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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

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RAILWAY.

Fort William, 20th October 1874

Copy of the following forwarded to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department (Railway) for information with reference to the letters from that Govt. marginally noted.—

No.	1665	dated	19th June 1874
"	2126	"	3rd August "
"	2628	"	15th Sept. "
"	2789	"	1st Oct. "

By order

H. Drummond Lt. R.E.

Deputy Secretary

to

No. 2674 R. dated 20th October 1874

From The Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.

To The Director General of Telegraphs

I am directed to forward for your information copy of a

Despatch from the Secretary of State,
No. 40 Telegraph dated 20th April 1874,
stating that the Directors of the South
Indian Railway Company have
agreed to the transfer of their existing
telegraphs to Government and to the
construction by Government of the
telegraphs required for their extension
lines. The Board's views as to the terms
of the transfer, the rent to be paid
by the Company for the use of the
wires and on other points are contained
in the enclosed Extract of a letter
from them to their Agent in India.

2. The Govt of India are
of opinion that there are two courses
open. 1st either for the Company at
once to erect the permanent line of
telegraph and make it over to the Govt
Telegraph Department or 2nd for the
latter to take over the materials
from the Company and erect the per-
manent line providing for the present
only so many stations as are abso-
lutely necessary for construction pur-
poses. It is believed that if the prin-
cipal points are connected by telegr.
the communications between these
points can be sufficiently well main-
tained by messengers.

3. I am to request that
you will favor the Government of India
with an early expression of your
views as to which of the alternatives
should be adopted ~~or what other~~
course you would recommend.

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From.

The Govt. of India.

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of the telegraph lines
of the South Indian
Railway Co.

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Dated

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Nos. 332-333

Telegraph lines of the South Indian Railway Company. — Mackett from the Govt of India forwarding copy of correspondence relating to the transfer to Government

of the ~~Telegraph~~ ~~Lines~~ South Indian Railway Co recorded —

Rec'd to Govt 2 Nov 74