

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th November 1875.*

No 327. Read the following letter from Major-General M K. KENNEDY, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Railway Department, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Bombay Castle, 23rd October 1875, No 1,223 —

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No 2,733, dated 21st ultimo, and to forward the reply of the Agent, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, to the proposal made to him to increase the speed of the Mail Train from Raichore to Poona to 21 miles an hour, in order to admit of a later start from Raichore, and at the same time preserve the present hour of arrival at Bombay

2 This Government, I am to state, regret that they do not feel in a position to bring further pressure to bear on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, who, it will be seen, are unwilling to do more than reduce the halt at Raichore to 20 minutes, a reduction which will, as a rule, result in a late start with the consequent necessity of making up time between Raichore and Poona, there are strong objections, as explained in my letter No 845, dated 27th July last, to the later hour proposed for the arrival of the Mail Train at Bombay, and it would seem that, under the circumstances, the best solution of the difficulty would be to accelerate the speed between Tadputri and Raichore until the Pennair bridge is pronounced safe

From H J P THOMSON, Secretary, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel H F HANCOCK, R.E., Under Secretary to Government, dated Bombay, 15th October 1875, No 9,146

In reply to your letter, No 1,116, dated 21st September 1875, and its enclosures, regarding an alteration of the through Mail Train Service between Bombay and Madras, I am directed to state that the proposal of the Madras Railway Company seems to amount in effect to an application for a considerably increased speed over the Great Indian Peninsula Railway in order to save the Madras Company the additional expense involved in faster running upon their line. This does not appear to be quite fair to us, inasmuch as the reason for the alteration is not a matter in which this Company are in any way concerned

2 The proposal to reduce the halt at Raichore to 20 minutes, instead of 40, will put us to some inconvenience, because it will involve almost always a late start from Raichore, in other words, 20 minutes is not enough to do what has to be done at that place. But we will not raise any difficulty about that under the circumstances

3 If Government would agree to allow a later arrival in Bombay, viz, instead of 11-15 A.M., there would be no further difficulty in the matter, but if not, the only way of doing what the Madras Company desire, appears to be for them to run faster up to Raichore and to reduce the halt at Raichore to the 20 minutes suggested in the papers. This will only leave the Madras Company in about the same position as we are in, viz, that from Raichore to Poona we run at a slower pace than we do from Poona to Bombay, whilst our pace between Bombay and Poona is much higher than theirs will be between Tadputri and Raichore

No 328

ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1875, No 3,254

RAILWAY, No 38.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to G.O., No 2,732, dated 21st September 1875.

The resumption of night trains on the North-west Line of the Madras Railway will

1900:01
No 1223 of 1875

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

BOMBAY CASTLE,

23rd October 1875

Exd J. D.

W. H. D. S. Major-General, R. E.,
Secretary to Government

19: March/69 No 529-530.
 5: July/75 No 189 to 191
 - 18: Aug - 310-311
 - 2: Sept - 497 to 499.
 The Indian Traveller's Guide
 18: Oct/75 No 312-313.

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 No: 6991

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY
 RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

To
 THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MADRAS
 IN THE RAILWAY DEPT.

No 1223
 Dated 23rd October 1875
 Received 30 - - - }

E.I.

In reply to Government of India's letter No. 2733 of 1875, forwards the reply of the Agent, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, to the proposal made to him to increase the speed of the Mail Train from Raichur to Poona, &c, and communicates opinion.

R. D. Press-23-10-75

No. 3.27

G.A. No 327/13-11-75

Public Book No 1223

Letter from the Government of Bombay
 dated 23 October 1875 No 1223.

Circulated for orders
 with a suggestion that applica-
 tion be made to the Govern-
 ment of India to enforce
 compliance with the very
 reasonable demand made
 on the Government of Bombay
 in the letter of the 21 September
 1875 No 2733.

It is unpleasant to come
 into actual collision with
 the Govt of Bombay - & to
 appeal to G. of India
 We have done our best &
 failed & I think we
 must give in - and
 increase the speed - It
 will cost 15000 per annum
 till the Pennair bridge
 is repaired.

Secretary to Government

I think we must either
 accelerate the speed - or
 wait till the Pennair bridge
 is made secure. Under the
 circumstances I incline to the latter
 alternative. But the proposed letter
 of Mr. Emery is not satisfactory. So I am
 sure that the bridge is likely to be done. L.H.

No 3254

Public Works Dept.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 13 Nov 1875
Read the following

From
The Govt of Bombay (No. 1223 of 23rd Oct 1875)

Communicated
to the Consulting Engineer
for Railways with refer-
ence to G.O. No. 2732 dated
21st September 1875. The
resumption of night
trains on the North
West Line of the Madras
Railway will be carried
into effect at the earliest
date practicable; the
speed

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speed between Gadpuri
and Raichore being in-
creased to the required
extent, so long as it may
be necessary to delay the
departure of the train
from the former station
on account of the in-
completion of the Purna
bridge.

Y. W.

Prof. Eng. for Rgs 21
Post Master Genl. 3
Financial Dept. 7
Dated - 17-11-75

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Govt. of Madras.

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Acceleration of the Speed of
Mail trains between Ponnai
and Raichore. Letter from
The Govt of Bombay on the
subject of the ——— Comd
to the Consgr. Supr. for Phys. with
remarks.

Recd - 17-11-75