No. 392. Read the following letter from Captain C. HIGHMOOR, R.E., for Acting Inspector-General of Police, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 17th December 1873, No. 4,111:—

I HAVE the honour to request the sanction of Government to the undermentioned transfer of funds of the building grant of the current official year to meet certain requirements in the Kistna District:—

District.	Work.	Amount.	District.	Work.	Amount.
From		RS.	*To*		RS.
Wynaad.	Police Buildings.	213	Kistna.	Police Buildings.	213

2. Rupees 110 of the above sum are required as an addition to the item of Rupees 100 shown as the cost of the site to be purchased for the Police Station-house in Robertsonspett at Masulipatam included in the estimate of Rupees 3,260, sanctioned in G. O. of 2nd April 1873, No. 1,022, Public Works Department. The Superintendent of Police reports that this piece of ground affords ample space for the station-house and compound, etc., and that no other suitable site is available. The additional sum (Rupees 110) is within 5 per cent. of the original estimate.

3. Rupees 73 are required to pay for the completion of the Police Station-house at Condapully, sanctioned in G. O. of 13th July 1870, No. 1,686, Public Works Department, at a cost of Rupees 820, of which amount Rupees 786 only were expended up to 31st March 1873; the balance, Rupees 34, is proposed to be expended during the current year, and an additional sum of Rupees 39, which is within 5 per cent. of the estimate, is needed for certain alterations and improvements to the roof and doors of the Police lock-up.

4. A sum of Rupees 30 is also wanted for the completion of the station-house at Chebrole, the total expenditure on the work being only Rupees 730 on the 31st March 1873, out of Rupees 760 sanctioned in G. O. of 14th May 1872, No. 1,266, Public Works Department.

5. The District Engineer reports that the amounts sanctioned for the station-houses at Chebrole and Condapully have not been fully expended owing to delay in procuring asphalte required for completing the flooring of the prisoners' rooms, and the Superintendent of Police states that the works in question were not included in his statement of incomplete works, submitted in April last, as he received no information on the subject from the Department of Public Works.

No. 393. ORDER THEREON, 28th January 1874, No. 199.

ACCOUNT, No. 34.

THE transfer of funds proposed in this letter to meet outlay during the current official year in completing certain Police works in the Kistna District, is sanctioned.

2. The Inspector-General of Police should state the cause of such a large proportion of the Wynaad allotments not being utilized.

(True Extract.)

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Secretary to Govern

To the District Engineer, Kistna.

Buildings 1873-74.

Chief Office of the Inspector General of Police.

No. 4111 Madras, 17th December 1873.

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Buildings paid for 1873-74.

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4. I understand that, to each vessel which comes out to the Great Southern of India Railway, Rupees 1,500 on account of frieght is paid in India, but that this sum is merely intended to meet the expenses of the ship while in port, and could not therefore be made subject to deduction for short deliveries. The Examiner says that there would probably be considerable objection on the part of the shipowners doing business with the Great Southern of India Railway to the payment in India of a portion of the freight; inasmuch as, at ports of so little commercial importance as Negapatam and Tuticorin, it would be inconvenient for them to receive more money than is required to meet the ship's expenses in port.

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GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

Extract of letter from the Secretary to the Agent, dated London, 24th October 1873, No. 102.

Materials Missing Account.

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No. 366. ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1874, No. 184.

RAILWAY, No. 52.

ORDERED to be recorded, and communicated to the Government of India in continuation of G. O., No. 2,788, of 18th November 1873.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 367. (DOCKET No. 185, dated 26th January 1874.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
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Great Southern of India Railway. S 1-2

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Railway Department. CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

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Madras
12th December
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From No. 674[illegible]

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

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

Dated 12 December 1873.

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Forwarding an extract from the Board's letter regarding the practice of paying all freight in England

With [illegible]

No. 184.

Orders to be recorded and communicated to the Government of India in continuation of G.O. 2788 of 18th December 1873.

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