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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th February 1873.

No. 602. Read the following letter from the Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department (Railway), dated Fort William, 1st February 1873, No. 168-G-R:—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of the papers covered by your endorsement, No. 51, dated the 8th January 1873, relative to the vehicle stock of the Madras Railway.

2. The Consulting Engineer states, it is noticed, that the question of dispensing with redundant stock will continue to receive his attention. The Government of India are content to leave the matter thus with request that no worn-out vehicles may at any time be renewed unless it is satisfactorily shown that the traffic of the line cannot be efficiently worked without such renewed stock.

3. It is remarked by the Consulting Engineer that the Revenue accounts of other Railways, previously asked for, would have been of service in comparing the mileages of vehicles in different parts of India. I am desired to explain that, as all the Revenue accounts are now published in a convenient form in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*, it was supposed that this would meet the desires of the Government of Madras, as stated in Public Works Department No. 1,399-G-R, dated the 28th August 1872. But it now appears probable that, although copies of the Revenue accounts alone are asked for, both in the reference under reply and in your letter, No. 1,924, dated 13th August 1872, copies of the reviews are also desired (for the former would not give the desired information as to vehicle mileage), and acting on this supposition the Government of Bombay and the Consulting Engineers to the Government of India at Calcutta, Lahore, and Lucknow will be requested to forward in future two copies of each account and review for the information of the Government of Madras.

4. The Government of Madras are aware of the intention of the Government of India that the whole of this information shall be periodically compiled and circulated. This compilation has, however, been delayed, as in many cases there are still discrepancies which make the figures exhibited under the same heading in different accounts not properly comparable. While, then, such comparison is at all times liable to error, unless account is taken of those peculiar circumstances of each line (such as proximity to the sea-board and the nature of the country traversed by the railway) which no mere tabular statement will show, I am desired to point out that additional caution must for the present be exercised in drawing deductions from isolated figures of any account.

No. 603. ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1873, No. 627

RAILWAY, No. 79

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways in continuation of G. O., No. 50, dated 8th January 1873.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Capt. A. S. Rodgers.

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All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary.

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W. B. M. and J. R. E.

Offg: Deputy Secretary

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To: *The Consulting Engineer
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Madras Railway.

Letter from the Port of
India offering remarks
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regarding the vehicle
shock of the Madras
Railway, Com^d to the Govt.
Eng^r.