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19th June 1873.*

No. 280. Read the following letter from Lieutenant W. H. COAKER, R.E., for Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 7th June 1873, No. 320:—

In continuation of my letter of 11th ultimo, No. 263, I have the honour to forward a letter, dated 5th instant, No. 5,054, from the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, in which Mr. Betts, for the reasons set forth, again urges a speedy settlement of the junction arrangements at Trichinopoly. I beg to suggest that the Government of India be communicated with by telegraph in order that arrangements may be made for the reception of the permanent-way, which is now nearly due at Negapatam.

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, 5th June 1873, No. 5,054.

The Chief Engineer writes to me as follows:—"I hope that Government will soon be able to decide upon the mode of junction to be adopted at Trichinopoly, in order that I may see my way to making arrangements for the reception of the permanent-way, now nearly due at Negapatam. If a decision is not likely to be come to soon, we ought to lay in a siding here to allow of stores for the extension being delivered on the spot nearest to the proposed junction, instead of being, as at present, taken on to the Trichinopoly station and there run back again to be unloaded between trains on the main line. The only alternative at present is, as you are aware, to cart the goods back. The one plan involving an extra run by rail of about four miles for all stores, and the other plan an extra run of two miles by rail—to be carted back the same distance. Labour is scarce here, and we cannot get the work done very speedily, nor always just at the time when we want it most, so that it is most important in the interests of the undertaking that all questions bearing upon our progress should be speedily settled."

2. Three vessels laden with permanent-way material are already on their way to Negapatam, the first of which is due here in a month's time. Will you please tell me if it is likely that the question regarding the Trichinopoly junction arrangements will be speedily settled. If orders are not likely to be received during the current month, a temporary siding had better be put in as suggested by the Chief Engineer.

No. 281. ORDER THEREON, 19th June 1873, No. 1,609.

RAILWAY, No. 40.

ORDERED that these letters be communicated without delay to the Government of India in continuation of letter

No. 1,519 of 7th June, with request that immediate decision be arrived at and communicated, relative to the junction arrangements to be made at Trichinopoly.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

No. 282. (DOCKET No. 1,610, dated 19th June 1873.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Est. S. T. Austin.

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Railway Department

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE

No. 320

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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Dear Sir,
Yours most obedient servant
Lieutenant Col
for Com: Engineer for Railways

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