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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th August 1875.

Read the following letters :—

No. 432. 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, 6th July 1875, No. 1,673 R.

I AM directed to invite attention to paragraph 5 of the Report on Telugu Newspapers in the Madras Presidency for the month of March 1875, and to inquire whether there is any truth in the complaint therein made of offence given to three Mahomedan passengers at the Trivellore Station, Madras Railway.

No. 140.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for report.

19*th July* 1875. (Signed) J. O. HASTED, Major, R.E.,
Officiating Joint Secretary to Government.

No. 433. 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, 11th August 1875, No. 445.

WITH reference to endorsement, No. 140, dated 19th July 1875, on a letter, (herewith returned,) No. 1,673 R, from the Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, inviting attention to a paragraph in the Report on Telugu Newspapers in the Madras Presidency for the month of March 1875, I have the honor to forward the reply* I have received from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway with the enclosed report from the Traffic Manager upon the occurrence referred to.

* No. 836, 9th August 1875, with enclosure.

2. I regret that there should have been any foundation for so grave a charge against a servant of the Company, but I am confident that the Government may rest assured that measures will be taken to prevent the recurrence of an irregularity the gravity of which is fully recognised by the Company's Officers.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 9th August 1875, No. 836.

WITH reference to your letter, No. 752, of the 3rd ultimo, I have the honor to enclose you the copy of a report which I have received from the Traffic Manager on the subject of the extract from the *Lokaranjani* Newspaper. I am extremely sorry to know that a servant of the Railway Company should have acted with so much indiscretion, and I trust that the action taken by the Traffic Manager in the matter will prevent any thing of a similar nature occurring in future.

From H. E. CHURCH, Esq., Traffic Manager, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 7th August 1875, No. C/$\frac{685 \text{ A. \& M.}}{1,364.}$

Extract from reports on Native Papers.

CONSULTING Engineer's letter, No. 752, dated 3rd ultimo.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th August 1875.

I am sorry to say that there is some truth in the report referred to. The Divisional Officer writes as follows:—"I find that upon one occasion, date of which cannot be fixed, there were some pigs to be sent to Madras from Trivellore per 6-45 A.M. cooly-train, and the brake-van being already full the Guard put one of them into a 3rd-class carriage. The Station-Master, however, seeing what was being done, ordered the Guard to remove it at once; and this order was instantly complied with. Owing to the date of the occurrence not being fixed, I am unable to ascertain who was Guard of the train. The Station-Master of Trivellore cannot remember. The delay in answering your letter has been caused by my efforts to trace the Guard. There were, it is said, two passengers in the compartment, and the Guard asked them to remove into another compartment. I cannot ascertain whether they were Hindoos or Mahomedans."

2. I am unwilling to think that the act of the Guard was anything more than thoughtlessness, and it is unfortunate that the date cannot be fixed; steps will, however, be taken at once to warn the staff against a similar act of indiscretion, and I hope no occasion for a similar complaint will be given.

No. 434. ORDER THEREON, 25th August 1875, No. 2,441.

RAILWAY, No. 49.

THE Government regret that such an act of gross and, considering the religious feelings of the people, criminal indiscretion should have been committed by a servant of the Railway Company without its being followed by the severe punishment if not dismissal of the offender; but they rely on the precautions taken by the Company's Officers to guard against any repetition of similar occurrences in future.

2. A copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded to the Government of India together with the explanations of the Railway Officers and Consulting Engineer.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 435. (DOCKET No. 2,442, dated 25th August 1875.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India, with reference to their letter, No. 1,673 R, dated 6th July 1875.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 9th August 1875.

From

R. D. Clarke Esqre
Agent and Manager. of the M. R. Co.

To

The Chief Engineer & Secretary to Govt.
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

6/685 of 1875
1364
7 August

With reference to your letter No. 952 of the 3 instant, I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of a report which I have received from the Traffic Manager on the subject of the extract from the "Kasturi" newspaper. I am extremely sorry to know that a servant of the Railway Company should have acted with so much indiscretion, and I trust that the action taken by the Traffic Manager in the matter will prevent any thing of a similar nature occurring in future.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Agent and Manager

6/685 A&M
1364

Madras Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
7th August 1875.

The Agent and Manager
Madras Railway Co.

Dear Sir,

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Yours faithfully.
(Sd) H. E. Church.
Traffic Manager

(True Copy)

Asst Agent & Manager

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 443 Madras, 11th August 1875.

From
LIEUT.-COLONEL J H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To Lieut.-Colo. J. Mullins, R.E.,
~~Lieut.-Colo. C. W. WALKER, R.E.,~~
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to endorsement No. 1140 dated 19th July 1875 on a letter No. 1693 R from the Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India inviting attention to a paragraph in the Report on Telugu Newspapers in the Madras Presidency for the month of March 1875. I have the honour to forward the reply I have received from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway with the enclosed report from the Traffic Manager upon the occurrence referred to.

Herewith &c. forwarded.

* No 836/39 August 75 with enclosure

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant.

O Lucas Major, R.E.
for Chief Engineer for Ry.

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P. W. Dept.
No. 2454
Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 25 Aug 1875
Read the following
from the Govt Pl. dated (R.D. No 1673 Pl. of July 75
The Comptr. for (Wks. dated 9th Aug 75
Railways

Other Govt. Letters
that Boards, etc. &c.
public security, enclosing
the resignation of petitioner
the Municipal Commissioners
indemnities claimable

Have been communicated
to a Committee of the
Railway Company with
instructions to report
on the proposed amendment
by the 1st proximo

P. W. Dept.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

No: 5237

From
The Consulting Engineer,
for Railways,

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

Dated 11
Recd. 13 August 1875

C. 3. No. 445

Submitting letter
from the Govt. Pl.
requisitioning explanation
as to the alleged in-
convenience experienced
by certain Mohomedans
at Seevelore station

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if not dismissal of the Offender but they rely on the precautions taken by the Company's Officers to guard against any repetition of similar occurrences in future.

A copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded to the Govt of India together with the explanations of the Railway Officers and Consulting Engineer.

(H.C. docket No 2442 dated 25 Aug/75.)

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Copy of the above forwarded to the Govt of

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of India with reference to their letter No 1693 R dated 6th July 1875.

Agreed

W. 19/8

X Attd

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Govt. of India.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

Rec'd. Ans.

G. O. 25 Aug. No. 2441
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Nos. 432-434
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Forwarding Copy of Progress Letter from the Consulting Engr. for Rys furnishing the Explanation called for relating to the inconvenience experienced by Mahommedan passengers at the Limited Stations Madras Railway

Inconvenience experienced by certain Mahomedan passengers at Trivellore Station, M. Rys. — Passing order on letter from the Consulting Engr. for Rys. submitting letter from the Agent, M. Ry. Co., furnishing the explanation called for as to the truth of the alleged ——