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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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10th April 1876.*

No. 180. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 3rd April 1876, No. 166:—

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, 29th March 1876, No. 1,447.

Your No. 293 of the 27th instant. I have the honor to enclose herein copies of Circulars issued by the Chief Engineer and Traffic Manager on the occasion of the journey of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

No. 10,195.

CIRCULAR No. 1.

Southern Extension.

So far as is at present known His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will leave Trichinopoly by Railway for Madura and Tuticorin on or about the morning of the 8th of December (the exact date to be hereafter intimated).

2. I wish to impress upon you the great importance of doing all you can to drill your platelayers, mile watchmen, and gatekeepers into a knowledge of their duties and responsibilities, of yourself personally looking with the greatest care to all fastenings on the line, fish-bolts and nuts, fang-bolts and spikes, and especially to the bedding of the girders on all bridges, and the fastenings of the bridges themselves.

3. On the day previous to that on which the Prince is to pass over the line you will be good enough to make personally a final and careful inspection of all these matters reporting to me by telegraph that you have done so, and the state in which you find the line; and on the day on which His Royal Highness is to pass along, you will be careful, personally, as far as possible, and by the aid of your Inspectors and other responsible subordinates, to see that all is right and the line clear.

4. In addition to the ordinary mile watchmen and gatekeepers you will please to see that every crossing of the line is guarded by a special watchman on the day on which the Prince travels over the Railway: that is to say, every public road and every accommodation road crossing is to have on that day a watchman, and it might be well if you consider it necessary at any important road crossing to place two watchmen, one to guard each side of the line, so as to prevent the possibility of any accident either to the train or to any one attempting to cross the line.

5. In order that these extra watchmen may have some knowledge of the work they have to do, please to appoint them to their respective crossings from the 1st of December.

6. See that all crossings are clear of earth, ballast, or obstruction of any kind however trifling.

7. At all villages and towns where it is likely that crowds may assemble, or at any locality known or likely to be liable to be trespassed upon by cattle, special watchmen are to be placed.

8. In addition to these precautions you will please see that no length of line greater than quarter of a mile is left without a man to guard it on the day on which His Royal Highness travels.

9. I shall be glad to receive, as soon as possible, a report on the measures which you propose to adopt, to carry out the foregoing instructions, and I shall also be glad to receive any suggestions which may, in your opinion, tend to further the object in view.

TRICHINOPOLY,
12th November 1875.
To all Engineers.

(Signed) DAVID LOGAN,
Chief Engineer.

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No. 11,772.

CIRCULAR No. 2.

Southern Extension.

In continuation of my letter No. 10,195 of 12th ultimo, it is now expected that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will land at Tuticorin on the 9th of this month, and that he will travel over the line on the 9th, 10th, and 11th of December on his way to Madras.

2. In addition to the precautions directed to be taken in my letter referred to, a Pilot Engine is to precede the Royal Train by about 45 minutes. The Pilot Engine will be distinguished by three hand-signal flags—red, white, and green in front; that is, one green, one red, and one white hand-signal flag will be carried in front to enable the staff on the line to recognize the Pilot from any other engine.

3. Each Engineer in charge of a length must precede the Royal Train on the Pilot Engine to see that every thing is right, and that all are at their posts. A set of hand-signal flags, together with some fog signals must be carried on the engine so that if any thing is wrong or any delay to the Pilot Engine occurs, prompt measures may be taken to send back and warn the Royal Train.

4. At all the large bridges and at any considerable inequality of the road, the green caution flag must be exhibited to cause drivers to slacken speed.

5. Finally, look carefully to every thing in connection with safe working of the road, and run no risk of any kind whatever.

TRICHINOPOLY,
6th December 1875.
To all Engineers.

(Signed) DAVID LOGAN,
Chief Engineer.

No. 11,897.

CIRCULAR No. 3.

PLEASE to note that the Pilot Engine will precede the Royal Train by about 45 minutes, and that all gates and crossings are as before to be kept shut from time Pilot passes until Royal Train passes.

2. Be good enough to acknowledge receipt of this.

TRICHINOPOLY,
7th December 1875.
To all Engineers.

(Signed) FRANCIS F. SMITH,
for Chief Engineer.

No. 11,880.

CIRCULAR No. 4.

W. Griffith, Esq., Resident Engineer, Negapatam, Erode Section.

With reference to my letter No. 11,775 of yesterday's date with an enclosure, (copy of letter, No. 10,195 of 12th November 1875, to Assistant Engineers,) it is expected that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales' Special will leave Trichinopoly for Erode at midnight on Saturday next the 11th instant, the precise time of starting will be notified hereafter.

2. You will be good enough to arrange to precede the Royal Train on the Pilot Engine to see that the line staff are at their posts, and that all is safe and in proper order on the line.

3. In addition to the precautions noted in my previous letters, should any thing occur or be on the road of which the Royal Train should be advised, you will telegraph back to the nearest station whatever is necessary for communication to that train.

(Signed) FRANCIS F. SMITH,
for Chief Engineer.

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No. 11,817.

CIRCULAR No. 5.

Royal Train.

A Pilot or light Engine will precede the Royal Train by 45 minutes.
By Day.

This engine will be distinguished by carrying in front three hand-signal flags, viz., one green, one white, and one red flag; the same marks will also be carried behind, viz., one green, one white, and one red signal flag.

By Night.

The Pilot Engine will carry in front one red light at top and one white light on each end of the buffer beam.

The Royal Train itself will be distinguished by night by a white head lamp and one red lamp at each end of the buffer beam.

(Signed) FRANCIS F. SMITH,
for Chief Engineer.
TRICHINOPOLY,
7th December 1875.
To all Engineers.

No. 11,865.

CIRCULAR No. 6.

R. White, Esq., Deputy Chief Engineer, Madras.

I SEND you herewith copies of my instructions to the Engineers on the line over which it is expected His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will travel, and I have to request that you will be good enough to aid me in seeing that these instructions have been received and are understood.

2. You will observe that each Engineer in charge of a Division or District is to precede the Royal Train on the Pilot Engine. In addition to what I have laid down in the letters now enclosed I shall advise Engineers that should any thing occur, or be on the road of which the Royal Train ought to be advised, the necessary information should be telegraphed back to the Royal Train for information and guidance.

3. You will be good enough to post yourself on the engine of the Royal Train to aid the Locomotive Superintendent with your local knowledge of the road, and to see that speed is slackened over such parts of the line as you judge it expedient to adopt this precaution upon.

TRICHINOPOLY,
7th December 1875.

(Signed) FRANCIS F. SMITH,
for Chief Engineer.

NOTICE.

No. 301 C.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and Suite, Special.

As the Special Train containing His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and Suite will travel over the line from Tuticorin to Erode between the 8th and 14th instant, all Clerks in charge are called upon to do their best in carrying on their station work in a creditable manner.

2. Telegraphing the Royal Train. In signalling the Royal Train the prefix will be His Royal Highness, and when this is given the line must be joined and the station called must give attention, and all other messages must give way until the message re Royal Train has been sent.

3. Pointsmen and Porters must be dressed, and greatest care must be used in execution of their duty, and all points to be examined by Station Masters before the train passes over.

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4. All people to be kept off the platforms unless they have special permission.
 5. A Pilot or empty engine will go on half an hour in front of the Royal Train, and nothing will be allowed to cross or foul the main line after it has passed, until the Royal Train has passed.
 6. As soon as the Pilot Engine has passed each station the "line clear" will be given back to the next station in the direction of the Royal Train, and the Clerk in charge of that station will hold white signal for the Royal Train to pass; but in the event of the "line clear" not having been received, the Station Master will hold a danger signal.
- TRICHINOPOLY,
5th December 1875.

(Signed) ALFRED STANTON,
Traffic Manager.

NOTICE.

No. 301 C.

"Royal Train."

The Police will assist in keeping people off the platforms when the Royal Train passes, and no one will be allowed except Company's servants or those holding orders from myself, the Agent or Collector. At watering stations a large body of Police will be in attendance, and you will afford every facility and advise the Inspector in charge the time the Royal Train may be expected.

2. The main line points must all have a wedge put in to keep them from moving as the train passes over.

TRICHINOPOLY,
6th December 1875.

(Signed) ALFRED STANTON,
Traffic Manager.

NOTICE.

No. 305 C.

"Royal Train."

The Pilot or light Engine which goes before Royal Train will be distinguished by one white, one red, and one green flag in front by day, and by night one red at the top and one white on each end of the buffer beam.

2. The Royal Train will be distinguished by night by a white head lamp and one red lamp on each end of buffer beam.

TRICHINOPOLY,
7th December 1875.

(Signed) ALFRED STANTON,
Traffic Manager.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government, in continuation of this office letter, No. 156, dated 27th March 1876.

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

No. 180-A. Telegram from the Government of India, dated 4th April 1876.

No. 181. ORDER THEREON, 10th April 1876, No. 946.

RAILWAY, No. 20.

RECORDED and communicated to the Government of India in continuation of G.O., No. 865 of 3rd April.

2. The services of Mr. Logan on the South Indian Line in the double capacity of Chief Engineer and Agent are fully appreciated by the Government; as are those of Mr. Betts from his resumption of the duties of Agent. Those rendered by Mr. Elwin, the Agent of the Madras Line, are equally appreciated by Government. Their

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thanks are also due and cordially rendered to Major C. J. Smith, R.E., for his thorough inspections of the South Indian Line, and to Lieutenant-Colonel Shaw-Stewart, R.E., for his exertions and management throughout.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 182. DOCKET, No. 946A, dated 10th April 1876.
Copy of the above forwarded to the Government of India in continuation of No. 866, dated 3rd April 1876.
(True Extract.)

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

Exd. T. O'Connor.
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SUBMITTED FOR THE *information* OF GOVERNMENT.
in continuation of this office
letter No. 156 dated 27th March 1876.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras, *3rd April* 1876.

Lt. R.E.,
Consq. Engineer for Railways.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

No. 1447

South Indian
GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 29th March 1876.

From

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

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways
Madras.

SIR,

Yours of 29th of the 27th Inst. I have the
honour to enclose herein copies of Circulars issued by the
Chief Engineer and Traffic Manager on the occasion of the
journey of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

I have the honour to be,

Yours most Obedt Servant

William B. Smith

Agent

2. 1876 Sept.
RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways

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

Dated 3rd
Received 4th April 1876.

L. 2. No. 166
ENCLOSURES.

Submitting
letter from the Agent
S. I. by forwarding copies
of circulars issued on
the occasion of His
Royal Highness's
visit.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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SERVICE MESSAGE DESPATCHED BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.

SERVICE MESSAGE FORM
 FROM *Calcutta* To *Madras*
 FROM *WorRs* To *Madras WorRs*

your telegram of yesterday. Reply
briefly by wire whether service
rendered to Royal Train was
satisfactory on Madras lines
~~urgent~~. Name person who
should be thanked - Urgent

No. 937

Copy forwarded by Post for information.

FORT WILLIAM,

The 4th April

1876.

Abner Callth

By: Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Dear Mr. Brown
 I have just received
 your letter of the 10th
 and am glad to hear
 from you. I am well
 and hope this finds
 you the same. I am
 very truly
 Yours
 J. B. Brown

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James

The Govt. of India

Service Under to
Royal Francis in
Madras Living most
Satisfactory Thanks to
General James Bennett
(Major) Edmund Smith
Melb' Betts (C)
and Leeson Whitely

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Requesting to know whether
service returns to coal train
was satisfactory to the towns
the persons who should be
thanked.

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Proposed Reply

Service rendered to
 Royal Train on
 Madras Lines most
 satisfactory Thanks to
 Messrs Logan Belts
 and White Smith
 India Line Elwin
 Madras Line and
 Colonel Skew Stewart
 and Major Smith
 Consulting Engineers Dept.

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Papers put up with
Chs 2457 & 2529.

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Proposed reply to Chs 2529 (Telegram
from the Govt of India).

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Telegrams from the Govt of India }
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No 865 of 3rd April.

The services of Mr.
Logan on the South
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ciated by the Govern-
ment; as are those of
Mr. Petto from his
assumptions of the
duties

Continuation of No 866
dated 3rd April 1876.

AMW.

Duties of Agent.

I have presented by
W. M. Oliver the Agent
of the Madras line
are equally appre-
ciated by Government.

Their thanks are also
due and cordially
tendered to Major

C. J. Smith R. E. for his
thorough inspection

of the South Indian
line, and to his Colonel

Major Stewart R. E.

for his exertions

and management

thereof.

(No. 20946A of 10 April 76)

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Circulars issued by the
Chief Engineer & Manager S. L.
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the Prince of Wales.

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