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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st December 1876. No 3,259.*

Read the following papers —

No 57 Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras,
28th March 1876, No 158.

From W S BETTS, Esq, Agent, South Indian Railway, to Lieutenant-Colonel J H
M SHAW-STEWART, R E, Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated
Negapatam, 10th March 1876, No 1,359.

My letter No 1,353 of the 9th instant I have this afternoon received a telegram
to the following effect from the Chief Engineer —

“In the light of experience gained in narrowing the gauge of the eastern section,
I think the conversion of the western section may safely be estimated at half a lakh.”

SUBMITTED for the information of Government in continuation of my letter dated
9th March 1876, No 118

2. The amount for which it was thought the conversion could be carried out was
estimated in the above letter at Rupees 60,000, but the Agent now considers that
Rupees 50,000 would be sufficient for the work

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

No. 57-A Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras,
15th May 1876, No 242

From W S BETTS, Esq, Agent, South Indian Railway, to Lieutenant-Colonel J H
M SHAW-STEWART, R E, Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated
Negapatam, 8th May 1876, No 1,623

I ATTACH hereto an extract from the Board's letter, No 83, received per last mail,
and I shall feel obliged by your bringing under the notice of Government the views
of the Directors regarding the alteration to the metre gauge of the line between Trichi-
nopoly and Erode

Extract from Board's Letter, dated London, 13th April 1876, No 83

Alteration of Gauge, Trichinopoly-Erode Section

FROM the tenor of the Consulting Engineer's letter, dated 9th March 1876, No 224, it is
hoped that a decision has at length been come to in favor of at once undertaking the conversion
to the metre gauge of the line from Trichinopoly to Erode. The Directors have on more than
one occasion strongly expressed their views that this was the proper course to pursue in the best
interests of the Company, and they still continue decidedly of that opinion

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government, at the request of the Agent,
South Indian Railway, and in continuation of letters Nos. 4 and 118, dated the 4th of
January and the 9th of March 1876.

2 The letter from this office, No 224, to which the Board of Directors allude,
was written in order to ascertain the exact probable cost of converting to the metre

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gauge the line between Erode and Trichinopoly. The matter was referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of my letter to Government, No 118; and the Agent's reply was laid before Government with my endorsement No. 158, dated the 28th March 1876

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

No 58.

ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1876, No. 3,259

RAILWAY, No. 3.

RECORDED with reference to paragraph
2 of letter to the Government of India.
No 3,024, dated 11th November 1876

(True Extract)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways

No. 1359

GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 10 March 1876

From

THE AGENT,

South Indian
Great Southern of India Railway,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railway
Madras

SIR,

My letter No 1353 of the 9th Inst I have
this afternoon received a telegram to the following effect
from the Chief Engineer -

"In the light of experience gained in narrowing
the gauge of the eastern section, I think the conversion of
the western section may safely be estimated at half a
lac"

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servant

William B. B.

Agent

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2 The amount for which it was thought the conversion could be carried out was estimated in the above letter at Rs 60,000, but the Agent now considers that Rs 50,000 would be sufficient for the work.

Madras, 28 March 1876

Consgr. Engineer for Railways.

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GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,
NEGAPATAM, 8th May 1876

From

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

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras

SIR,

I attach hereto an Extract from the Board's letter No 83 received per last mail, and I shall feel obliged by your bringing under the notice of Government, the views of the Directors regarding the alterations to the metro gauge of the line between Trichinopoly and Erode.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant

William B. B. B.
Agent

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From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

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

Dated 28th March 1876.
Received 30th

No. 158.

Enclosure 1

Submits a
letter from the Agent
of the S. I. R. regarding
the estimate of the
conversion of the
line from broad to
narrow gauge.

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Apr 28-4-76
Apr 29-4-76
Apr 30-4-76
May 1-5-76

South Indian Railway
 Extract from Board's letter dated
 London 13th April 1876. N^o 83.

Alteration of Gauge. Trichinopoly. Erode Section.

From the tenor of the Consulting Engineer's letter, dated 9th March, 1876. N^o 224, it is hoped that a decision has at length been come to in favour of at once undertaking the conversion to the Metre Gauge of the line from Trichinopoly to Erode. The Directors have on more than one occasion strongly expressed their views that this was the proper course to pursue in the best interests of the Company, and they still continue decidedly of that opinion.

(True Extract)

Negapatam
 Agents office
 8th May 1876

L. J. B. B. B.
 Agent

P. N^o 3554 / 76

From
 Mr. Agent
 G. J. Railway
 To
 Mr. Consulting Engineer
 for Railway
 Dated 8th May 1876
 At 10.3 AM.
 No 1623
 Alterations of Gauge
 from Trichy to
 Erode

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Madras, 16th May — 1876.

No 242

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SUBMITTED for the consideration OF GOVERNMENT,
at the request of the Agent South Indian
Railway, and in continuation of letters Nos.
14 and 16, dated the 4th of January and the
9th of March 1876.

2. The letter from this office No. 224,
to which the Board of Directors allude, was
written in order to ascertain the exact pro-
-bable cost of converting to the metre gauge
the line between Erode and Trichinopoly.
The matter was referred to in paragraphs 2 and
3 of my letter to Government No. 15; and the
Agent's reply was laid before Government with
my endorsement No. 158 dated the 28th March
1876.

W. M. M. M. M.
District Engineer,

Cons. Engineer for Railways.

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George.

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Read the following, -

No 3259 of 1 May 76.
From
The Chief Eng^r for Ry^s (H.E. No 158 of 28th March 1876)
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Recorded with
reference to para 2 of
letter to the Government
of India No 3024 dated
11th November 1876.

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P. H. 25 Apr.
Despd - 17-5-76

Submitting letter
from the eng^r R. S. H.
presenting an extract from
a letter from the Chief Eng^r
concerning the construction
of the gauge of the line
between the bridge and the
station.

Dated 15th May 1876.
Received 17th May 1876.
No 242

Enclosures 2

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,
1876.
The Secretary to Government,
P W Department,
Fort St George.

Chief Eng^r for Ry^s 24
Despd - 11-12-76
[Signature]

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To *The Com^r Eng^r for M^{rs}*

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G. O. 1st Dec 1876 No. 373

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Papers from the Com^r Eng^r
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