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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th April 1877. No. 1,270.*

No. 321. Read the following docket from the Government of India in the Public Works Department, (Establishment—Railway,) dated Fort William, 3rd April 1877, No. 172 E.R. :—

The following is forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, for communication to the Agent, South Indian Railway, with reference to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. Shaw-Stewart's letter No. 1,734, dated 26th December 1876, to the Director of State Railways. The explanation submitted is not quite satisfactory, but the Government of India trusts that there will be no further cause for complaint.

(By order,)

(Signed) J. G. STEEL, Major, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

From Captain W. G. CUMMING, R.E., Assistant Secretary, Public Works Department, British Burmah, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Rangoon, 16th March 1877, No. 976—22 E.R.

With reference to Public Works Department endorsement No. 47 E.R., dated 2nd February 1877, forwarding for explanation papers relating to an appointment being offered in the Rangoon and Irrawaddy Valley State Railway to a Driver of the South Indian Railway without consulting the Head of his Department, I am directed to submit copy of the explanation tendered by Mr. Handcock, the Executive Engineer, who offered the appointment, from which it would appear that he acted without any intention of violating the orders of Government on such matters and has further expressed regret of having done so.

2. The original papers are herewith returned.

From W. F. F. HANDCOCK, Esq., Executive Engineer, 1st Railway Division, to the Engineer in Chief, Rangoon and Irrawaddy Valley State Railway, dated Rangoon, 12th March 1877, No. 750—4 E.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge receipt of your No. 557—40 E., dated 23rd February 1877, forwarding No. 637—22 E.R., British Burmah Public Works Department, dated 20th February with enclosures, relative to a letter sent from this office to Driver Forde.

2. I beg to state that I was not aware of Mr. Forde being permanently employed in the South Indian Railway when I wrote this letter in question. I was trying my utmost to get Drivers for this line at this period, and I asked Mr. Jones, who was formerly a Driver on the South Indian Railway, if he knew any man he could recommend, and he mentioned this man.

3. I wrote this letter in perfect good faith and without any intention on my part to attract men from one railway to another; I am exceedingly sorry that I have apparently violated unintentionally both etiquette and Orders of Government. I do not, however, possess Circular No. 35, or it would have made me more cautious, and I would have made previous inquiries in order to ascertain for certain whether the man was employed or not before taking the step I did.

4. I trust therefore that, under these circumstances, the matter may be overlooked.

5. Original enclosures to your letter now under reply are herewith returned.

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No. 322.

ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1877, No. 1,270.

RAILWAY, No. 53.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

(True Extract.)

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

All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary.

No. 172 E.R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Establishment.

Railway.

Fort William 3rd April 1877

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By Order,

Wm. Stuart Major R.E.
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India

No. 976/22 E.R.

British Burmah

Public Works Departt

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The Secretary to the Government of India

Public Works Department

Rangoon 15th March 1877. —

Sir,

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I have the honor &c

(sd) W. G. Cumming Capt R.L.

Assistant Secretary. —

Rangoon and Irrawaddy Valley State Railway.

From: The Executive Engineer

1st Railway Division

To: The Engineer in Chief

Rangoon and Irrawaddy Valley State Railway

Dated Rangoon 12th March 1877.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your No 537/110. E. dated 2nd February 1877 forwarding No 637/22. E.R. British Burma Public Works Department Dated 20th February, with Enclosures relative to a letter sent from this Office to Driver Ford.

I beg to state that I was not aware of Mr. Ford being permanently employed in the S. I. Railway when I wrote this letter in question. I was trying my utmost to get drivers for this line at this period and I asked Mr. Jones who was formerly a driver on the S. I. Railway if he knew any man he could recommend, and he mentioned this man.

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Sir
Your most obdt. Servt -

J. W. F. Handcock
Executive Engineer

Railway Division

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