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No. 598. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 15th June 1875, No. 336 :—

I HAVE the honor to forward the accompanying statement showing the derailments on the Madras Railway from January 1875 not yet reported to Government.

2. It will be observed that in more than half the number of cases no damage occurred to the permanent-way, and that wherever blame was attributable to any one, punishment has been awarded.

List of derailments on the Madras Railway from January 1875 not yet reported to Government.

DATE. Month and Day.	Station.	Particulars of Accident.	Exact spot where accident occurred.	Damage to Permanent-way.	Cause of Accident.	Punishment inflicted.
6th January ...	Camalapore ...	A high-sided open goods wagon attached to the 1 p.m. train from Kondipoorum to Cuddapah.	Near the east main line points.	Nil ...	Unknown ...	
22nd "	Cuddapah ...	A high-sided open goods wagon was thrown off the line while being shunted by engine of 10-45 A.M. train from Tripetty.		Nil ...	Carelessness of Head Porter ...	Fined Rupees 3.
3rd February ...	Arcot ...	Engine of the 7-30 A.M. goods was derailed while shunting off a horse-box.	Goods shed points ...	Nil ...	Due to points in charge of Station Master not being locked.	Being first cause of complaint, the Station Master was reprimanded. He was 14 years in service of the Company. Fined Rupees 10.
2nd March ...	Coopum ...	Engine of the 7-45 P.M. mail train from Bangalore was derailed.	West points ...	3 double block chairs and 2 single chairs broken; also 6 fish bolts, 1 eye bolt, 2 rails, and 1 cross rod bent.	Pointsman in fault. Said to be asleep.	
9th "	Bangalore ...	Engine No. 83 was derailed.	80 feet west of No. 1 point.	Nil ...	Cause unknown. The same engine was afterwards run backwards and forwards over the same points.	
13th "	Tripetty ...	Engine of 2-30 P.M. special from Arcoum after being detached was derailed when going round to the turn-table to get turned.	Second line south points.	12 tie bars, 1 switch rod, and 4 20 feet rails bent; also 2 tie bars, 13 pots, 2 chairs, 6 fish bolts, 4 gibs, 2 cotter pins, and 50 wooden keys broken.	Driver supposed to be to blame in the matter.	Driver made to pay cost of the repairs of engine.
24th "	Arcoum ...	Leading wheels of tender of engine No. 57 attached to the 8-30 A.M. mixed train from Madras got derailed.		Nil ...	Wheels of tender slightly out of gauge, a defect which has been since remedied.	
27th "	Royapoorum ...	A pair of wheels of a composite carriage dropped off the rails.	No. 12 points ...	Nil ...	Points not being properly held ...	Locomotive shed Maistry fined.
30th "	Trivellore ...	Engine attached to the 6 A.M. mixed train from Tripetty dropped off rails when going out.	Eastmost or No. 1 crossing.	A few keys crushed	Cause apparently unknown ...	
12th April ...	Royapoorum ...	A third-class carriage while being shunted got off the line.	Points No. 5 leading to through siding.	Nil ...	Negligence of Porter and Pointsman. The carriage was intended to be sent to the Central Station by the 6 A.M. It was being pushed out of a siding on to the line, but its wheels were not clear of the switches.	The Head Porter and Pointsman fined Rupees 5 each and suspended from pay and duty for 5 days.
14th "	Tripetty ...	While the driver of the 6 A.M. mixed from Tripetty was hauling wagons at that station, the leading wheels of the tender mounted the rails.	South crossing main line.	Nil ...	The same engine was again derailed at Trivellore. It has been brought into the Workshops for examination.	

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21st "	Coopum ...	Engine No. 80 was derailed	No. 4 points	6 pot sleepers and 9 fish bolts broken; also 1 cross rod, 2 rails, and 2 tie bars bent.	Carelessness of Pointsman	Suspended with loss of pay for 10 days.
22nd "	Jollarpett ...	A third-class brake carriage attached to the 6 P.M.	No. 1 points	1 cross rod, 1 double block chair broken; also 2 cross rods, 1 switch rail, and 1 eye bolt broken.	The points and switch box were in perfect working order. The all-right signal was given to the 6 P.M. train approaching the station and the Driver kept on his way till he found he was on the main line. He then stopped and backed the train when he felt a drag and found the carriage derailed. Pointsman admits being asleep.	Pointsman dismissed. Pointsman Maistry reduced in pay Rupees 2 per mensem for 3 months. Assistant Station Master to pay cost of repairs to carriage and road.
24th "	Salem ...	Pilot Engine No. 19 while shunting was derailed.	No. 9 points	1 pot sleeper broken and 1 connecting rod bent.	Pointsman in fault ...	Fined Rupees 2.
28th "	Arcoum ...	Engine No. 23 while shunting was derailed.	No. 9 points	1 chair and 5 pot sleepers broken.	Pointsman not holding points properly.	The Pointsman in extenuation of his fault pleaded that he was suffering from fever and was too weak to hold the rod firmly at the time. He had not however reported sick and has been fined Rupees 2, 17 years' service, and first time in fault.

MADRAS,
15th June 1875.

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

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RAILWAY, No. 78.

It is remarked that during the four months ending April, fifteen cases of derailment occurred on the Madras Railway.

Of these three are attributed to unknown causes, ten to neglect of Railway servants, and the remaining two to defects in the engine stock.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 336 Madras 15th June 1875

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Lt Col J. Mullins R.E.

~~Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E.,~~

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

No: 4012

From
The Consulting Engineer,
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
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Fort Saint George.

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13th July 1875
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