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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th June 1875.*

No. 602. 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, 18th June 1875, No. 346 :—

I HAVE the honor to lay before Government, for consideration, a letter* from the Agent of the South Indian Railway,

* No. 669, dated 17th June 1875. requesting sanction to the expenditure of a sum not exceeding Rupees 20,000 in the construction of suitable saloon accommodation for His Excellency the Governor.

2. The circumstances under which this application is made are explained by the Agent ; but I may add that in April last, His Excellency the late Lord Hobart inquired, with reference to the expected visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, whether there would be suitable carriages available for his accommodation upon the South Indian Railway. I lost no time in drawing the Agent's attention to the matter, and I now understand from Mr. Betts that he has been in communication with his Directors, who are anxious to receive sanction to put the work in hand at once.

3. From the sketch forwarded by the Agent, it will be seen that it is proposed to build three saloons, instead of two as on the Madras Railway. This is on account of the small dimensions of the metre gauge stock ; but it is open to question whether it would not be well to restrict the accommodation to two saloon carriages, mounted on bogies, which would allow of their being longer than the ordinary stock. There are other points in the sketch which seem to require notice, such as the dimensions of the couches in the sleeping carriages, which are shown as only 2 feet in width, and of the table in the centre carriage which is shown as only 3 feet in length by 1 foot in width. These points will doubtless receive due notice in England.

4. In order that the carriages may be available for the Royal visit, it is desirable that they should be put in hand without delay ; and I beg that I may be favored with instructions by telegraph.

From W. S. BETTS, Esq., Agent, South Indian Railway, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 17th June 1875, No. 669.

HITHERTO whenever the Governor of Madras has travelled over this Company's line we have been able to borrow from the Madras Railway Company their saloon carriages for His Excellency's accommodation. The gauge of the open line is now being altered, and as the line from Trichinopoly northward and southward will be a metre-gauge line, we shall in future be unable to bring the Madras Railway carriages to the south.

2. Under these circumstances, I am desirous to obtain the sanction of Government to the construction of suitable saloon carriage accommodation. The Locomotive Superintendent suggests, in consideration of the smaller dimensions of the metre-gauge stock, that the accommodation to be provided shall consist of three carriages, the centre one being for day use, and the other two being fitted for night use. The carriages to be connected together so that communication from one to the other can be maintained while the train is in motion. I attach a rough sketch which shows the proposed arrangement and dimensions.

3. As there is a probability that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales may shortly pay a visit to Southern India, these carriages if at once ordered from England could be made available for his use. It is considered that such carriages could be turned out in much better

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order and finish from an English workshop than from the workshop in Negapatam, besides which our shops are, and will continue for some time to be, fully employed in preparing carriages and trucks for the Southern Extension.

4. I understand the cost of the two saloon carriages belonging to the Madras Railway Company amounted to about Rupees 18,000. The Locomotive Superintendent is of opinion that the Board of Directors could obtain the three carriages I now apply for at about the same charge. I beg to suggest, however, that sanction be obtained for an expenditure not exceeding Rupees 20,000.

5. To enable the Directors to supply these carriages in time for the Prince's visit, I should telegraph home before the end of this month, and I therefore beg you will let me know the result of this application as soon as possible.

No. 603. ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1875, No. 1,825.

RAILWAY, No. 80.

The Honorable the Governor in Council accordingly resolves to authorize, in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India, the expenditure of a sum of Rupees 20,000 on saloon carriage accommodation for the South Indian Railway. Detailed estimates accompanied by the plans finally approved should however be furnished as soon as they can be got ready.

2. This sanction has been communicated by telegraph.

(Here enter No. 1,826, dated 30th June 1875.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

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

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 30th June 1875.

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FROM

MAJOR J. O. HASTED, R.E.,

Officiating Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

RAILWAY, No. 81.

SIR,—I am directed to forward a copy of the accompanying Proceedings communicating sanction to the expenditure of a sum not exceeding Rupees 20,000 on the provision of saloon carriage accommodation for the South Indian Railway, and to request that, looking to the circumstances under which the application has been made by the Railway authorities, the action of this Government may be confirmed by the Government of India.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. F. Austin.

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No. 669

South Indian
GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM,

27 June

1875

From

THE AGENT,

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~~Great Southern of India~~ Railway.

To

His Consulting Engineer for Railways

Madras

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Yours most obedt. servt
 W. H. M. Shaw Stewart

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 346. Madras 15th June 1875.

From

Mr J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

Mr. J. Mullins R.E.

WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

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Mr. The Agent

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The Consulting Engineer
 for Railways

Dated 17th June 1875
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No. 669

I have the honour to
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 South Indian Railway
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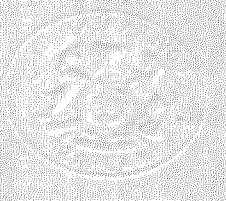
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant,
Mantworth
Comr Genl for Railways

Recd as above
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Value to a letter and a plan from the report of the committee on the construction of a suitable railway carriage.

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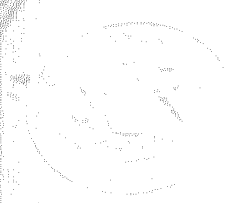
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For Orders.

Letter from the Consulting Engineer for
 Railways No 346 dated 18 June 1875.

It is proposed to
 despatch a telegram to
 the Consulting Engineer
 for Railways, to the
 following effect:-

in anticipation of
 the orders of Government
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 of the Govt. of India

"Expenditure of Rs. 20,000
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John Acton. Major R.E.
 M. H. Secy to Govt.

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