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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 18th January 1873.

No. 350. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 23rd December 1872, No. 713:—

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 18th December 1872, No. 4,849.

Your letter No. 553 of the 13th instant. My Directors have instructed me, prior to sending them any indents for supplies, to ascertain what material we require can be obtained of a suitable description and on satisfactory terms from the surplus stores of any of the other Indian Railway Companies. I have asked the Agents of the Madras, Great Indian Peninsula, and Bombay and Baroda lines to let me have a priced list of the surplus stock they now have on hand, and I have also asked what rates would be charged for the conveyance by railway of such stores.

2. Judging from a list which I saw several months since, I do not think the Madras Railway Company has any articles we shall require. Mr. Elwin has informed me he is prepared to charge a rate of 4 Pies per ton per mile for surplus stores passing over the Madras Railway. If the Great Indian Peninsula Company agrees to charge a similar rate, the cost per ton from Bombay to Erode will amount to about Rupees 20 per ton. The charge for stores sent direct from England to Negapatam varies from Rupees 10 to 14 per ton, so that it is unlikely that satisfactory terms can be arranged.

3. I assume, as a matter of course, that it is not the wish of Government that this Company should pay to another Company a higher price for stores than it would cost us to buy the stores elsewhere.

From the Agent and Manager of the Carnatic Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 14th December 1872, No. 658.

With reference to your letters No. 309, dated 28th November 1872, and No. 325, dated the 13th instant, I have the honour to state that the surplus "stock" of the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Company being stock suitable for broad gauge lines there is little probability that any portion of it will be suitable for transfer to this Company.

2. With respect to the stores and materials available for transfer, these appear to consist of articles which are in many cases described as old, or such as we have already some supply of in our own stores, or are in small and unassorted quantities, and in no case are any of these likely to be required to be carried over our railway for the use of any other Company.

3. Under these circumstances, it has not appeared to me that I could with advantage adopt any measures at present to further the views of the Government in the matter, and all that I have done therefore is to inquire from the authorities of the Madras Railway Company whether, in the event of this Company becoming a purchaser of any part of these surplus materials, that Company would be prepared to convey them for us at the same rate as they charge for their own construction materials.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18*th January* 1873.

No. 2,382, dated 10th Oct. 1872.
" 2,752, " 22nd Nov. "

Submitted to Government with reference to the Orders of Government marginally noted.

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

No. 351. Order thereon, 18th January 1873, No. 174.

RAILWAY, No. 40A.

Ordered that these papers be forwarded to the Government of India with reference to their letter of the 20th September 1872, No. 1,509-G. R.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 352. (Docket No. 175, dated 18th January 1873.)

Copy of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No–Erode: [illegible]

No. 4849 GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.
AGENT'S OFFICE,
Negapatam, 18th December 1872

From

The Agent,
Great Southern of India Railway,

To The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

Sir,

Your letter No 553 of the 13th Instant — My Directors have instructed me, prior to sending them any Indents for supplies, to ascertain what material we require can be obtained of a suitable description and on satisfactory terms from the surplus stores of any of the other Indian Railway Companies I have asked the Agents of the Madras, G.I.P, and Bombay and Baroda lines to let me have a priced list of the surplus stock they now have on hand, and I have also asked what rates would be charged for the conveyance by railway of such stores

Judging from a list which I saw several months since I do not think the Madras Railway Company has any articles we shall require. Mr Elwin has informed me he is prepared to charge a rate of 4 pies per ton per mile for surplus stores passing over the Madras Railway. If the G.I.P. Company agrees to charge a similar rate, the cost per ton from Bombay to Erode will amount to about Rs20—

per

No. 713.

Submitted ~~for the~~ to ~~of~~ Government, with reference to the Orders of Government marginally noted.

No 2382 dated 10th Octr 1872
2752 dated 22nd Novr 1872

Lieut Col R.E.
Consg Engr. for Railways.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Madras, 23 Decr 1872

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

From
The Agent
G.S.I.R.

To
The Consulting Engr.
for Railways.

Dated 18th }
Recd. 20. } December 1872

Regarding surplus stores from other lines of Railway.

P.W. No 6431/72

P.o 18th Octr/72 No 164-165
" 22nd Novr — 366-367

PW 1872 Despatch
No 6431

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From The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

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

Dated 23 } December 1872.
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Submitting letters from the Agents G. I. and Carnatic Railways on the subject of surplus stores.

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Ordered that these papers be forwarded to the Govt of India with reference to their letter of the 20th Septr 1872 No 1509 G. R.

Docket No 178 dated

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to the Consg Engineer
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Copy of the above forwarded to the Govt of India —

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Stores (Railway) Papers

Orders on Correspondence submitted by the Cons. Engr. from the Agents of G. S. I. R. and Carnatic

Transfer of Stores.

Forward Correspondence regarding the transfer of surplus Stores