

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
23rd April 1875.*

No. 614. Read the following letter from Captain A. J. FILGATE, R.E., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Guaranteed Railways,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway Branch,) dated Simla, 10th April 1875, No. 109 A.—G. R. :—

THE Accountant-General, Public Works Department, having brought to the notice of the Government of India that the Government of Madras had sanctioned an outlay on Capital account of Rupees 1,400, for fitting 35 third-class carriages of the Madras Railway with shutters, I am directed to request that the papers connected with the sanction and the reasons for it may be furnished to the Government of India for information.

2. Although this item taken as a whole may be properly met from Capital, still the amount of work involved in the case of each individual carriage is only estimated to cost Rupees 40, and unless exceptional circumstances exist, which are not at present clear on the face of the case, it would appear that the small amount of outlay involved might well have been met from Revenue, as the carriages come into the shops.

No. 615. ORDER THEREON, 23rd April 1875, No. 1,153.

RAILWAY, No. 78.

ORDERED that the following letter
be sent :—

(Here enter No. 1,154, dated 23rd April 1875.)

(True Extract.)

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

A.R.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 23rd April 1875.

No. 616.

No. 1,154.

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).

RAILWAY, No. 79.

SIR,—I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 109 A.—G. R., dated 10th April 1875, requesting that the

papers connected with the sanction against Capital of an estimate amounting to Rupees 1,400 for fitting 35 third-class carriages of the Madras Railway with shutters, and the reasons for it, may be furnished to the Government of India for information.

2. In reply, I am to submit the papers recorded with the Proceedings of Government of the 6th January and 11th March 1875, Nos. 16 and 688, which explain the circumstances under which the improvement in question was authorized. Had the Railway Company of their own motion desired to carry out this alteration as an ordinary improvement which could have been effected gradually as the carriages came into the shops, it might have been proper to treat each carriage separately, and to sanction the cost against Revenue; but in the present instance it will be observed that pressure had been brought to bear, and the Company were expected to carry out the work as quickly as practicable in order to render the carriages suitable for night travelling. Looking, moreover, to the fact that the carrying out of this work, instead of using as originally intended the old second-class carriages constructed to carry 50 passengers only, will enable the traffic to be worked more economically, and will, to quote the words of the Secretary of State, effect a Despatch to Government of India, No. 17, dated 9th March 1864, "permanent improvement in the character and object of the previous imperfect

structure," His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that a liberal interpretation may well be placed on the principles laid down for the sanction of expenditure on Guaranteed Railways, and the cost allowed to fall against the Capital account.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

No. 109. ^A/_{G.R.}

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.

^{Gt} Railway

To
The Secretary to the Government
of Madras
Public Works Department
Simla, 10 April 1875

Sir

The Accountant General Public
works Department having brought to the
notice of the Government of India, that the
Government of Madras had sanctioned
an outlay on capital account of Rs 1400
for fitting 35 third class carriages of the
Madras Railway with shutters, I am directed
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for information.

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No. 109 A.L.R. dated 10 April 1875
requesting that the papers
connected with the sanction
against Capital, of an estimate
amounting to Rs. 14.00 for
fitting 35 third class
Carriage

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G.M.W.

Dispd- 1-5-75

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To

Secy to Govt.
of Madras

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 23rd April 1875, No. 1153

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Madras Railway - Explanations
regarding the estimate for fitting
35 third-class Carriages with
shutters, to be forwarded to the
Government of India.