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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th May 1876.*

No 153 Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
dated Madras, 25th April 1876, No 201 —

From H E CHURCH, Esq, Traffic Manager, to R B ELWIN, Esq, Agent and
Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 3rd April 1876,
No C 69198-13533

Cholera with Soldier while in Train

I BEG to forward copy of a telegram received from the Commandant, Wellington,
for your information

“From Commandant, Wellington, Coonoor, to Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, Madras
PARTY arrived, Mettapolliem, Saturday morning, one fatal case cholera, another doubtful,
both began on line between Arcunum and Mettapolliem

No 337

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information

(Signed) R B ELWIN,
Agent and Manager

4th April 1876

From H E CHURCH, Esq, Traffic Manager, to R B ELWIN, Esq, Agent and Manager
of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 19th April 1876, No C 69198-13533

Cholera among Troops

THE Chief Guard of the train when called upon to say whether it was known to the Com-
pany's officials that cholera had appeared among the troops, reports as follows —

“The detention of the train at Sunkerrydroog and Somanoor was owing to a few soldiers
suffering with cramp in the stomach, and the Apothecary of the detachment attended on them
The men were shifted into the same compartment with the Apothecary for fear the complaint
would turn into cholera ”

Mr Bailey adds —

“A Government Apothecary was in charge of the troops Our people do not seem to have
known that cholera had broken out in the detachment, and the carriages were therefore not
disinfected ”

No 423

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information

(Signed) R B ELWIN,
Agent and Manager

MADRAS,
21st April 1876

SUBMITTED for the information of Government

2 Endorsement No 423 is in reply to an inquiry from this office as to whether
the fact that cholera had appeared among the troops in the train was known to the
Company's officials

(Signed) J H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Lt-Col, R E,
Consulting Engineer for Railways

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th May 1876.*

No 154

ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1876, No 1,159

RAILWAY, No 21.

SEEING that the train had to be detained on two occasions, once at Sun-kerrydroog and again at Somanoor, owing to sickness among the troops, it is very unsatisfactory to find that the servants of the Company neglected to take such precautionary measures as were necessary to prevent the spread of the disease. The plea of ignorance, if it can be admitted in the case of the officers of the station where train was just stopped, is quite inadmissible at the later stations, especially at Mettapolliem

(True Extract)

Colonel,
Offg Under Secy. to Govt, P W D

No. 201
SUBMITTED FOR THE *information* OF GOVERNMENT.

*Endorsement No. 423 is in re-
-ply to an inquiry from this Office
as to whether the fact that Cholera
had appeared among the troops in
the train was known to the Company's
Officials.*

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras, *25th April 1876*

M. M. S. P.
E.
Consq. Engineer for Railways

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

No 1159

Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 9th May 1876.

Read the following —

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From *Eng. R. 1876. Department*
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The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,
To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St George.

Dated *25th April 1876.*
Received *25th April 1876.*

No. 201

ENCLOSURES 2.

Report on the
appearance of
Cholera among
troops in train

No 153

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From the
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways

(H.C. No. 201 of 25th April 1876)

RM 3/5

Seeing that the train
had to be detained on
two occasions, once at
Sunderly Droog and again
at Somasoor owing to
sickness among the troops,
it is ^{very} ~~not~~ satisfactory to
find ~~it stated~~ that the
servants of the Company
~~were entirely ignorant~~
of the nature of the
Complaint from which
the men were suffering,
and ~~so~~ neglected to take

such

such precautionary measures
as were necessary to prevent
the spread of the disease.

Something definite should
apparently have been
ascertained by the time
the train arrived at ^{Duffur} Solhan
or Coimbatore; and when
it reached Mettapollium
the ~~symptoms of~~
~~the~~ ~~should have been~~
~~hesitation in pronouncing~~
that Cholera must have
been well developed
at that time.

4/11/11

The plea of ignorance
if it can be admitted
in the case of the ~~frank~~
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was first stopped is quite
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stations especially at
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11/11/11

No 153/52

Comd'g Engrs for Rys. S
Military Dept. S
Public Dept. S

Desps 19/5/11

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Com^r Engrs for Railways

From

By

For

By

G O, 9th May 1870, No 1159

153/52

Charters among Troopers
Trani - Passing orders
on Endorsement of the Com^r
Engrs for Rps submitting
papers relating to the
prevalence of

[Signature]
20th May