

The Consulting Engineer for Railways having found a later Govt. Order reversing their decision quoted in his original Memo. submitting Mr. St. John's case, has requested me to substitute the accompanying revised Memo. for the Orders of Govt.

In the case of Capt. Robt Thompson R.E. who returned to duty in the same vessel with Mr. St. John, Govt. has authorized ~~the Controller to pay~~ <sup>is similar to</sup> ~~for the period during which he has unavoidably been absent~~ his leave.

G.M.W.  
28.6.72

Deputy Secy.

20/11/Endo  
No. 4536 GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,  
NEGAPATAM, June 5<sup>th</sup> 1872

From

THE AGENT,

Great Southern of India Railway,

To The Consulting Engineer  
for Railways  
Madras

SIR,

Mr. B. C. S. John, this Company's Resident Engineer, was granted twelve months leave under the Furlough Regulations, with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1871. but he was unable to resume his duties until the 29<sup>th</sup> ult.

Clause 6 of these Regulations specifies that "no furlough pay is to be drawn until the return of the Engineer to duty, and no pay shall be considered due unless the party return to duty within the time granted to him"

Mr. S. John has sent to me the following explanation of the detention experienced by him on his return passage from England. "I took my passage via one of the "Red Cross" Lines belonging to the Norwood & Co. of Hull



in the beginning of February last,  
paying half of my passage money  
on the understanding from them,  
that their Steamer "Scindia" would  
sail in the beginning of March.  
It appears they were not able to get  
this Steamer ready on that date but  
advertised that this vessel would  
nevertheless sail on the 15<sup>th</sup> March  
full or not full. This as you will  
perceive would have given me ample  
time to have taken up my appoint-  
ment before the expiration of my  
furlough.

However I am sorry to say that the  
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the 24<sup>th</sup> March and through defective  
machinery and stress of weather  
she did not reach Madras until the  
27<sup>th</sup> May last.

From this you will perceive that it  
was not any fault of mine in not  
reaching Madras before.

Having explained this matter I  
trust you will be able to obtain the  
Government sanction for all pay  
due to me up to the date I took charge  
of my

of my department from Mr  
Griffith:-

Under the circumstances will  
you please obtain the sanction of  
Government to my disbursing to  
Mr S<sup>r</sup> John his twelve months  
furlough pay - and will you also  
please obtain their instructions re-  
garding the rate of pay to be dis-  
bursed from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> ultimo,  
the period Mr S<sup>r</sup> John was absent  
from duty over and above his furlough  
leave.

I have the honor to be  
Your most <sup>obedient</sup> old servant  
William Bevan  
Apud

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3. In the case of the Traffic Manager of the Madras Railway, who overstayed his privilege leave owing to an accident similar to that which prevented Mr St John from joining before the expiration of his furlough, the Government ruled that they were prevented from authorizing the

*\* Vide G. O.  
no 2064 dated  
26 August 1890.*

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James Whitely, Esq. & Co. 1553

disbursement of salary to him for the period of his absence in excess of the leave granted to him.

4. Under the circumstances, I presume that the disbursement of Mr St John's furlough pay for the full period of his furlough (twelve months) may be sanctioned: but that between the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 29<sup>th</sup> ultimos, the period of his absence from duty in excess of his furlough, no disbursement of salary can be authorized.

W. M. M. M.  
Lieut Col R. C.

Madras 3  
12 June 3  
1872

Cous: Engineer for R. G.

To  
The Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department  
Fort Saint George

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Public Works 1872 Department  
From 29th  
The Com: Eng  
for Dep.

L. The Secy to Comt  
P. & S.  
Front St. St.

Dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 1872  
Recd 13<sup>th</sup>

No 303.

En: 1.

Forwarding  
a letter from the  
Agent of the G. & S.  
& Re regarding the  
furlough pay to  
Mr. St. John.

No 303.

Submitted for the orders  
of Government.

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on Mr. St. John's case, is quoted  
in the Agent's letter.

3. In the case of the  
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Railway, who overstayed his privi-  
lege leave owing to an accident  
similar to that which prevented  
Mr. St. John from joining before  
the expiration of his furlough, the  
Government consented to allow  
his salary to be paid to him for  
the fifteen days of his absence  
in excess of the three months' leave

Vide G. O.  
17<sup>th</sup> April 1871  
No 1072.

which had been granted to him.

4. Under the circumstances,  
I trust that the Government will  
see fit to sanction the disbursement  
to Mr St John of his furlough  
pay for the full period of his  
furlough (twelve months); and  
that he may be also allowed to  
draw pay at the same rate from  
the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> May, the period  
of his absence from duty in  
enjoy of his furlough.

Mantleworth Ernest Coll R.E.

Cous: Eng<sup>r</sup> for Railways

Madras 3  
12 June 23  
1892

To The Secretary to Government  
P.W. Department  
Fort Saint George

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*[Faint, illegible handwritten notes or signatures in the right margin]*

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The Government  
caution the disbursement  
to Mr. St. John of the fur-  
ough pay due to him,  
but they regret they can-  
not admit his claim  
to any salary for the  
period of his absence in  
excess of the leave  
granted to him.

Wm.

To the undersigned for Rep.  
Secy of Ry. Accts.

2904  
P. M. 1872  
St. John  
St. 2944.

From.  
The same: Engineer  
for Railway

Dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 1872.  
Recd 13<sup>th</sup> June 1872.  
St. 303.

Submitting

a letter from the

Agent G. S. Railway

to the relative to the

franchise pay re-

quested by Mr. St. John, Resident

Engineer.

St. 1534-25<sup>th</sup> June 1872

Mr. 2944

Govt. of 1872 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Recd.

G. O.,

1872, No.

Nos.

Mr. St. John. Resident  
Eng. - G. S. J. & Railway.

The disbursement to  
Mr. St. John of the furlough  
pay due him, sanc-  
tioned with remarks.

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The Government  
sanction the disbursement  
to Mr. St. John of the  
furlough pay due to  
him, and under the ex-  
planation afforded by  
him of the circumstances  
which prevented his  
return to duty on the  
expiration of his leave,  
the Government are  
pleased to authorize  
pay at the same rate  
being passed to Mr.  
St. John for the period  
of his absence in

him

№ 2944

## PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Committee on  
for Railways

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recd.**

Encl

G. O., 25<sup>th</sup> June 1874, No 1534.

Nos. 3548 355

Mr. L. John, Resident  
Eng<sup>r</sup>. G. S. & N. Railway

The disbursement to  
Mr. S. John of the furlough  
pay due to him, same-  
-timed in the remarks—

To The Consulting Eng<sup>r</sup>  
for Railways  
Eng<sup>r</sup> Ry. Acc<sup>t</sup>

Dec 28/7/72.