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Government of Madras

Public Works

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2nd May 1874.*

No. 42. 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, 26th March 1874, No. 188 :—

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, No. 420, dated 20th February 1874, I have the honour to submit letter No. 216, dated 12th instant, from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company in regard to the action taken upon the points noticed in the Public Works Department Resolution, No. 2,401 A-G. R., dated 16th April 1873, with reference to the report by Captain Filgate, R.E., Deputy Accountant-General, on the Account and Audit Offices of the Madras Railway.

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With reference to the above the Agent writes, that of the five Surveys undertaken by the Company under the orders of Government, viz. :—

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3. In regard to the establishment of a Provident Fund, noticed in paragraph 2 of the Resolution, Mr. Elwin explains that the question has been recently under consideration by the officers of the Company and of the Board of Directors, and that the subject will be brought shortly before Government for their orders. In the meantime the officers of the Company tender their thanks to His Excellency the Governor in Council for the expression of his willingness to support the formation of a fund, the want of which has long been felt by the Railway employés.

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of stores in the General Stores Account, and an adjustment of the Chief Engineer's Store Account have been effected. An examination of the stores in the Locomotive Department was also made; but as the result was not considered satisfactory by the Head of that department, it was agreed that another stock-taking should be undertaken, the result of which shall be reported to Government in due course.

In the case of the Engineering Stores a surplus of Rupees 2,66,893 was discovered. The Chief Engineer, in reporting on the subject, states that "this surplus represented a very large proportion of the stock in hand on the 31st December 1872, Rupees 7,61,971; but that that was to be accounted for by the fact that materials used in sidings and lay-byes, which were put down for temporary purposes during construction and afterwards taken up, had not been brought to account, and formed a large portion of the surplus stock."

The Agent reports that the Chief Engineer was authorized to bring the surplus of Rupees 2,66,896 into stock, after allowing for the loss in Madras Workshop plant, Rupees 29,817-10-2, sanctioned in Government of India letter

G. O., No. 709, 5th March 1873.

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G. O., No. 2,900, 9th December 1872.

dated 15th November 1872. It was suggested that articles should be offered for sale to the other Railways before orders were passed in regard to the disposal of the sum. The Agent, in his letter

No. 941, 13th November 1873.

herewith enclosed, reports that the other Companies do not require the articles in question; and, as the large surplus value of stores in the Engineering Department admits of the sum of Rs. 5,778, outstanding on account of the late Madras Workshop plant, being also adjusted similarly to the Rupees 29,817-10-2, I recommend the arrangement, together with those previously adverted to, for the approval of Government.

With reference to paragraph 4 of the Resolution, in regard to securing a proper check over the expenditure of the Engineering Department on Revenue Account, the course proposed by the Deputy Accountant-General is being carried out at present on the Madras Railway.

From R. E. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 12th March 1874, No. 216.
With reference to your letter No. 221 of the 6th instant, and to the documents noted in the margin, I have the honour to express my regret that so much delay has occurred in reporting to Government the action taken upon the Deputy Accountant-General's Report upon the delay has been principally occasioned by the

Letter from Consulting Engineer, No. 201, dated 30th May 1873.
G. O., No. 1,309, dated 16th May 1873.

the Account and Audit Offices of this Railway. The delay has been principally occasioned by the time that it has necessarily taken in looking up the records relating to the "Miscellaneous Surveys Account," to which Captain Filgate directed special attention.

The Surveys referred to are the following:—

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Kurnool Survey.—This was simply an examination of the country between Ghooty and Kurnool in connection with the Hyderabad Survey, and was ordered by the Consulting Engineer in his letter No. 50 of the 29th of January 1863.

Cochin Survey.—With regard to this, the Under Secretary of State for India, in a letter to the Secretary of this Company, dated the 1st of August 1867, stated that the cost of the Survey would be borne by Government should no arrangement be entered into with the Madras Railway Company for the construction of the line.

A copy of the letter referred to, which was sent to me by the Board with their letter No. 399 of the 23rd of August 1867, is enclosed.

4. It thus appears that of the Surveys enumerated, the only one of which the cost should be debited to the preliminary expenses of the North-West Line is the Raichore Survey, which was the Survey made for the present line to that place, and I therefore have the honour to submit that the Company should be credited by the Government with the following amounts, viz., :—

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Less Credit	...	...	...	...	...	14	1	4
						35,757	1	11

5. As regards the establishment of a Provident Fund, the question has been recently under consideration by the officers of the Company, and the outline of a scheme has been drawn up by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, and will be submitted for the approval of Government, when it is sufficiently matured. In the meantime I request that the thanks of the officers of the Company may be conveyed to His Excellency the Governor in Council for the expression of his willingness to support the formation of a fund, the want of which has long been felt by Railway employés.

6. The Chief Auditor informs me that the amounts at the credit of "Unpaid Wages" to the end of December 1872 are now being taken out, and will be paid over to Government at an early date; and that, in like manner, it is proposed to abstract the unpaid wages for 1873, and pay them over to Government in 1875.

7. With reference to paragraphs 6 to 9 of Captain Filgate's Report the Chief Auditor writes as follows :—

"I beg to inform you that the re-valuation of stores in the General Stores Account and an adjustment of the Chief Engineer's Store Account has been effected. In the former, out of a surplus of Rupees 1,52,072-4-10, two-thirds, or about Rupees 1,03,000, have been applied in the reduction of prices, leaving nearly Rupees 50,000 to meet losses on damaged and other stores when

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sold. This course is strictly in accordance with the procedure agreed on and referred to in paragraph 9 of Captain Filgate's Report."

8. In the case of the Engineering Stores, a surplus of Rupees 2,66,895-15-8 was discovered. The Acting Chief Engineer reported that this surplus no doubt represented a very large proportion of the stock in hand on the 31st December 1872, Rupees 7,61,971, but that that was to be accounted for by the fact that materials used in sidings and lay-byes, which were put down for temporary purposes during construction and afterwards taken up, had not been brought to account, and formed a large portion of the surplus stock. He was therefore authorized to bring the surplus of Rupees 2,66,895-15-8 on to stock, after allowing for loss in Madras Workshop Plant of materials used from July to December 1872, Rupees 8,700-3-5. This mode of treating a surplus is not in strict accordance with the plan agreed upon, but under the exceptional circumstances I trust that it will be approved by the Government.

9. An examination of the stores in the Locomotive Department was also made, but, as the result was not considered satisfactory by the Head of that department, it was agreed that another stock-taking should be made, and that is now being carried out.

10. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Deputy Accountant General's Report, and the observations of the Government of India thereon, you are aware that estimates are now submitted for each division of the open line, and the outlay in each division is audited against the sanction against each sub-head for each division.

From CLINTON, Esq., to J. BYRNE, Esq., Secretary of the Madras Railway Company, London, dated India Office, S. W., 1st August 1867.

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st June, No. 2,199, and to acquaint you in reply that since the date of my letter of the 30th May, a despatch has been received from the Government of Madras reviewing their proceedings in reference to the proposed Railway from Shoranoor to Cochin. Government upon further consideration are of opinion that as this line will be connected with, and be worked by, the rolling stock of the Madras Railway, it should be made as a first-class Railway.

2. Sir Stafford Northcote agrees with the Directors that, before the question of its construction can be satisfactorily considered, it is necessary that more thorough surveys, with estimates, both as to cost and probable traffic, should be made. I am accordingly directed to propose that these surveys and inquiries be made by the Madras Railway Company, upon the understanding that the cost thereof will be borne by Government, should no arrangement be entered into with the Madras Railway Company for the construction of the line.

From J. W. MELLIS, Esq., for the Acting Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 13th November 1873, No. 911.

With reference to paragraph 3 of your letter of the 10th of March last, No. 251, I have the honour to inform you that I have now received replies from all the Railway Companies,* to whom I

- * The Great Indian Peninsula Railway.
- " Carnatic Railway.
- " Great Southern of India Railway.
- " Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway.
- " Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi Railway.
- " East Indian Railway.
- " Oude and Rohilkund Railway.

offered for purchase the key-cutting machine, the planing machine and the tenon-cutting machine, belonging to the old Madras Workshops. The replies are all to the effect that they do not require the articles in question, and there is very little probability that we shall be able to dispose of them, as machines for the same purposes are now made of much better descriptions than those in our possession.

2. Under the circumstances I request that I may be favoured with authority to write off the sum of Rupees 5,578-6-8, being the value of the three machines standing in the books of the Engineering Department.

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No. 43. ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1874, No. 1,160.

RAILWAY, No. 8.

The foregoing papers are in reply to a requisition from the Government of India as to the action taken on Captain Filgate's report of 4th January 1873, on the Account and Audit Offices of the Madras Railway.

2. *Miscellaneous Survey Account.*—The cost* of the Raichore Survey will, under the explanations afforded, be debited to the preliminary expenses of the North-West Line; and the proposal to reimburse the Company the outlay† incurred in connection with the remaining four Surveys, detailed in paragraph 2 of the Consulting Engineer's letter, will be referred for the orders of the Government of India.

* Rupees 15,821-1-0.

† Rupees 35,757-0-0.

3. *Establishment of a Provident Fund.*—His Excellency the Governor in Council is glad to learn that this subject has been engaging attention, and that a scheme for giving effect to the arrangement has actually been drawn up.

4. *Unpaid Wages.*—The Examiner of Railway Accounts will be expected to look to the requisite adjustments.

5. *Stock-taking.*—The report on the further examination of the stores in the Locomotive Department will be awaited, and the orders of the Government of India will be elicited as to the final adjustment of the value* of surplus stores of the Engineering Department, and of the outstanding sum of Rupees 5,778-6-8

* Rupees 2,66,896.

appearing in the Chief Engineer's books on account of unserviceable stores.

6. *Check over expenditure in Engineering Department on Revenue Account.*—Captain Filgate's suggestions on this point are, it is noted, being attended to.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Examined by Accounts

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E_{ad}. S. T. Austin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 2nd May 1874.

No. 44.

No. 1,161.

FROM

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

RAILWAY, No. 9.

SIR,—With reference to the letter from the Government of India under date the 27th January 1874, No. 38 A.—G. R., inquiring as to what action has been taken on Captain Filgate's report of 4th January 1873, on the Account and Audit Offices of the Madras Railway, I am directed to submit the accompanying letter from the Consulting Engineer with its accompaniments on the subject, as well as the Proceedings of Government thereon, and to request the orders of the Government of India as to the final adjustment of the sums appearing in the Company's books against the heads noted below:—

Deviation Survey.

Hyderabad do.

Kurnool do.

Cochin. do.

Surplus Stores, Engineering Department.

Unserviceable Stores. do.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Madras Railway Company
Agent & Managers Office
Madras 12th March 1874.

From

Robert R. Edwin Esq.,
Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company.

To

Col. J. H. B. Shaw Stewart, R.E.
Consulting Engineer for Ry.

Sir,

With reference to your letter
of 22nd of the 6th instant and to the documents
noted in the margin, I have the honour
to express my regret that so much delay
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Kurnool Survey	2352. 5. 0
Raichur Survey	15821. 1. 0
Cochin Survey	13256. 4. 3

Rs. 51592. 4. 3

Letter from
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

W. B. Smith
Agent and Manager.

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of the line.

I am, Sir
your obedient servant
/ signed Clinton

To
John Pyrene Esq
Secretary
Madras Railway Company
London

/ True Copy
W. H. L. L. L.
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Ms. J. J. J. J.
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MADRAS RAILWAY. 13

AGENT AND MANAGERS' OFFICE

Madras, 13th November 1873

From

The Acting Agent and Manager of the M.R.C.

To

Lieut. Col. J. H. McIlhenny Stewart R.E.
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J. H. Nellis
for the Agt. Agent & Manager

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CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

From

LIEUT. COLONEL J. H. M. SLEW STEWART, R.E.

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

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dated

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated 13th March 1873

Recd

No. 104

No. 941

Regarding the sale of
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25/7/200/1874

12/8/200/1874

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 the sum of Rs 5,778, outstanding
 on account of the late Madras
 workshop plant, being also
 adjusted similarly to the Rupees
 29,817-10-2, I recommend the
 arrangement, together with the
 previously adverted to for the
 approval of Government.
 With reference to
 paragraph 4 of the Resolution
 in regard to securing a proper
 check

check over the expenditure of the
 Engineering department on
 Revenue account, the course pro-
 posed by the Deputy Accountant
 General is being carried out at
 present on the Madras Railway.

I have the honour to be
 Sir

Your most obedient servant
 M. M. M. M. M.
 Cons. Engineer for Railways

Madras
 26 March
 1874
 E. M.
 R. M.

1160 Public Works Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Read the following

From the Consig. Engrs } (These Entries 188 dated
for Railways } 27 March 1874)

The foregoing papers
are in reply to a requisition
from the Government of
India as to the action
taken on Capt. Filgate's
report of 4th January 1873
on the account and audit
offices of the Madras Rail-
way.

Miscellaneous Survey ac-
count. The cost of the Rai-
lway survey will, under
the

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are in reply to a requisition
from the Government of
India as to the action
taken on Capt. Filgate's
report of 4th January 1873
on the account and audit
offices of the Madras Rail-
way.

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Submittal of accounts
from the account in 1874
General return to the
Hon. the Secretary to
the Government of India
in the account of the
Railway survey.

Dated 27 March 1874
Recd. 28 March 1874
No. 1885
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George.

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,
1874

1160 Public Works Department
Railway Department

The explanations afforded,
be debited to the prelimi-
nary expenses of the North
West Line, and the proposal
to reimburse the Company
the outlay incurred in
connection with the remain-
ing four surveys detailed
in para 2 of the Consulting
Engineer's letter will be
referred for the orders of
the Govt. of India.

Establishment of a Provi-
dent Fund. His Excellency
the Governor in Council is
glad to learn that this
subject has been engaging
attention, and that a
scheme for giving effect
to the arrangement has
actual

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actually been drawn up.
Unpaid Wages. The Exa-
miner of Railway Ac-
counts will be expected
to look to the requisite ad-
justments.

Stock taking. The report
on the further examina-
tion of the stores in the Lo-
comotive Department
will be awaited, and
the orders of the Govt. of
India will be elicited as
to the final adjustment
of the value of surplus
stores of the Engineering
Department, and of the
outstanding sum of
Rs. 5778. 6. 8 appearing
in

in the Chief Engineer's
books on account of
unservicable stores.

Check over expenditure
in Engineering Dept.
on Revenue Account.

Capt. Filgate's suggestions
in this point are it is noted
being attended to.

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To
The Secretary to the
Govt. of India P.W.D.

With reference to the
letter from the Govt. of
India under date the
1st January 1874, N:38 A.G.2.
inquiring as to what
action has been taken
on

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To
Chief Engineer
Revenue Account
s. Copies despatched to him 11/5/74.

b.d. copies & 30 Copies of Previous
Progs. despatched 11/5/74.

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on Capt. Filgate's report
of 2nd January 1873 on
the account and audit
offices of the Madras Rail-
way, I am directed to
submit the accompanying
letter from the Consulting
Engineer with its accom-
panying remarks on the subject,
as well as the Proceedings
of Govt. thereon, and to
request the orders of the
Govt. of India as to the
final adjustment of
the sums appearing in
the Company's books
against the heads noted
below.

Deviation Survey.
Hyderabad—do—
Tumkur—do—
Cochin—do—

Surplus Stores - Engineer - m.
Dept.

Unserviceable stores - do -

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dt. of 1874 Madras.
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Le Comptroller for the
Secy. to Govt of India.

Encl. 3.

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Nos. 42 & 44

Comptroller and Audit Officer
Madras Railway

Issuing orders on
expenditure submitted

Comptroller ~~and~~
relative to the

for Kachin in Capt.
Gates' report on the

account of
the Office of the

By-

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The previous
sent attached
out-let

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