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No. 78. Read the following letter from A. H. VAUX, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Guaranteed Railways,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Simla, 12th July 1873, No. 1,203-G. R. :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Review of the Revenue Account of the Madras Railway for the first-half of 1872, submitted with your Docket No. 881, dated the 20th March 1873.

2. In reply I am to state that in preparing the tables of expenses, the nomenclature of the revised forms of Revenue Account should be followed in future. I am also to take this opportunity to add that, if it will not cause any inconvenience, each table of the Review, as well as of the Revenue Account, may be printed on a separate page as the specimen forms circulated with Public Works Department Resolution No. 1,605-R. of 22nd September 1870.

3. Table A. The amount of capital expended on open mileage, inclusive of rolling stock, was shown in the Review for the second-half of 1871 to have been £10,161,854, whereas in the table for the half-year under notice it is entered at £9,040,715, which does not tally with the entry of £9,524,870 in Statement 4 of the Revenue Account. The discrepancies should be explained.

4. Table C. I. The decreases in the traffic in coffee, as compared with the first-half of 1870, and in dye-wood, iron, and salt, as compared with the first-half of 1871, seem to require some attention. Generally an endeavour should be made to ascertain the causes which lead to large fluctuations in any particular commodity.

5. In Table B. instead of number, the train mileage of special trains, and in Table C. instead of mileage, the number of live stock should be shown. The average mileages of excess fares, Troops, and Police, and season tickets, should also be given in future.

6. The train mileage run for the Traffic Department, as shown in Statement No. 14 of the Revenue Account, being 886,896 miles, the entry of 853,544 miles only in Table D. I. should be explained, as also the difference between the latter and the train miles shown under heading 4 of Table F. I.

7. With reference to headings 7 and 8 of Table E. I. which have been returned blank, I am to request that the best approximation to the information may be made.

8. The average age of teak sleepers of "10′ × 12″ × 6″" and "12′ × 12″ × 6″" dimensions at the middle of the previous half-year was shown in Table E. II. to have been about 5¼ years and 1 year respectively, whereas in the present table 1·12 and 5·74 years are entered. These differences may be due to clerical errors. In calculating the average duration, the age of sleepers should be reckoned from the date of their issue and not receipt by the Stores Department.

9. Table M. I. As the luggage-vans are shown separately, it is not understood why the contents and freight of brake-vans are again exhibited under headings 10 (*d*) and (*h*) and 16 (*d*) and (*h*). If the brake-vans earned anything they should have been included with freight carrying vehicles, and, if otherwise, the entries under (*d*) and (*h*) referred to should not have been made.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th August 1873.

No. 79. ORDER THEREON, 6th August 1873, No. 1,954.

RAILWAY, No. 8.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to G. O., No. 880, dated 20th March 1873.

2. Lieutenant-Colonel Shaw-Stewart will submit the explanations called for by the Government of India and carry out their instructions in the preparation of future Reviews.

3. The Reviews and Revenue Accounts will be printed hereafter as required in paragraph 2 of this letter.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 1203 G. R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Guaranteed Railways.—

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department (Railways).

Simla 12th July 1873.—

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Review of the Revenue Account of the Madras Railway for the 1st half of 1872, submitted with your Docket No. 881 dated the 20th March 1873.—

In reply I am to state that in preparing the tables of expenses, the nomenclature of the revised forms of Revenue account should be followed in future. I am also to take this opportunity to add that, if it will not cause any inconvenience, each table of the Review, as well as of the Revenue Account, may be printed on a separate page as the specimen forms, circulated with Public Works Department Resolution No. 1605 R. of

22nd

22nd September 1870.—

Table A. The amount of Capital expended on open mileage inclusive of rolling stock was shewn in the Return for the 2nd half of 1871. to have been £ 19,161,857 whereas in the table for the half-year under notice, it is entered at £ 9,046,715 which does not tally with the entry of £ 9,524,870 in statement II of the Revenue account. The discrepancies should be explained.—

Table C I. The decrease in the traffic in Coffee as compared with the 1st half of 1870. and in Sugar, Wood, Iron and Salt as compared with the 1st half of 1871. seem to require some allusion. Generally an endeavour should be made to ascertain the causes which lead to large fluctuations in any particular commodity.—

In Table B. instead of number, the train mileage of special trains and in Table C, instead of mileage, the number of live stock should be shown. The average mileages of excess fare, troops and police and season tickets should also be given in future.—

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The train mileage run for the traffic Department as shewn in Statement No. II of the Revenue account being 8,86,896 miles the entry of 8,53,544 miles only in Table D I. should be explained as also the difference between the latter and the train miles shown under heading 4 of Table F I.—

With reference to headings 7 and 8 of Table E. I. which have been returned blank I am to request that the best approximation to the information may be made.—

The average age of teak sleepers of "16' x 12" x 6" and "12' x 12" x 6" dimensions at the middle of the previous half year was shown in Table E II. to have been about 5 years and 1 year respectively, whereas in the present table 1.12 and 5.11 years are entered. These differences may be due to clerical errors. In calculating the average duration, the age of sleepers should be reckoned from the date of their issue and not receipt by the Stores Department.—

Table M. I. As the Luggage Vans are shown separately, it is not understood why the contents and freight of Brake Vans

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are again exhibited under headings 10(d) and (h) and 16 (d) and (h). If the Brake Vans earned anything they should have been included with the freight carrying vehicles and if otherwise the entries under (d) and (h) referred to, should not have been made.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.

Nepean A. Vans
Under Secretary.—

No. 1957 R. & C. d.

Rev. of the Madras Govt.
Rental for Working.

From the Govt of India U.S. No. 1213 4 R & C/12 July 73)

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to No. 880 dated 20th March 1873.

Vacant Coll. Shaw will submit the explanations called for by the Government of India and carry out their instructions in the preparation of future Reviews.

The Reviews and Revenue Accounts will be printed hereafter as required in paragraph 3 of this letter

Dated 13/5/73

To The Consulting Engineer for Railways

No. 1957 R. & C. d. 12 May 1873.

Copy

Revised Rental for Working the Railways in the Madras Presidency for the year 1872-73.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a revised Rental for working the Railways in the Madras Presidency for the year 1872-73, and to request that you will be good enough to submit the explanations called for by the Government of India and carry out their instructions in the preparation of future Reviews.

2. The Reviews and Revenue Accounts will be printed hereafter as required in paragraph 3 of this letter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.

Nepean A. Vans
Under Secretary.—

To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

No 4092

Govt. of (1873) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Commutting Engrs for Railways

Dated

Rcd. Encl.

G. O. 6th Aug 1873. No. 1954.

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Madras Railways. Letter

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ing orders on the Review
of the Revenue Accounts
of the Madras Railway
for the first half of 1872,
Com[d] of Mysore & Engrs
with instructions.

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to Govt 22 Aug 73