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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th August 1873.*

No. 188. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Guaranteed Railway,) dated Simla, 19th July 1873, Nos. 1,262-66-G—R:—

Suggestion to allow percentages on increased traffic to Station Masters.

Read again—

From Consulting Engineer at Lahore, No. 1,658-G, dated 14th May 1872.
Public Works Department Circular, No. 26-R, of 19th June 1872.

Read also—

From Government of Madras, No. 2,136, dated 7th September 1872, and enclosure.
From Consulting Engineer at Calcutta, No. 1,973, dated 23rd September 1872, and enclosures.
From Government of Madras, No. 2,415, dated 14th October 1872, and enclosure.
From Consulting Engineer at Lucknow, No. 1,956, dated 25th October 1872, and enclosure.
From Government of Bombay, No. 740, dated 19th June 1873, and enclosure.

OBSERVATIONS.—After ascertaining the views of the various Agents for Railways in India, and of the different Governments and Consulting Engineers, the Government of India is of opinion that it would be undesirable, as a rule, to encourage traffic on Indian Railways by offering Station Masters a direct percentage on the gross receipts at stations.

2. The system in practice at present on the East Indian Railway of giving a loading contract to Station Masters at small stations is apparently not open to the same objections. This practice has not been in operation sufficiently long to enable a more decided conclusion to be drawn.

3. Native canvassers for traffic would probably be of value in directing the attention of traders to the advantages of the Railway. These men might be paid at a percentage rate, and they would tend to counteract any want of attention to the customs of the railway on the part of the Station Masters.

4. Besides the foregoing, circulars in the vernacular, and advertisements in the local native press, should be employed as means of conveying information to the native public of the advantages and facilities to be derived from the railway, both in respect to those travelling by it and to those using it for the transport of merchandize.

ORDER.—Ordered that copies of this Resolution, and of the papers read, be forwarded to the Governments and Officers noted in the margin, for information and guidance.

(Signed) A. H. VAUX,
for Offg. Deputy Secretary.

No. 189.

ORDER THEREON, 12th August 1873, No. 2,005.

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(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
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