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No. 28. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-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, dated Madras, 25th November 1873, No. 632:—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the information of Government, two letters* from the Quarter Master General of the Army, in which it is requested, under instructions from His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that a temporary siding and platform may be constructed for the use of the troops during the Camp of Exercise at a level crossing six miles from Bangalore.

* No. 7,455, dated 24th October 1873.
,, 622—7,455, dated 5th Nov. ,,

2. In consideration of the additional traffic which will undoubtedly result from the Camp of Exercise, the Railway Authorities have agreed to treat the cost of the siding and platform as a charge against Revenue. The estimated expenditure, Rupees 6,208, has been accordingly sanctioned, and the work is now in progress.

3. As the work to be done is by no means heavy, the Railway Authorities have not thought it necessary to avail themselves of the assistance of Sapper labour, and have accordingly declined the offer, with thanks.

From Colonel H. O'CONNELL, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Fort St. George, 24th October 1873, No. 7,455.

I HAVE the honour, by order, to bring to your notice that of the troops to be assembled at the Bangalore Camp of Exercise in January next, two Regiments of British, and five of Native, Infantry will be moved by rail.

2. The camps will be formed to the east of Bangalore, and the troops will leave the rail at Cadgoody and at the level crossing six miles from Bangalore. At the former there is a station, but at the latter a temporary platform and siding will be required for the use of the troops, and I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to request you will obtain the sanction of Government for such siding and platform, and arrange with the Railway Authorities for their early construction. They should be ready for use by the 30th December 1873. In consideration of the number of extra trains that will be required to convey troops to and from Bangalore for the Camp of Exercise, the work asked for should, His Excellency considers, be undertaken by the Railway.

3. In addition to the troops there will probably be a large staff camp, including tents for Lord Napier of Magdala and other visitors, in the vicinity of the level crossing at the 6th milestone and the arrivals and departures there will consequently be very frequent.

From the same Officer, dated Fort St. George, 5th November 1873, No. 622-7,745.

IN reply to your letter No. 1,026, dated 25th ultimo, I have the honour, by order, to state that the siding and platform at the level crossing near the 6th milestone from Bangalore should be on the south side of the line. The siding should be sufficient for a full troop train of twenty-two vehicles and the platform of corresponding length. The platform will be required for troops and baggage, including camp equipage, but not for guns or heavy articles; a portion of it should be adopted for loading and unloading horses.

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2. With reference to the last paragraph of your letter, I am directed to request that emergent local references on this subject may be made to Lieutenant-Colonel Bolton, Assistant Quarter Master General, Mysore Division, who, under the orders of the Major-General Commanding, will deal with them.

3. It is understood that the cost of constructing the siding and platform will be undertaken by the Railway.

4. The assistance of Sapper labour will be given, if desired.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, 2nd December 1873, No. 2,902.

RAILWAY, No. 7.

COMMUNICATED to the Military Department.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Military Department.
,, Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Quarter Mr General's Office
Fort St George 24th October 1873

No 7455

From

The Quarter Master General

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

Sir

I have the honor, by order, to bring to your notice that of the Troops to be assembled at the Bangalore Camp of Exercise in January next, 2 Regiments of British, and 5 of Native, Infantry will be moved by rail

2. The Camps will be formed to the East of Bangalore, and the Troops will leave the rail at Cadgoody and at the level crossing five miles from Bangalore. At the former there is a Station, but at the latter a temporary platform and siding will be required for the use of the Troops: and I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will obtain the sanction of Government

government for such siding and platform, and arrange with the Railway authorities for their early construction. They should be ready for use by the 31st December 1873. In consideration of the number of extra trains that will be required to convey Troops to and from Bangalore for the Camp of Exercise, the work asked for should, His Excellency considers, be undertaken by the Railway.

3. In addition to the Troops, there will probably be a large Staff Camp, including Tents for Lord Napier of Magdala and other visitors, in the vicinity of the level crossing at the sixth mile stone and the arrivals and departures there will consequently be very frequent.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
H. T. Norwell Colonel
Offg Dr. Genl.

Quartermaster General's Office,
Fort Saint George, 5 November 1873.

No. 622
7745.

From

The Officiating Quartermaster General,

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 1026 dated 25 Ultimo, I have the honor, by order, to state that the siding, and platform at the level crossing near the sixth mile stone from Bangalore, should be on the South side of the line - The siding should be sufficient for a full Troop Train of 22 Vehicles and the platform of corresponding length - The platform will be required for Troops, and baggage, including Camp Equipage, but not for Guns or heavy articles: a portion of it should be adopted for loading, and unloading horses. -

2.. With reference to the last para of your letter, I am directed to request

From

The Quarter Master General
Providing Engineer
for Railways

Dated 25th Sept 1873

No. 1026

P. W. 1414/72.

Repeats Calcutta
the Executive Engineer for the Construction of Port for the Authorities of the Railways
Calcutta Agra Cawnpore
Allahabad Oude & Rohilkund
Bengal Eastern Bengal
Railways for the
information of the Authorities
of that Station for the
Canal Service -

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that emergent local references on this subject may be made to Lieutt: Colonel Dallon, Assistant Quarter Master General Mysore Division, who under the orders of the Major General Commanding, will deal with them.—

3.— It is understood that the cost of constructing the siding and platform, will be undertaken by the Railway.—

4.— The assistance of Sapper labour will be given if desired.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. D'Cromwell Colonel
Offg: D: A: Genl.

1873.

From
The D.A.G. General
To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways

Dated
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Affords information relative to the construction of a siding and platform for the use of Troops moving by Rail to Cadjoody for the Camp of Exercise.

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 632

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL 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.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, two letters from the Quarter Master General of the Army, in which it is requested, under instructions from His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that a temporary siding and platform may be constructed for the use of the troops during the Camp of Exercise, at a level

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level crossing six miles from Bangalore.

2. In consideration of the additional traffic which will undoubtedly result from the Camp of Exercise, the Railway Authorities have agreed to treat the cost of the siding and platform as a charge against Revenue. The estimated expenditure Rs 6,200, has been accordingly sanctioned, and the work is now in progress.

3. As the work to be done is by no means heavy, the Railway Authorities have not thought it necessary to avail themselves of the assistance of Sapper labour, and have accordingly declined the offer with thanks.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Madras
5th Nov. 1873

Lieutenant Lt Col. R.E.
Cons. Engineer for Railways

Jos Beadon

C/4647

Govt. of Madras.

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Dated

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Nos. 2829

Camp of Exercise at Bangalore - Letter from the Engineer reporting that the work of constructing a temporary siding & platform for the

at the Bangalore Station, Madras Ry, for the use of the troops during the Camp of Exercise, Copy to the Mily. Dept.

Ry. Engineer Report

Rec'd with Chief Engineers Letter dated 3/12/73

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

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From C/4647

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government, P. W. Department, Fort Saint George.

Dated 25th November 1873.

Recd. 26th November 1873.

Enclosure 2

No. 632.

Submitting two letters from the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army requesting that a temporary siding & platform may be constructed for the use of the troops during the Camp of Exercise near Bangalore.

Withdrawn Order