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31st *May* 1875.

No. 587. 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, 13th May 1875, No. 274:—

THE Traffic Manager wrote as follows to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway:—

"We have had a sum standing to the debit of 'Advances, Sundry' in the Traffic Manager's cash book, amounting to Rs. 247-9-0, due for carriage of goods by one Captain Stewart, who you may remember was connected with a projected stud farm in Hyderabad and was subsequently charged in the High Court with some criminal offence.

"The Solicitors were consulted when Captain Stewart was in Madras as to the expediency of suing him for the Company's debt, but they were of opinion that, under the circumstances, it was useless to do so."

2. The transaction above referred to dates from March 1872, and the Traffic Manager explains that through on oversight the matter was not brought forward earlier.

3. The Agent solicits the sanction of Government for the amount being written off as a bad debt; but the Examiner of Railway Accounts, to whom the matter was referred, writes as follows:—

"As this item does not appear as an outstanding of the Revenue account it cannot be passed as a bad debt, that is, allowed to be deducted from the earnings. The proper course of adjustment appears to be to charge it off in the expenses of the Traffic Department as a loss or defalcation would be treated."

4. I recommend for sanction the course suggested by the Examiner.

No. 588. ORDER THEREON, 31st May 1875, No. 1,506.

RAILWAY, No. 67.

THE amount will be dealt with as suggested by the Examiner.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Examiner of Railway Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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Madras Railway.

Capt: Stewart's debt.

The amount of —— to be treated in the same manner as a loss or defalcation.