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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
17th September 1873.*

No. 250. Read the following endorsement of the Government of India,
Nos. 1,234-35 G. R. :—

From Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India,
Public Works Department, (Guaranteed Railways,) to the Chairman
of the East Indian Railway; the Agent, Eastern Bengal Railway; the
Agent, S. P. and D. Railway; the Agent, O. and R. Railway, dated
Simla, 16th July 1873, Nos. 1,227—30 G. R.

His EXCELLENCY the Governor-General in Council desires me to invite your
attention to the frequent complaints that appear in the Native newspapers in
regard to the inconveniences to which the Native passengers on the Railways are
said to be subject under present arrangements for the conduct of traffic.

2. His Excellency the Governor-General in Council has no doubt that in
many cases the grievances have been exaggerated, while the remedies suggested
are often such as cannot be carried out.

3. There is, however, a residue of reasonable and practicable suggestions
deserving of consideration, and His Excellency is confident that the several
Railway Companies, like the Government, are anxious to do all they can to
render travelling easy and comfortable to the Native public. It is with the
view of aiding the different agencies in making such improvements as are possible,
and not with any idea of casting reflection on the management of railways, or of
requiring explanations, that attention to the representations of the Vernacular
papers is invited.

4. Extracts from Vernacular newspapers referring to the Railways will in
future be furnished to you, and I am desired to state that His Excellency
the Governor-General in Council hopes that they will receive attention from the
point of view herein expressed.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras in order that, with its approval,
somewhat similar action may be taken in regard to the Railways under its control.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R.A.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 251. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1873, No. 2,294.

RAILWAY, No. 250.

ADVERTING to the letter above
recorded, His Excellency the Governor
in Council is confident that the

Railway Companies of this Presidency are willing to render railway travelling as
agreeable and comfortable as possible to the Native public; and, in the belief that
they will be glad to receive information in regard to grievances which may in some
cases be susceptible of remedy, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves
to order that extracts of the Vernacular newspapers of this Presidency referring
to Railways be furnished to the Agents in future through the Public Department.
(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Public Department.
Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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N^o 2294 M.D.
Prov. of the Madras Govt.

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From the Govt of India (H.E. No. 1234 G.R.D. 16 July/13)

Adverting to the
letter above recorded His
Excellency the Governor in
Council is confident that
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To The Consulting Engineer
for Railways

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G. O. 17th Sept. No. 2294.

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Extracts of the Vernacular
Newspapers of the Madras
Presidency referring to
Railways be furnished
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with a view to enable the
Railway Authorities