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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th August 1875.*

No. 30. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 24th July 1875, No. 414:—

From G. F. MATHEW, Esq., for Acting Locomotive Superintendent, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Perambore Works, 16th July 1875, No. 308.

I BEG to inform you that one of the large heaps of coal lying in the Locomotive yard at Royapooram was discovered yesterday morning to be on fire.

2. The fire had evidently originated in the lower portion of the heap, only smoke being perceptible; the Locomotive Foreman states that in the early part of the day the smoke was issuing from different portions of the stack, and the coal at some places on the top of the stack was very hot.

3. The two Steam Fire Engines and a Hand Engine were at work nearly the whole day, and at about seven last evening the smoke was greatly reduced, although not entirely allayed; the engines would have had better effect, but unfortunately considerable difficulty was experienced in procuring water, there being no reservoirs or wells sufficiently near for the hose to reach them.

4. Further particulars shall be forwarded to you in the course of the day.

No. 754.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

MADRAS,
16th July 1875.

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

From G. F. MATHEW, Esq., for Acting Locomotive Superintendent, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Perambore Works, 16th July 1875, No. 309.

WITH reference to this office letter, No. 308, dated this day, I beg to inform you that the Locomotive Foreman at Madras in a letter since received reports as follows:—

"The stack of coal showed very great appearances of breaking out again last night about 9, as a good deal of smoke was rising and the coal was getting hot. I at once got the pumps to work, getting the water from the locomotive well and played on it till nearly 3 o'clock this morning. The fire has now every appearance of being out, there being neither smoke nor smell."

No. 757.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with reference to my endorsement, No. 754, of yesterday's date.

MADRAS,
17th July 1875.

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th August 1875.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1875, No. 2,235.

RAILWAY, No. 4.

RECORDED, with the remark that no
cause has been assigned for the occurrence
of the fire.

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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Madras Railway Co.
Loco. Superintendent's Office
Pembroke Works 16th July 1875.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you, that one of the
large heaps of coal lying in the Pembroke
Yard at Rosaparrum was discovered yesterday
morning to be on fire.

The fire had evidently originated
in the lower portion of the heap, only smoke
being perceptible: the Pembroke Foreman
states that in the early part of the day, the
smoke was issuing from different portions of the
stack, and the coal, at some places on the top
of the stack, was very hot.

The two steam fire engines and a
hand engine were at work nearly the whole
day: and, at about seven last evening, the
smoke was greatly reduced, although not entirely
abated: the engines would have had better
effect, but unfortunately, considerable diffi-
culty was experienced in procuring water,
there being no reservoirs or wells sufficiently
near for the horses to reach them.

Further particulars shall be
forwarded to you in the course of the day.

Yours faithfully
J. G. M. Mather
for the Loco. Superintendent

The Agent & Manager.

1 True Copy

H. J. L. L. L.
Agent & Manager

No. 754

For the information of the Consulting
Engineers for Railways -

Madras
16th July 1875

See also letter No 757 d/11/7/75

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated

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Recd.

No.

N^o 309

Madras Railway
Locomotive Superintendent's Office
Perambore Works
16th July 1875.

(10)

The Agent and Manager
Dear Sir,

With reference to this Office letter
N^o 308 dated this day, I beg to inform you
that the Locomotive Storeman at Madras,
in a letter since received, reports as follows:-

(The stack of Coal showed very
"great appearances of breaking out again" last
night about 9 P.M., as a good deal of smoke
was rising, and the coal was getting hot. I
at once got the pumps to work, getting the water
from the Locomotive well, and played on
it till nearly 3 O'clock this morning. The fire
has now every appearance of being out, there
being neither smoke nor smell.

Yours faithfully

(True copy)

G. H. Mathew

for Agt. Locomotive Supt.

W. J. Lister
Agent and Manager

N^o 757

For the information of the Consulting Engineer
for Railways with reference to my endorsement
N^o 756 of yesterday's date.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Recd 16th July
1875

N^o 757

Reporting that one of
the large stacks of coal
lying in the loco yard
all of a sudden was
discovered to be on fire
yesterday.

10-4 Aug 1875
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SUBMITTED FOR THE information OF GOVERNMENT:

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.
Madras, 24 July 1875.

*The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.*

The Agent and Manager.

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Recd.
19.
No. 907.

Devising for the
particulars with
regard to the fine
which broke out in
the State of Co. at
the Day of Comm. 1790

Mr. 6858 / 2 / 25.
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P. W. 1895 Sept.
RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

137 No. 4858

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 26 July 1875
Received 27 July
No. 414
Enclosures 2 ✓

Reporting that
stack of coal at
Rajapour took
fire on 18 July/75

With order -

Recorded with the remark that
no cause has been assigned for the
recurrence of the fire.

No. 2235

Recd

11 Am. Sup. for Rs 1840/-
55 Paid - 1798 75/-

4 Aug 75

for

Rs 30/-
Cu. 30.7.75 Paid 4/8/75
Resptd on 22.7.75

Mr. 4858/1
2/25
P. W. 1895 Sept.
RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

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Gobt. of 1877 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Engineer.

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Nov. 30-81

Madras Railway.-
Report of the stack
of coal at Royapoor
taking fire, recorded
with the remark that
no cause has been
assigned for the
recurrence of the fire.

With order-

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