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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 503	(Ry)	Press Mis.
Dated 14-2-		1877.

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Read the following papers:—

No. 360. Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 13th January 1877, No. 325.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SILAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 12th January 1877, No. 82.

WITH reference to your letter of this date, I have the honor to enclose you a copy of the report which I have this morning received from the Traffic Manager as to the attempt which was made to throw a train off the rails at the 97th mile, 10th telegraph post, North-west Line, on the 10th instant.

2. The newspaper report which you allude to is much exaggerated, although the nature of the occurrence, in the present state of the country, is sufficient to occasion great anxiety.

3. I have written to the Chief Engineer as to the statement that no line watchmen were to be found, and have also addressed the Inspector-General of Police upon the subject.

4. You will notice that the Assistant Traffic Manager at once reported the occurrence to the Magistrate and to the Superintendent of Police.

From H. E. CHURCH, Esq., Traffic Manager, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 11th January 1877, No. 2,554 C.

Train stopped at 97th mile, 10th telegraph post, North-west Line.

I BEG to forward copy of a telegram from Mr. Hill for your information. The train referred to is a goods train, and runs from Tirupetty to Codoor.

From HILL, Cuddapah, to Traffic Manager, Madras.

Guard French, who worked the 2-55 A.M. Special yesterday, 10th January, reports as follows:—

"Came to stand at 97th mile, 10th telegraph post, for 20 minutes, owing to Driver having informed me that two large stones were placed on the line. Parted train, and I having been left with the rear portion was attacked and stones thrown at me by the villagers, and had it not been for the Driver's sharp return I would have very likely been beaten and a portion of what was in my train robbed. No watchman to be found on the spot to render assistance. I therefore beg you will kindly look into this and deal severely with those to blame."

I am of opinion that this has been a plot to throw train off the line to be plundered. The above report appears serious, and I therefore report matter personally to Collector and the Superintendent of Police.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th February 1877. No. 503.*

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

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

No. 145.

It is understood that the report communicated to Government with the Consulting Engineer's letter of the 13th instant, without a number, of an attempt to throw a train off the rails, has since been discovered to be a fabrication. Lieutenant-Colonel Shaw-Stewart is requested to state whether to his knowledge this is the case.

By order,

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

23rd January 1877.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 360-A. From Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 3rd February 1877, No. 85.

ADVERTING to your memorandum No. 145, dated the 23rd January 1877, I have the honor to enclose, for the information of Government, two letters* which have passed between this office and the Agent of the Madras Railway regarding the occurrence reported to Government with No. 22 of the 13th January.

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 24th January 1877, No. 111.

Your letter No. 82, dated the 12th instant, regarding an attempt to throw a train off the rails was in due course laid before Government, but there is now reason to believe that the report in question was an almost entire fabrication.

I shall be glad to be informed as soon as possible regarding the result of the investigations which have been made into the matter.

From L. S. MOSS, Esq., Deputy Traffic Manager, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 1st February 1877, No. C/ ^{90,278} _{2,678}.

Obstruction to 2-55 A.M. Special.

With reference to your endorsement on Consulting Engineer's letter of the 24th ultimo, No. 111, Mr. Hill informs me that the case is still under inquiry, and the Magistrate will not report until the driver, who is now sick in the General Hospital, Madras, has been examined.

No. 226.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information.

(Signed) J. W. MELLIS,
for Agent and Manager.

2nd February 1877.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th February 1877. No. 503.*

No. 361. ORDER THEREON, 14th February 1877, No. 503.

RAILWAY, No. 29.

RECORDED pending further report.

(True Extract.)

Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways
,, Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

Spare Copies

Recorded and com-
-municated to the
Judicial Department
in which orders will be
issued for a strict in-
-vestigation-

[Handwritten notes and signatures]
C.E. for R.R. Dep.
Jan 13-1-77

P.W.D.
RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

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No. 325

From The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,
To The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 13 } Jan 4 1877
Received

C.E. No. 325
No. 146 of 23-1-77
ENCLOSURES 2

Regarding an
attempt made to
throw the train off the
rails at the 92 mile
N.W. line Masoor
Ry on the 18th Jan 4
1877.

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By Order
Lt Col G. W. W.
Secy.

23rd January
1877- C. E. for R.R. Dep.

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Madras Railway
Traffic Manager's Office
Madras 1st February 1877

The Agent and Manager
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Yours faithfully
H. Louis S. Moss
Dy. Traffic Manager

True copy!

J. H. Ellis

N^o 226 for Agent and Manager

The Consulting Engineer for Railways
for information

2nd February 1877.

P.W.D.
5 FEB 77
No. 1202
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Reply to the accompanying
correspondence letter of the
24th inst. of 1877 having
reference to information
to 2-55 a.m. official.

Dated 2nd 3rd February 1877
Recd. 3. 3rd Feb.
No. 2-55

MADRAS RAILWAY.
From 1877
To
The Agent and Manager.
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

No. 111

Madras 24 January 1877

To

The Agent and Manager
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P.W.D.
1877
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(Sign) J. H. M. Shaw Stewart Lt. Col. R.E.
Cons. Engr. for Railways

True copy V. Manthorpe
Lt. Col. R.E.
Cons. Engr. for Railways

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 3 Feb 1877

No. 86

From
LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways,
To
Lt. Col. J. Mullins R.E.
MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant,
V. Manthorpe Lt. Col. R.E.
Cons. Engr. for Railways

* Lt. Col. J. Mullins No. 111 dated 24th Jan 1877
From " " 226 " " 2^d Feb " "

C. E. No 145 of 23-1-77 on Ch. 325 }
by original }
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P.W.D.
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His

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the
Read the following:—

From
The Chief Engineer
for Railways } (P.E. No — of 13 Jan'y 77)

Recorded and
communicated to the
Judicial Department,
in which orders will
be issued for a strict
investigation.

2- The Government
observe that the present
report was not received
until some days after
the occurrence had been
fully reported in the
Madras news papers -
Intimation should
in

N. 360A

On 7-2-77. R 10-2-77.

Submitting
further correspondence
devised upon the al-
leged attack upon
to look a train on
the machine

Dated
Received
No. 85
1879

To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

in such cases as this
be given to Govern-
ment by telegraph-
His Grace in Council
desires that such a
course may in future
be adopted.

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1-2-77
To Consulting for Ryo;
"Ind. Departt"

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Read the following:—

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways
No 83 dated 3rd February 1877.

FOR ORDERS.

Circulated for information
in continuation of the Con-
sulting Engineer's letter No
325 dated 13th January 1877.

W. H. Col.
Off. Secy to Govt.
1-2-77

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Gobt. of 1877 Madras.

FOR ORDERS.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To *The Comr Eng for N.W.*

Dated

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 11th Feb^{ry} 1877, No. 503

Nos. 360-61.

Madras Railway.

Report of an attempt
made to throw ^a train
off the rails ^{on} the N.W.
Line, recorded pending
further report.

Conf in ref.

No 503 7/14 Feb/77
Recorded pending
further report.

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C. E. for Rys. ✓
J. A. Sept. ✓
Sept-1-3-77

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