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No. 82. Read the following letter from Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Guaranteed Railways,) to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Fort William, 16th February 1876, No. 75 A—GR:—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 52, dated the 10th January 1876, forwarding copy of correspondence containing the views of the authorities concerned in regard to the changes proposed to be introduced in the forms of half-yearly accounts of Guaranteed Railways.

2. The Auditor of the Madras Railway takes objection to the transfer of the head "Hire of Locomotives" from Abstract B to Abstract G. but I am to point out that it is more properly a special and miscellaneous charge than a locomotive charge. The line hiring locomotives has to keep them in repair in the same way as its own stock, so that, if they had been provided from Capital instead of their being hired from other Railways, the other items of expenses would have been the same, and there would have been no charge for hire. This remark also applies to the removal of the charges for "Hire of Vehicles," "Mileage of foreign stock" and "Rent of stations, &c., jointly occupied" from Abstract D.

3. With reference to the treatment of the "Mileage of foreign stock" as a special and miscellaneous charge, the Government Examiner is of opinion that as loaded foreign vehicles running on home lines save the carriage and wagon department certain charges on account of repairs, it is open to question whether that department should not bear the payments made on account of their mileage. I am to state that the saving arising to the carriage and wagon department from the running of loaded foreign vehicles on a home line is counterbalanced by the expenses incurred on account of home vehicles running on foreign lines, and, as the receipts from the latter are credited under Sundries, it is only proper that the payments made for the mileage of foreign stock should be dealt with as a miscellaneous charge.

4. The nature of the personal contingent charges to be shown in Abstract E has now been more definitely indicated in the form.

5. In Abstract I neither the "Rate per animal per mile" nor "Rate per ton per mile" is required to be shown, and the forms have been altered to make this clear.

6. I am to add that the Government of India quite agree with the Railway authorities in thinking that frequent changes in the prescribed forms are not desirable, and they trust that the present forms will obviate any further revision for a long time to come.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1876, No. 604.

RAILWAY, No. 9.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways and to the Examiner of Railway Accounts with reference

to G.O., No. 51, dated 10th January 1876.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

" Examiner of Railway Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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