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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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Read the following papers:—

No. 86. From Major C. J. SMITH, R.E., Officiating Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 28th August 1876, No. 432.

I HAVE the honor to submit the accompanying papers* reporting an accident which occurred at 62 miles 61 chains, Northern

*From Agent, No. 1,777, dated 14th June 1876. Extension of the South Indian Railway, between the Olakkur and Acherrawak Stations on 3rd June 1876, by the overturning of a cart into the foundations of a gate lodge.

It will be observed that the cart was loaded with two casks of ground-nut oil and occupied by four persons, a man, his wife, and two children, one of whom, a girl of about seven years of age, was, by the upsetting of the cart, crushed between the oil casks and killed. The vehicle was engaged at Villapooram and was proceeding north on, the Trichinopoly Trunk Road.

3. An inquest having been held upon the body of the deceased child, a verdict was found to the effect that the child was killed by the fall of a cart through the negligence of the driver, who was thereupon taken before the Tahsildar of Madranticum, tried and sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment.

4. The accident appears to have taken place at about 3 o'clock on a dark and rainy morning. I regret to add the excavation extended almost to the top of the road slope, was situated at the angle of divergence of the rail road from the road embankment, and was unprotected by fencing or barrier of any sort.

I have requested the Agent to call the attention of the Chief Engineer to the necessity for providing for the public safety in instances of this kind.

No. 1,777.

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY.

AGENT'S DEPARTMENT.

Report of Accident.

Collectorate.—Chingleput. Railway District, Section, and Mile.—District No. 5, Northern Extension, Section 2, 62 miles 61 chains. Between what two Stations, and name of nearest Village.—Kadamalupattam, between Acherrawak and Olakkur. Whether at a level crossing or not.—At level crossing. Date of the Accident.—3rd June 1876, at about 3 a.m. Nature of the Accident.—Overturn of cart (into foundations for a gate lodge) proceeding north on Trichy Trunk Road, child killed, infant injured, father injured. Circumstances which caused the Accident.—Neglect of bandy driver. Nature of assistance afforded.—Nil. Name, age, caste, and occupation.—Jayembee, aged 6 years, Mariambee, aged 1 year; Shikabdulla, aged 50 years, Mussulman. Gratuity proposed to be given or not, if so, how much.—Nil. Whether reported to the Police Authorities and verdict of Inquest (if any).—Reported to the Police. Remarks by the Company's Officers.—Carelessness and recklessness on the part of persons in charge of cart, and no blame on the Company's servants. Remarks by the Consulting Engineer.—Nil.

NEGAPATAM,
14th June 1876.

(Signed) W. S. BETTS,
Agent.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
5th October 1876. No. 2,633.

From W. S. BETTS, Esq., Agent of the South Indian Railway, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 28th June 1876, No. 1,846.

Your letter, No. 637, of the 17th instant. I have the pleasure to hand you a plan showing the relative positions of the road and the gate lodge, into the foundations of which the cart fell. It does not appear that a formal inquest was held, but there was an inquiry, the result of which was to attach the whole blame to the driver of the cart, who, on being taken before the Tahsildar of Madranticum, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

From R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Magistrate of the Chingleput District, to Lieutenant-Colonel
J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Sydapet,
21st July 1876, No. 347.
In reply to your letter of the 17th inst.

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant, No. 894, I have the honor to state that an inquest was held on the body of the deceased child therein alluded to on or about the 3rd June last, and a verdict returned to the effect that "the child was killed by the fall of a cart through the negligence of the driver."

2. I forward, for your information, copies of the summary of evidence and finding and sentence recorded by the Second-class Taluq Magistrate of Madranticum.

No. 87. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department,
dated 30th September 1876, No. 2,006.
Read letter from the District Magistrate of Madras.

Read letter from the District Magistrate of Chingleput, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 14th September 1876, No. 82.

His GRACE the Governor in Council considers that the cartman in this case was punished for an accident due to the neglect of the Railway Company to fence the pit which they had dug in dangerous proximity to the road and left without any kind of warning or watch. The Government consider that the Company should compensate the man for the punishment he has undergone by a money payment of (say) Rupees 30.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) **W. HUDLESTON,**
Chief Secretary.

No. 87-A. ORDER THEREON, 5th October 1876, No. 2,688.
RAILWAY, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for communication to the Agent of the South Indian Railway. His Grace the Governor in Council will also be glad to learn what notice the Railway Authorities have taken of the neglect of the member of the Engineering Department entrusted with the immediate supervision of the work.
(True Extract.)

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Exd. A. Grubert.
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Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P. W. D.

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Chingleput District, Magistrate's Office,
Maidapet, 21st July 1876.

P. H. Barlow Esq.
MAGISTRATE OF THE
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Wm. Moore
Asst. Magistrate.

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No. 1846 *South Indian* GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY. *SC*
 AGENT'S OFFICE,
 NEGAPATAM, 28th June 1876

From

THE AGENT, *South Indian*
 Great Southern of India Railway,

To

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I have the honour to be
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 Your Most Obedt Servant
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Agent

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Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 28th Sept. 1876.

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From *Major C. J. Smith* *Reli*
Lieut. Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servt,
W. L. Smith Major R.E.
Off. Secy Coast Railway

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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The Chief Eng^r for
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Recorded and
communicated to the
Judicial Department.
In the position in which
the excavation has been
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been securely fenced. The
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neglect on the part of the
member of the Engineering
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From

The Consulting Engineer

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To

The Secretary to Government,

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N^o 2688 Public Works Department.

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UNDER date the 5th Oct^r 1876.
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To

The Commr. Genl. for P.W.

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Nos. 55-57A

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