

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

No 73 Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
dated Madras, 29th October 1875, No. 585.—

MADRAS RAILWAY.

Report of fatal Accident on the 3rd Division, South-West Line, Section 2

Collectorate—Salem Zillah, Trichengode Taluq, Sunkerrydroog Division *Railway District,
Section and Mile*—3rd Division, 2nd Section, South-West Line, between 220th mile, 8th and 9th
telegraph post *Between what two Stations and name of nearest Village*—Between Sunkerrydroog
and McDonald's Choultry Station, Athcarapolum village *Whether at a level crossing or not*—
Nil *Date of the Accident*—20th October 1875, about 8 p.m. *Nature of Accident*—Injuries
received A deep vertical cut on the forehead, a deep circular wound on the crown of the head
and right arm elbow-joint fractured. *Cumstances which caused the Accident.*—Supposed to have
been sleeping in a sitting posture near the rail at the time the 10 15 A.M. train was approaching,
and received the above injuries *Nature of assistance afforded*—Died instantly, consequently no
medical assistance afforded or required *Name, age, caste, and occupation*—Mootha Moodelly,
age about 45 years, caste Weaver (Kikalan), No 80 bridge special watchman at 220th mile, 3rd
telegraph post. *Gratuity proposed to be given or not, and if so how much.*—Owing to his own
indiscretion while on duty his family is not entitled to any gratuity *Whether reported to the
Police Authorities and verdict of inquest (if any)*—Reported to the Police authorities, verdict of
Coroner's inquest, consisting of Munsif of Yerranapooram and Police Station Officer of
McDonald's Choultry, &c, that the man met with his death from receiving two wounds on his head
and fracture of his right hand elbow by the engine of the 10 15 A.M. train of the 20th instant,
owing to his having been sitting too near the line of rails.

POIHANORF, (Signed) G. HARDINGE,
23rd October 1875. Resident Engineer.
(„) B ANDERSON,
Chief Engineer.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information.
(Signed) J W. MELLIS,
27th October 1875 for Agent and Manager.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.
2. The fatal accident to a watchman is supposed to have been due to his own
indiscretion in sleeping near the line of rails while on duty. No action on the part of
the Railway Company could prevent this.
(Signed) W. H COAKER, Captain, R.E.,
for Consig. Engineer for Railways.

No 74. ORDER THEREON, 4th November 1875, No. 3,124.

RAILWAY, No. 11-C RECORDED and communicated to the
Judicial Department.
(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways
„ Judicial Department
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From The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,
To The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 29th October 1875.
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Enclosure 1

Reporting a
fatal accident to
watchman at 220
3
mile S.W. line on
20 October 1875

With order

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The Judicial Department.

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The Agent and Manager

The Consulting Engineer for Railways

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Accident Engraving
Reprint of a fatal accident
to a balchman on the S.
W. line, recorded & con-
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