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No. 186A. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 28th May 1873, No. 295 :—

ADVERTING to the Proceedings of Government, dated the 3rd February 1873, No. 348, and to the letter from the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, which was forwarded with my endorsement dated the 1st April 1873, No. 196, I have the honour to enclose, for the information of Government, another letter* from Mr. Betts, in which it is reported that the Chief Engineer had authorized the transmission by the Company's wire of a message on magisterial business from Virduputty to Tinnevelly.

* No. 5,043, 26th May 1873.

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3. The proposal that the telegraph wire from Trichinopoly through Dindigul and Madura to Tinnevelly and Tuticorin should be placed at the service of the public for the transmission of private messages was brought forward on the 2nd November 1872. I cannot support the proposal more strongly than I have already done.

From W. S. BETTS, Esq., Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 26th May 1873, No. 5,043.

THE Chief Engineer sends me the enclosed copy of a telegram which he received from his Assistant at Virduputty; and thinking the matter might be of very serious importance to the public interests, and to lose no time, Mr. Logan took upon himself the responsibility of authorizing the transmission of the Sub-Magistrate's message to the Deputy Magistrate of Tinnevelly. Will you have the goodness to communicate this for the information and approval of Government, and urge the importance of opening the telegraph line on the Southern Extension to the public at an early date.

2. Applications for permission to use the line on payment are numerous, and the Chief Engineer is at a loss to offer any reasonable explanation as to the cause of refusing to comply with such applications, or to benefit ourselves by accepting instead of throwing away revenue.

Telegram from C. J. BOUSTEAD, Esq., Virduputty, to the Chief Engineer, Trichinopoly, dated 22nd May 1873, No 21.

THE Sub-Magistrate of Virduputty has called on me to know if I will allow him to send a message to the Deputy Magistrate of Tinnevelly. There has been a serious riot at Virduputty and the Sub-Magistrate has been severely knocked about. The message is on magisterial affairs; may I send it?

No. 186B. ORDER THEREON, 13th June 1873, No. 1,559A.

RAILWAY, No. 27A.

CONSIDERING the importance of opening to the public the line of telegraph which has been erected along the Southern Extension of the Great Southern of India Railway, His Excellency the

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13th June 1873.

Governor in Council resolves, in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India, to authorize the arrangement, and to communicate a copy of these Proceedings to that Government in continuation of letter No. 1,277 of 7th May 1873.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 186C. (DOCKET No. 1,559B, dated 13th June 1873.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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From Kridapatty
C. J Bristead

To Tuticorin
Chiefengineer

The 2nd Magistrate of Kridapatty has called on me to know if I will allow him to send a message to the Deputy Magistrate of Tuticorilly – There has been a serious riot at Kridapatty and the 1st Magistrate has been severely knocked about – the message is on magisterial affairs – may I send it

22/5/73

Sd/ D Baird
Signaller

True Copy

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GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 26th May 1873

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From

THE AGENT,

Great Southern of India Railway,

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[illegible]
Agent

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 295

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

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No. GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 18

From THE AGENT,

Great Southern of India Railway,

To

SIR,

Report

I have the honor to forward a Telegram addressed to the Chief Engineer of this Railway by the Superintendent of Police Trichinopoly, which I received from the Station Master at Vellore at 9 P.M. on the 28th instant.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Agent

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
W. Maultby Lt Col. RE.
Consulting Engineer for Railways

Madras
28 May 1873
Ed Thornton

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Proceedings of the Madras Government,

Under date the 187 .

Read the following :—

His Excellency the Governor in Council is sensible of the convenience to the public and the benefit to the Company's revenues which would result by throwing open the line of telegraph between Trichinopoly and

P. W. D. Railway Department. Letter from Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 28th May 1873. Rec'd 29th May 1873. No. 795. Submitting a letter from the Agent of the G. I. P. Ry. Co. on the subject of the use of the telegraph wire by the public on the Southern Railway. Ordered, that the Consulting Engineer for Railways be informed that the Government do not see any objection to the proposal, but that the Agent of the G. I. P. Ry. Co. should

and Tuticorin, and the proposal has accordingly been remitted for the early sanction of the Government of India. The attention of that Government will be again invited to the subject and telegraphic instructions requested.

To
The Cons.l Engr
for Railways.

H.E. No. 7

To
The Secretary to the
Government of India.

Sir,

I am directed by
His Excellency the
Governor

× No 349 of 3d. February 1873.
95 of 8th April — "—
1217 of 1st May — "—

Governor in Council to forward in continuation of my Communication quoted in the margin the accompanying papers in which the subject of throwing open to the public the line of telegraph between Trichinopoly and Tuticorin is again urged on the consideration of Government; and, looking to the importance of the subject, I am to request that the orders of the Government of India may be transmitted by telegraph.

Rec'd.

No. 1555 of 1873

Pro... of the Madras Govt.

Read the following:

The Secy. Govt. Rys. (P.W.D.) No. 295 dated 28 May 73

Considering the importance of opening to the public the line of Telegraph which has been erected along the Southern Extension of the Great Southern of India Railway, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India

to

Govt. Copies

Sec. to Govt. Rys. & C.

No. 186. dated 186

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to authorize the arrange-
-ment and to communi-
-cate a copy of these Pro-
-ceedings to that Govern-
-ment in continuation
of letter No. 1277 of 7th
May 1873.

(H. C. No. 15398. June 1873)

Copy of the above
forwarded to the Govern-
-ment of India.

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To Govt Engineer for Railways
Ms. draft 13/6/73
Sh. Calcutta draft 14/6/73

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To The Secretary to the Govt of India

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. No. 18 Home dated No. 15963

Nos. 1864-1863 & 1866

Telegraph. Arranging for opening to the public the line of telegraph along the Southern Extension of the G. S. & M. Ry.

Forwarding copy of correspondence on the subject of Telegraphic