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3rd November 1874.*

No. 31. Read the following endorsement of the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in charge, dated Madras, 13th October 1874, No. 620:—
From H. E. CHURCH, Esq., Traffic Manager, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 29th August 1874, No. C ^{28,107}/_{5,366}.

Coke Wagon No. 186 on fire at Ghooty.

I BEG to forward copy of a letter received from Mr. Darke reporting a fire in the 9-50 A.M. train of the 28th instant from Cuddapah to Ghooty, and will furnish at an early date further report on the matter.

From A. W. DARKE, Esq., Assistant Traffic Manager, to H. E. CHURCH, Esq., Traffic Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Ghooty, 28th August 1874, No. 4,511.

Coke No. 186 on fire.

I HAVE to report that Coke No. 186 containing indigo and other goods consigned from Terra-goontla to Adoni, and forwarded by the 9-50 A.M. train of this date, was observed to be on fire as the train was entering Ghooty Station-yard. The wagon was immediately detached and taken to the water-column where the fire was extinguished.

2. Considerable damage has been done to both the wagon and its contents, and two tarpaulins by which it was covered were consumed.

3. The matter shall be investigated without delay, and the result will be communicated.

No. 774.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

31st August 1874.

From R. B. 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, 8th October 1874, No. 900.

With reference to your letter of the 29th ultimo, No. 920, I have the honor to enclose you the copy of a report* made to me by the Traffic Manager, which contains full particulars of the

* No. G ^{28,193}/_{6,450}, 1st October 1874.

case of fire that occurred in the 9-50 A.M. train of the 28th of August last.

2. The Acting Locomotive Superintendent informs me that he is unable to offer any explanation as to the cause of the fire, both the spark-catcher and the ash-pan of the engine (No. 27, burning wood) having been in good working order.

From H. E. CHURCH, Esq., Traffic Manager, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 1st October 1874, No. G ^{28,193}/_{6,450}.

Coke No. 186 on fire at Ghooty.

In continuation of my C ^{28,107-5,366}, of 29th August, and, with reference to the Consulting Engineer's letter, No. 920, of the 30th ultimo, Mr. Darke, the Assistant Traffic Manager at Ghooty, reports as follows:—

"The correct number and description of the burnt vehicle is Coke No. 162. The number quoted in my former letter was sent to me on a slip of paper from the station when I was writing, but I find it was incorrect.

"It appears the wagon took fire just after the train entered the Ghooty Station-yard, a spark having found its way through a small aperture in the end of the wagon nearest to the

be on fire as the train was entering Ghooty

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engine and set fire to the gunnies which were loaded against it. The fire soon caught the tarpaulins, and the wagon was enveloped in flames in a few minutes. Every exertion was made by the Ghooty Traffic and Locomotive Staff without delay to extinguish the fire. Immediately this was accomplished, the goods were transhipped to another wagon, examined and weighed, with the following result:—

Particulars.	As weighed at Yerragoonthla.		As weighed at Ghooty after loss by fire and water.		Less.		Excess.	
	MDS.	S.	MDS.	S.	MDS.	S.	MDS.	S.
Indigo, twelve baskets	18	23	15	14	3	9	...	...
Do. three bags	13	15	13	17	...	...	...	...
Cummin seeds	7	39	6	...	1	39	...	2
Bundles, gunnies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

"The goods as saved were sent on to Adoni and tendered to the respective consignees who refuse to accept them."

2. The Acting Locomotive Superintendent will doubtless be able to afford the information called for in respect of the engine.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieutenant, R.E.,
Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in charge.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, 3rd November 1874, No. 3,119.

RAILWAY, No. 4.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd A. Grubert.
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C/28104
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Madras Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
Madras 29 August 1874

The Agent and Manager
Royapuram.

My dear Sir,

boke Waggow No 186 on fire at Gooty.

I beg to forward copy of a letter received from Mr. Darke, reporting a fire in the 9.50 A.M. Train, of the 28 instant, from Buddapah to Gooty, and will furnish at an early date further report on the matter.

Yours faithfully
(Signed) H. P. Church
Traffic Manager.

N 4511

Traffic Manager
Madras.

My Dear Sir

boke No 186 on fire.

I have to report that boke 186, containing Indigo, and other goods, consigned from Yerragoonthla to Adoni, and forwarded by the 9.50 A.M. train of this date, was observed to be on fire as the train was entering Gooty.

station yard. The wagon was immediately detached and taken to the water column where the fire was extinguished.

Considerable damage has been done to both the Wagon and its contents and two tarpaulins by which it was covered were consumed.

The matter shall be investigated without delay, and the result will be communicated.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) A. W. Parke.

Asst. Traffic Manager.

(True copy)

(Signed) H. R. Moore

Traffic Manager

(True copies)

H. R. Moore
Agent and Manager

No 774

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

31 August 1874.

Copy

No. 900

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 8th October 1874.

From

R. S. Edwin Esqre,
Agent and Manager of the M.R.C.

To

Lieut Col. J. H. Shaw Stewart, R.E.
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 29th ultimo No 920 I have the honour to enclose you the copy of a report made to me by the Traffic Manager which contains full particulars of the case of fire that occurred in the 9:50 am train of the 28th of August last.

2. The Acting Locomotive Superintendent informs me that he is unable to offer any explanation as to the cause of the fire, both the spark catcher and the ash pan of the Engine (No 27, burning wood) having been in good working order.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
R. S. Edwin
Agent and Manager

From

MADRAS RAILWAY.

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

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Dated 31st August 1874

Recd. 1st Sept 1874

No. 994

Reporting on accident
on the P. & M. C. R.
from the P. & M. C. R.
from the P. & M. C. R.
from the P. & M. C. R.

From the P. & M. C. R.

S. M. 6424/74

Madras Railway
Traffic Managers Office
Madras October 1st 1874

N^o 9/28193
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Agent and Manager
Madras Railway
My Dear Sir,

Coke N^o 186 on Fire at Gooty

In continuation of my C/28107 of 29th August and with reference to the Consulting Engineer's letter N^o 920 of the 30th ultimo: Mr. Clarke, the Assistant Traffic Manager, at Gooty, reports as follows:

"The correct number and description of the burnt vehicle is Coke N^o 162. The number quoted in my former letter was sent to me on a slip of paper from the station, when I was writing, but I find it was incorrect."

"It appears the Wagon took fire just after the Train entered the Gooty station yard. A spark having found its way through a small aperture in the end of the wagon nearest to the Engine, and set fire to the Gummies which were loaded against it. The fire soon caught the Tarpauntins, and the Wagon was enveloped in flames in a few minutes. Every exertion was made by the Gooty Traffic and Locomotive Staff without delay to extinguish the fire. Immediately this was accomplished, the Goods were transhipped to another wagon, examined and weighed."

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MADRAS RAILWAY

From

The Agent and Manager

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways

Dated 1st October 1874
Recd. 3rd inst.

No. 900

Despatching further particulars of the case of fire that occurred in the 9-57 a.m. train on the 28th August last.

S.M. 6424/74

with the following result:

Particulars	as weighed at Perragonia		as weighed at Port after loss by frost water		Loss		Excess	
	Lbs	S	Lbs	S	Lbs	S	Lbs	S
Indigo 12 Baskets								
3 Bags	18	23	15	14	3	9		
Common Seeds	13	15	13	17				2
Bundles Gumies	7	39	6		1	39		

The Goods as saved, were sent on to Adoni, and tendered to the respective consignees who refuse to accept them.

The Acting Portmaster Subordinate will doubtless be able to furnish this information collected in respect of the Goods.

Yours faithfully
Signed: J. E. Church
Traffic Manager

/ True Copy

[Signature]
Agent and Manager

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Govt. of 1874 Madras.

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To The Com. Supd. Engrs.

Date 1

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G. O. 3-20-1874 No. 3119

Nos. 31-32

Accident - Ry. Indore.
ment by the Com. Supd. Engrs.
submitting papers from
the Agent Madras Ry.
reporting an accident by
fire to a coke wagon at
Khasi on the 28 Aug.
recorded.