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25th June 1875.*

No. 516. Read the following letter from Major C. H. LUARD, R.E., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Railway,) to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Simla, 9th June 1875, No. 1,466 R.:—

In acknowledging receipt of your No. 1,372, dated 14th May 1875, submitting estimates, aggregating Rupees 3,47,283, for doubling the Madras Railway from Royapuram to Veysarpady, and from 4 miles 32½ chains up to Avady Station, I am directed to say that before passing orders the Government of India will await a reply to Public Works Department, No. 1,363 R., dated the 31st May 1875.

No. 517. ORDER THEREON, 25th June 1875, No. 1,780.

RAILWAY, No. 64.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to the under-mentioned Orders:—

G. O., No. 1,371, dated 14th May 1875.

„ „ 1,642, „ 10th June „

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Ed. A. Grubert.
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th June 1875.*

No. 518. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
dated Madras, 14th June 1875, No. 333 :—

Read the following :—

Memorandum of inspection of Open Line, Madras Railway.

THE principal points that attracted my attention were the following :—

1. The mail train leaving Madras on the 20th May was much overcrowded at Erode by third-class passengers. I counted seventeen in one compartment, fifteen in a second, twelve in all others except one with ten.
2. The line from Erode to Pothanore is in wonderfully good order. I have never that I remember seen such a high standard of maintenance attained.
3. From Pothanore to Ootapalliem the line is unusually rough, but extensive repairs and renewals are in progress.
4. From Erode to Salem the road is in good order. The semaphore light at Salem needs attention; the colored glasses partly obscure the white light.
5. The semaphore light at Shevaroy Hills Station is obscured by trees from a driver approaching from the west. I was given to understand that the "arms" are clear, but the pointsman's lamp is visible before the semaphore light and at no great distance.
6. The night watchmen between Salem and Morapore were in groups instead of at long intervals. I saw three in as many hundred yards, and four in probably half a mile. I would suggest that the drivers be encouraged to note and report these irregularities.

The line and station buildings appeared to me in other respects well kept up.

MADRAS,
11th June 1875.

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Major, R.E.,
Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The attention of the Agent of the Madras Railway has been called to the several points remarked upon by the Deputy Consulting Engineer.

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Major, R.E.,
for Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 519.

ORDER THEREON, 25th June 1875, No. 1,781.

RAILWAY, No. 65.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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