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Government of Madras.

Public works. DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceeding of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
24th January 1872.*

No. 443. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 20th December 1871, No. 562:—

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 22nd November 1871, No. 4,278.

I REGRET to learn from your letter of the 8th instant that my application for the staff required to erect a telegraph along the Southern Extension has not been submitted to Government.

2. In my letters Nos. 4,240 and 4,242, I have intimated this Company's unwillingness to enter into the arrangement proposed by the Government Telegraph Department, and I trust therefore you will kindly send forward my application.

3. The recent storm in this district practically proved the advantage derived by the Railway Company in keeping the maintenance of their telegraph in their own hands. While it required six days to restore communication on the Government line, communication on the Railway line was perfect in as many hours. I do not mean by this remark to imply that the officers of the Government Department failed to do their duty, but simply that the Railway Company possesses greater facilities for executing such work. We have a certain number of men constantly employed on the maintenance of each mile of Railway, and, in the event of the telegraph line being disabled, their services are instantly diverted to that work. The Government Telegraph Department do not keep up such a staff, and if they did, the cost would be very great indeed.

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras, dated Negapatam, 15th December 1871, No. 4,307.

I HAVE to thank you for your letter No. 360 of the 30th ultimo, and its enclosures.

2. I think it very desirable that Government should be placed in possession of the argument used in my letter No. 4,278 in favour of the Railway Company retaining in its own possession the maintenance of its telegraph line, and I shall therefore feel obliged if you will send forward the letter referred to.

SUBMITTED to the Government.

2. In reply to the first of these letters, I pointed out to the Agent that the estimates for the extension of the Great Southern Line had been sent on to the Government without any portion being kept back; but that I had recommended that the portion of the establishment referring to the telegraph should be struck out.

3. Mr. Betts, however, wishes to bring forward an instance of the facility with which the Railway staff can restore an interrupted line of telegraph, such as after the storm last month in the Tanjore District.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, Major, R.E.,
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
24th January 1872.

No. 444.

ORDER THEREON, 24th January 1872, No. 227.

RAILWAY, No. 62.

ORDERED that these papers be forwarded to the Government of India, with reference to the undermentioned letters from this Government:—

25th August 1871, No. 2,187.

3rd Nov. " " 2,783.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

No. 445.

DOCKET No. 228, dated 24th January 1872.

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

4307 GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAN,

December 15. 1872.

From

THE AGENT,

Great Southern of India Railway,

To

The Acting Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

SIR,

I have to thank you for your letter No. 360 of the 30th ultimo and its Enclosures

I think it very desirable that Government should be placed in possession of the argument used in my letter No. 4248 in favor of the Railway Company retaining in its own possession the maintenance of its telegraph line, and I shall therefore feel obliged if you will send forward the letter referred to

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

William W. B. B.
Agent

Submitted to the Government.

2. In reply to the first of these letters, I printed out to the Agent, that the estimates for the extension of the Great Southern Line, had been sent on, to the Government, without any portion being kept back; but that I had recommended that the portion of the establishment referring to the telegraph, should be struck out.

3. Mr. Petts however wishes, to bring forward an instance of the facility with which the Railway staff can restore an interrupted line of Telegraph, such as after the storm last month in the Tanjore District.

Madras
December
1871

W. S. Pendergast
Major
Ag. Com. Eng. for Railways

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Deptt.
Fort Saint George

From
the Agent
to the
Honble Secy to Govt
of the
Railway
Department
dated 15th Decr 1871
Decr 17th 1871
Regarding the
Railway Company's
claim in the
Madrass
High Court.

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Govt. of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To Mr. Secretary
for Railways

Dated. *For Mr. Secretary to the Govt*
Recd. *of India*

G. O. 24 May 1871, 227-228.

Nos. 4442-4444 & 4445

Public Works (By) Passing

Received in a letter from the
C. Eng. for Mr. Secretary
for Railways from the Agent of
the S. & P. R. Co. regarding the
maintenance of telegraphs
by the Railway Company.

Forwarding copy of letter
from the C. Eng. for Mr. Secretary
for Railways from the Agent of
the S. & P. R. Co. regarding the
maintenance of telegraphs
by the Railway Company.

Regarding the maintenance
of telegraphs by the Railway
Company.

6th June 1871 A. H. H.

I have received a letter from the
Agent of the S. & P. R. Co. regarding the
maintenance of telegraphs by the
Railway Company.

P. H. 1871-Sept.

1871 No. 6709.

From The Ag. Cons. Engineers
for Railways

To The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Deptt.
Fort Saint George

Dated 20th December 1871
R. & 22nd

No. 562.

Submitting
two letters from the
Agent G. P. of S. Ry.
regarding the maintenance
of Telegraph by the
Railway Company.

No. 227²²⁸ 24th Jan/72

No. 229

12. 1871

Ordered that these papers be forwarded to the
Govt of Madras with reference to the maintenance
- should letters from the Govt.
20th Aug 1871-2187
3rd Nov 1871-2190
20th Dec 1871-2191
20th Jan 1872-2192

6th Jan 1872 R. 111

I have received the
letters from the
Railway Company
dated 20th Dec 1871
and 24th Jan 1872
and have forwarded them
to the Govt of Madras
for their consideration.

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Govt. of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Consulting Eng^r
for Railways

Dated. *12th July 1871*
Recd. *12th July 1871*

G. O 24th July 1871, 227-228.

Nos. 444-444 & 445

Public (By) Passing

Received on a letter from the
C. Eng^r for N. G. submitting
letters from the Agent of
the S. G. I. R. regarding the
maintenance of telegraph
by the Railway Company.

Forwarding copy of letter
from the C. Eng^r for N. G. sub-
mitting ~~the~~ letters from the
Agent of the S. G. I. R.

Regarding the maintenance
of telegraph by the Railway
Company.

C. V. L. 11th 11

11th July 1871
11th July 1871