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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th April 1877. No. 1,269.*

No. 319. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 5th April 1877, No. 205 :—

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, 2nd April 1877, No. 3,021.

Your letter No. 282 of the 22nd ultimo. You will observe from the attached copy of a report from the Traffic Manager that it is not necessary at present for this Company to refuse the carriage of stone and timber, as he is able to work off all the Bangalore grain traffic which presents itself. It would be well, however, to be armed with authority to take such action when it becomes desirable to do so.

2. I believe the Company cannot legally give preference to the carriage of any particular class of goods; it will be necessary, therefore, for an order to be passed in Council under which such license is granted to us. Will you please obtain this and let it be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

3. I am of opinion that it will be sufficient to restrict the operation of such license to the section of line between Trichinopoly and Erode, and that it should remain operative so long as the call for grain continues in the Mysore District.

4. Food grain, seeds and salt should take precedence of (and, if necessary, entirely exclude) all other descriptions of traffic.

From A. STANTON, Esq., Traffic Manager, to W. S. BETTS, Esq., Agent of the South Indian Railway, dated Trichinopoly, 29th March 1877, No. 10,891—6,252.

"Grain Traffic."

Your letter No. 3,576—1,795 of the 25th instant.

I beg to submit with reference to the copy of letter sent me with yours above, that for the present, I would defer stopping any traffic, as the grain has now a tendency towards the south and merchants will not be induced to send to Bangalore until the ruling prices there are higher than in the Madura District; until that time I think we ought to do the whole of the traffic if possible; at the same time it would be an advantage to be authorized to stop stone and timber, bone and iron, cloth, tobacco, sugar and furniture traffic as soon as it begins to impede the grain West. The Trichinopoly (proper) traffic is so varied and each description is so important to the market that it is difficult to say which would do the least harm to stop. Grain and seeds represent the chief commodities, and to make the stoppage of the Trichinopoly traffic of any appreciable assistance to the despatch of grain to Mysore, I fear grain and seeds would have to be included also, and to do that in a Military station, where large numbers of troops and also their families and dependents have to be fed, would be serious. The stone, timber and bone traffic would not do much harm to the district were it stopped. I have also named iron, cloth, tobacco, liquor, and furniture as commodities that could be dispensed with if necessary to avert starvation, but at the same time it would be the means of ruining the dealers therein and would cause much discontent.

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of their Proceedings under date the 7th March 1877, No. 793.

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

[Signature]

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th April 1877. No. 1,269.

No. 320. ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1877, No. 1,269.

RAILWAY, No. 52.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council
directs that the following Notification
shall be published in the *Fort St. George*
Gazette:—

NOTIFICATION.

Having regard to the scarcity of grain in parts of this Presidency and in the Mysore territory, and to the consequent urgent necessity for the unimpeded transport of grain and other food articles into those districts, His Grace the Governor in Council resolves to authorize the Agent of the South Indian Railway Company, on or at any time after Wednesday the 18th April 1877, by public notice published in the District Gazettes of Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madura and Coimbatore, to give preference to grains and other food articles over all other or any specified kinds of goods traffic tendered for conveyance on or to be carried over the Erode and Trichinopoly or the Trichinopoly and Negapatam sections of the South Indian Railway, provided that all consignments of grain and other food articles are to be carried and forwarded strictly according to their relative priority as noted by the entries in the station registers.

(True Extract.)

Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways
" Superintendent of the Government Gazette Press.

For E. C. Shunker.
Spare Copies

No. 3021.

GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM, 2nd April 1877.

From

THE AGENT,

Great Southern of India Railway,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways
Madras.

SIR,

Your letter of 28th of the 22nd ultimo. You will observe from the attached copy of a report from the Traffic Manager that it is not necessary at present for this Company to refuse the Carriage of Stone and Timber, as he is able to work off all the Bangalore grain traffic which presents itself. It would be well however to be armed with authority to take such action when it becomes desirable to do so.

I believe the Company cannot legally give preference to the Carriage of any particular class of goods, it will be necessary therefore for an order to be passed in Council under which such licence is granted to us. Will you please obtain this, and let it be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

I am of opinion that it will be sufficient to restrict the operation of such licence to the section of line between Trichinopoly and Erode, and that it should remain operative so long as the call for grain continues in the Mysore District.

For grain, stone and salt should take precedence of (and if necessary, entirely exclude) all other descriptions of traffic.

I have the honour to be,
Your most obedt. servant,
W. H. A. B. R. 1877.

No 10891
6252

South Indian Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
Trichinopoly 29th March 1877.

William Stoths Esquire,

Nagapattanam.

My dear Sir,

Grain Traffic.

Your letter of ^{25th}~~25th~~ of the 25th Instant.

I have to submit with reference to the Copy of Letter sent me with yours above, that for the present I would defer stopping any traffic as the Grain has now a tendency towards the South and Merchants will not be induced to send to Bangalore until the ruling prices there are higher than in the Madras District until that time, I think we ought to do the whole of the traffic if possible. at the same time it would be an advantage to be authorised to stop Stone and Timber, Bone and Iron, Cloth, Tobacco Sugar and Furniture traffic as soon as it begins to impair the Grain Trade. The Trichinopoly (proper) traffic is so varied and each description is so important to the District that it is difficult to say which would do the least harm to stop. Grain and seeds represents the Chief Commodities and to make the stoppage of the Trichinopoly traffic of any appreciable assistance to the despatch of Grain to Mysore, I fear Grain and seeds would have to be included also and to do that in a Military Station where large numbers of Troops and also their families and dependants have to be fed would be serious. The Stone, Timber and Bone traffic would not do much harm to the District ^{where} it stopped. I have also named Iron, Cloth, Tobacco, Sugar, Furniture as Commodities that could be dispensed with if necessary to avert starvation but at the same time it would be the means of ruining the dealers therein and would cause much discontent.

Yours faithfully

Alfred Stanton

Traffic Manager

William Stoths

Agent

True Copy

Nagapattanam

Agent's Office

22nd April 1877

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
Railway Branch.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Madras, 5th April 1877.

Letter from Agent Santos
Indian Railway No 3021 dated
Madras April 1877
No. 205.

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government, with
reference to paragraph 3 of their
Proceedings under date the 14th
March 1877, No. 793

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A. C. C. R. C.
Comm. Engr. for Railways

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From
The Com^r Eng^r for Railways

Dated 5th April 1877-

N^o 205

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No 1269

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

13 April 77

Read the following

From
The Com^r Engineer } H.C. N^o 205 of 5th April 77
for Railways

His Grace the Governor
in Council directs that the
following Notification
shall be published in the
Fort Saint George Gazette.

Notification.

Having regard to the
scarcity of grain in parts
of this Presidency and in
the Mysore Territory, and to
the consequent urgent ne-
cessity for large ^{the above} ~~large~~ ^{part} ~~impor-~~
~~tations~~ of grain and other
food articles into these
Districts, His Grace the
Governor in Council re-
solved to authorise the
Agent of the South In-
dian Railway Company,
at any time
on or after Wednesday
the

the 11th April 1877, and by further notice published in the
^{district gazette of}
 until further notice, to
 give preference to grains and
 other food articles over any specified
 all other kinds of goods
 traffic tendered for on to be carried over the ^{Trichinopoly}
^{or the Trichinopoly} ^{Negapatnam}
^{sections of}
 -vengance on the South
 Indian Railway, pro-
 -vided that the consign-
 -ments of grain and other
 food articles are to be
 carried and forwarded
 strictly according to their
 relative priority as noted
 by the entries in the
 station registers.

Such preference
 may be given, at the dis-
 -cretion of the Agent, upon
 one or more of the under-
 -mentioned sections of
 the South Indian Rail-
 -way:-

Between

- Between Trichinopoly and Erode
- Trichinopoly and Negapatnam
- Trichinopoly and Madurai
- Tuticorin and Madurai
- Mayavaram and Tanjore
- Madurai and Gudalur

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C. E. for Rys.
 Supt. Govt. Engg. Dept.
 No 5 des^d 13/4/77

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Govt. of 1877 Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Commr. Eng. & S. W.

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G. O. 13th April 1877, No. 1267

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Nos. 319-320

Train traffic notification
authorizing the Agent of the
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to — over all other or any
specified kinds of goods
traffic, ordered to be
published in the Fort St.
George Gazette

Commr. Eng. & S. W.