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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
17th October 1876. No. 2,781.*

No. 256. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 6th October 1876, No. 483 :—

I HAVE the honor to lay before His Grace the Governor in Council a letter* from the Agent of the Madras Railway, in which application is made for the construction of

four addition double saloon first-class carriages, similar to those now in use, at a cost of Rupees 29,400. Mr. Elwin states that these carriages are very much required for the accommodation of the ordinary first-class traffic; but that they are specially and urgently required now, in order to be used with the special trains which will be run in December in connection with the Imperial Assemblage at Delhi.

2. There are at present eight of this class of carriages in use on the Madras Railway. These were built under the sanctions conveyed in the Proceedings of Government, dated the 14th August 1873, No. 2,017, and the 1st February 1875, No. 266. When urging the sanction of the last batch of four, the Traffic Manager

† Procs. of Govt., 9th July 1874, No. 1,835. stated† that twelve in all would be ultimately required; and in the Madras

Railway Budget for 1876-77, provision was made for increasing the number from eight to twelve. The item was, however, struck

Paragraph 4 of note accompanying Budget Estimate. out in this office. The want of additional accommodation was recognized; but it

Vide Proceedings of Government, 14th December 1875, No. 3,529. was arranged that endeavours should be made to convert some of the old day

carriages into sleeping carriages, and it was hoped that the building of new carriages might thus be deferred. Those endeavours have not succeeded, as the woodwork of the old carriages was found to be in such a state that any attempted alteration must result in reconstruction.

3. I have discussed with the Railway Officials the alleged necessity for these new double saloon carriages, and I am satisfied that the number now in use is inadequate to the requirements of the ordinary first-class traffic over lines aggregating 857 miles in length. Under ordinary circumstances, the proposed expenditure would have been included in the Budget Estimate for 1877-78; but, in order to enable the staff to meet the demands which will, without doubt, be made upon their available rolling stock in connection with the Imperial Assemblage at Delhi, I have taken the responsibility to authorize the immediate commencement of the work, in anticipation of sanction. If the carriages are to be available for use in December, there is no time to be lost; and I beg that my proceedings in the matter may be confirmed, and the estimate transmitted to the Government of India for sanction.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 23rd September 1876, No. 972.

ADVERTING to the conversation that took place at the Committee Meeting held in my office on the 19th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith an estimate of the cost of

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constructing four additional double saloon carriages of a similar pattern to those sanctioned in your letter of the 3rd February 1875, No. 146, and I hope that you will be able to recommend the Government to sanction the proposed expenditure without delay, in order that the saloons may be completed in time to be used with the special trains which we anticipate we shall have to run during December next in connection with the Imperial Assemblage to be held at Delhi.

2. The proposed addition to our rolling stock is also very much required for the accommodation of the ordinary first-class traffic of the line. We have at present eight of these double saloons, which are not sufficient to meet the requirements of the public between Madras and Mettapolliem, Bangalore, Raichore and Bellary. We have consequently almost always to run one of the old pattern of first-class sleeping carriage to Bangalore, to and from which station the first-class traffic is very considerable, and for the Bellary branch on which at times the first-class traffic is also heavy, a saloon carriage is never available.

3. Much dissatisfaction is expressed by the public with the old style of carriages which, under present circumstances, we are obliged to have in general use, and I therefore strongly recommend the Government to sanction the expenditure now proposed.

4. It is intended that the old carriages now in use shall be kept at the junctions and principal stations as spare carriages, an arrangement which is very necessary, but which we are not able to carry out with our present stock.

No. 257. ORDER THEREON, 17th October 1876, No. 2,781.

RAILWAY, No. 20.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council recognizes the necessity for the additional first-class carriages of the new pattern, and, as it appears to be impracticable to provide for the want by conversion of existing stock, new constructions must be undertaken.

2. In order to have the carriages ready by December next, when the demand for them will be most urgent, the Consulting Engineer has, it is observed, authorized the commencement of the work in anticipation of sanction. The proceeding is approved, and the estimate will be transmitted to the Government of India for sanction.

(Here enter No. 2,782, dated 17th October 1876.)
(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner of Railway Accounts.

Exd. F. C. Shunker.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 17th October 1876.

No. 258.

No. 2,782.

FROM

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

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

RAILWAY, No. 21.

SIR,—I am directed to forward herewith an estimate, amounting to Rupees 29,400, for the construction of four additional double saloon first-class carriages for the Madras Railway of the pattern of those at present in use. The accompanying letters explain the necessity for the proposed addition to the rolling stock, and why it has been considered expedient to set the work in hand at once. His Grace the Governor in Council has approved the action taken, and I am to request that it may be confirmed, and the estimate sanctioned by the Government of India.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel,
Offg Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
for Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. C. Shunker.
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No. 972

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 23rd September 1876.

From

Robt B. Elwin Esq.

Agent and Manager, M.R.

To

Lieut. Col. H. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.

Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

Adverting to the conversation that took place at the Committee Meeting held in my Office on the 19th instant I have the honour to forward herewith an Estimate of the cost of constructing four additional double Saloon Carriages of a similar pattern to those sanctioned in your letter of the 3rd of February 1875, No. 146, and I hope that you will be able to recommend the Government to sanction the proposed expenditure without delay, in order that the Saloons may be completed in time to be used with the special trains which we anticipate we shall have to run during December next in connection with the Imperial assemblage to be held at Delhi.

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A. K. Howe
Agent and Manager.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 6th October 1876.

No. 487

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
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Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

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To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways

Dated

23rd Sept 1876

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For Most obedt Servt.

Senior Engineer for Railways

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Read the following :—

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,

To

*The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George*

Dated

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Admiral

Dear Mr. Gifford -

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(M.E. No. 2782 d/ 17th Oct. 1875)

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Yours with Respects
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To
The Com^r Eng^r for M^{rs}

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