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No. 259 Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 23rd February 1875, No. 115 —

MADRAS RAILWAY.

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

Collectorate—Coimbatore District, Erode Taluq *Railway District, Section, and Mile*—3rd Division, 2nd Section, South-West Line, 241st mile 10th telegraph post *Between what two Stations, and name of nearest Village*—Sunkerrydroog and Erode Stations, Erode Village *Whether at a level crossing or not*—Nil. *Date of the accident*—2nd January 1875, about 7 A M *Nature of accident*—Fell between sleepers and rails in the act of crossing bridge at the third opening from west end to go to his work, viz, Pointing Bridge No 134, Cauvery. Injuries received were as follow—Fracture of the skull, compound fracture of the right arm, and a severe cut in the left foot *Circumstances which caused the accident*—Supposed to be by losing his footing through heavy dew *Nature of assistance afforded*—Taken to the Railway Apothecary, who sent him on to the Civil Hospital, Erode, where he died at about 1 P M *Name, age, caste, and occupation*—Moothookistnen, 22 years, Vellalan, Bricklayer. *Gratuity proposed to be given or not, and, if so, how much*—Will be mentioned hereafter if necessary *Whether reported to the Police Authorities, and verdict of Inquest (if any)*—Reported to the Police Authorities of Erode *Remarks by the Company's Officers*—Nil.

POTHANORE,
5th January 1875

(Signed) G HARDINGE,
Resident Engineer

(Signed) B ANDERSON,
Chief Engineer

Remarks by the Consulting Engineer—No inquest was held for reasons given in the accompanying letter, No 41, dated 8th instant, from the Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore, to the Inspector-General of Police. A gratuity of Rupees 100 was given to the family of the deceased

(Signed) W. H COAKER, Lieut.,-R E.,
for Consulting Engineer for Railways

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information

7th January 1875

(Signed) R B ELWIN,
Agent and Manager

Endorsement No 567 on letter from Consulting Engineer for Railways

From the Superintendent of Police, to the Assistant Inspector-General of Police, Madras, dated Coimbatore, 8th February 1875, No 41

MEMORANDUM from the Assistant Inspector-General of Police, No 104, dated 29th January 1875

The Divisional Inspector of Police, Golam Hyder, reports that Head Constable 334, Station Officer of Erode, assigns the following reasons for holding no inquest —

- (a)—That deceased died after reaching the Dispensary, and there was therefore no suspicion attaching to death of deceased
- (b)—That the Village Magistrate of Erode was not at hand
- (c)—That deceased's brother-in-law, representative, (who is in the office of the Permanent-way Inspector at Sunkerry,) pressed for immediate burial in order that he might return home

2 The Station Officer, however, sent immediate Occurrence Reports, giving particulars of accident and its result, to the Divisional Taluq Magistrates

3 The Inspector of Police was unfortunately absent elsewhere on duty, but on hearing of the omission to hold inquest he at once communicated the omission to the Taluq Magistrate, who