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No. 16. Read the following letter from W. C. FURNIVALL, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railways,) to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Fort William, 23rd March 1876, No. 832 R. :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your docket, No. 3,173, dated the 6th November 1875, forwarding the Review of the Revenue Account of the South Indian Railway for the half-year ending 31st December 1874, together with copy of letter, No. 593, of the 2nd November 1875, from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, and, in reply, to make the following remarks.

2. *Table A.*—Under “ Financial Results,” the total capital expenditure on open mileage, inclusive of rolling stock, is shown as £1,468,326; whereas from the synopsis of the financial transactions of the Guaranteed Railway Companies to the end of 1874, circulated with Public Works Department Resolution, No. 3 A—G.R., of the 5th January 1876, it appears to be £1,975,126, I am to request an explanation of the cause of this discrepancy.

3. It appears from *Table B* that the total unit mileage of 2nd-class passengers shown in column (b) of *Table M—I* is exclusive of the mileage of season ticket passengers, and that the average receipt per unit per mile shown in *Table M—V* is also exclusive of it. I am to request that the total mileage of units may be shown in future in *Table M—I*.

4. The average mileage of return journey passengers seems to be high and leads to the inference that each return ticket has not been counted as two passengers as directed in the foot-notes to Abstract H of the revised forms of Revenue Account, I am to inquire whether this is the practice on the South Indian Railway.

5. In *Table C*, the rate per ton per mile of 3rd-class goods is shown as Pies 25·667, but from the data of receipts and ton-mileage, it appears to be Pies 25·56. Similarly, from the data of ton-mileage and tonnage, the average mileage of total general merchandize appears to be 58·77 instead of 52·696.

6. *Table E—II.*—The description and measurements of both wooden and iron sleepers laid on the section of line between Arconum and Conjeveram are not stated. I am to request that these particulars may be furnished in future returns.

7. *Table M—I.*—The engine mileage shown against heading 23 (a) differs from the train mileages entered under locomotive and maintenance departments in *Table D—I* by 902 miles, I am to request that in future these mileages should be made to correspond with each other as directed in the revised forms of Review of Revenue Account.

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1st April 1876.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 1st April 1876, No. 862.

RAILWAY, No. 6.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways who will observe in future returns the requirements of the Government of India, and will report on the discrepancies noticed in paragraphs 2 and 5.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. T. O'Connor.
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Under date the 1 April/76;

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ending 31st Decr 1874. Letter
from the Government of India
calling attention to certain dis-
crepancies in the Commu-
nicated to the Consulting
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