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No. 137. Read the following letter from W. C. FURNIVALL, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway), to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 29th November 1875, No. 2,891 R. :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 2,958, dated the 15th October 1875, submitting the Capital and Revenue Accounts of the Madras Railway for the half-year ending 30th June 1875.

2. In Statement VI. the further Capital outlay required is estimated at Rupees 27,32,235 against Rupees 9,78,038 shown in the estimate of the previous half-year, I am to request that details of the expenditure now anticipated may be forwarded to the Government of India, and that in future whenever the estimates considerably exceed the previous ones, a note may be inserted at foot briefly explaining the cause of the increase.

3. The headings of Statement V. do not tally with those adopted in Statement VI., I am to add that it is desirable that an endeavour should be made to make at least the main heads of these two statements correspond with each other.

4. The number of engines repaired and renewed during the half-year is shown as thirty-four, the number undergoing repairs and renewals on the last day of the half-year as twenty-seven, and the average number constantly under repairs and renewals as thirty-nine. As the latter number appears rather large, I am to inquire whether it has been calculated according to the rule laid down at foot of the revised form, and if so to request that you will furnish some explanation of the reason for such a large proportion of the stock being constantly under repair. An explanation is also requested as to how the original cost of the eleven ballast wagons by which the goods stock appears to have been reduced has been adjusted.

5. The space allotted to the Postal Department in each carriage is given; but I am to point out that without any information as to what proportion of the entire carriage is thus set apart, the requirements of Rule 5 at foot of the form are not exactly met.

6. I am to state that no reply appears to have been received to Public Works Department No. 1,719 R., dated the 10th July 1875, communicating orders and observations on the accounts of the Madras Railway for the second-half of 1874, and to request that you will expedite its transmission.

7. I am further to request that endeavour may be made to submit the half-yearly account at an earlier date in future. The account under notice did not reach the Government of India until November 13th, or four and a half months after the close of the period to which it relates.

No. 138. ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1875, No. 3,481.

RAILWAY, No. 23.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for submission of the information called for and attention to the instructions given.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th December 1875.

2. It is observed with reference to paragraph 6 that Government of India letter No. 1,719 R., dated 10th July 1875, was replied to by No. 3,345 of the 22nd November 1875.

(True Extract.)

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

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 2891/R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department.

Fort William, 29th November 187

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receip
of your No. 2958 dated the 15th October
1875, submitting the Capital and Revenue
Accounts of the Madras Railway for the
half year ending 30th June 1875.

2. In reference to the further explan
atory Statement which is estimated at Rs. 27,322
against Rs. 9,78,038 shown in the Estima
of the previous half year I am to request
that details of the expenditure now explained
may be forwarded to the Government of
India and that in future whenever the
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ones, a note may be inserted at foot briefly explaining the cause of the increase.

3. The headings of Statement V do not tally with those adopted in Statement IV I am to add that it is desirable that no endeavour should be made to make the last the main heads of these two statements correspond with each other.

4. The number of Engines repaired and renewed during the half year is shown as 34, the number undergoing repairs and renewals on the last day of the half year, as 27 and the average number constantly under repairs and renewals as 29. As the latter number appears rather large I am to enquire whether it has been calculated according to the rule laid down at foot of the revised form and if so to request that you will furnish some explanation of the reason for such a large proportion of the stock being constantly under repairs. An explanation is also requested as to how the original cost of the 11 Ballast Wagons

Wagons by which the Goods Stock appears to have been reduced has been adjusted.

5. The space allotted to the Postal Department in each carriage is given both in feet and inches and without any information as to what proportion of the entire carriage is thus set apart, the requirements of rule 5 at foot of the form are not exactly met.

6 I am to state that no reply appears to have been received to Public Works Department No 1719 P dated the 10th July 1875, communicating orders and observations on the accounts of the Madras Railway for the 2nd half of 1874 and to request that you will expedite its transmission.

7. I am further to request that endeavour may be made to submit the half yearly accounts at an earlier date in future. The account under notice did not reach the Government of India until December 13th or 11½ months after the

the close of the period to which it relates.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient Servant,

M Furnivall

Under Secretary

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" 24-7- " — " 632-633

No 3487.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for submission of the information called for and attention to the instructions given.

It is observed with reference to para 6 that Government of India letter No 1779 R dated 10 July/75 was replied to by No 3345 of the 22nd November 1875.

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8 Dec/75.

Consulting Engr

Desp 16-12-75.

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P. W. 1875 Dept

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From

The Govt. of India

Dated 29th Novr } 1875
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No 2891 R.

Remarking on the Capital and Revenue Accounts of the Madras Railway for the half year ending 30th June 1875.

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