

Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 801 *Ry.*

DATED 9<sup>th</sup> June

[Despatch Abstract.]

*Trees on the Madras Railway lines.—Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways submitting letters from the agent & manager, proposing to cut down the—, recorded.*

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with a receipt  
and the receipt  
I enclose with  
- enclosed copy



(No. 1) 138  
No. 540

5,000-14-11-85.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 15<sup>th</sup> May 1890

From

The Agent and Manager.

M.R.C.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

Your No. 419 dated 13<sup>th</sup> May inst.

I have the honour to inform you that your surmise as to the ownership of the trees alluded to in your letter above quoted is correct. They are the property of the Railway Company, and it is proposed to fell the whole of them for use as Loco-motive fuel. It is also in contemplation to plant young trees

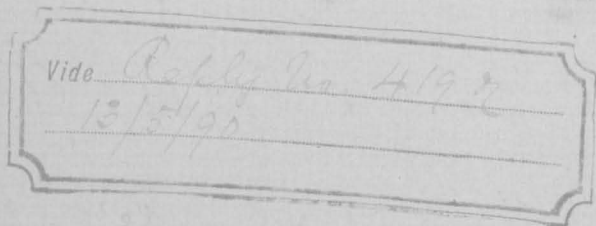
From  
MADRAS RAILWAY.  
The Agent and Manager.

To  
The Consulting Engineer  
for Railways.

Dated 8<sup>th</sup> May 1890

No. 513

Regarding the  
status of a shrunken  
part of the line between  
Kannamuram &  
Kadgadi Station -



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trees as fast as the old ones  
are felled so as to maintain  
the plantation which may  
eventually become a valuable  
property to the Company.

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I have the honor to be  
Sir  
Your most obedient Servant

W. H. Smith  
Ag Agent and Manager

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10<sup>th</sup> May 90

W. H. Smith

W. H.

Over a field dated 13 May 1890

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inform you that your business  
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From

MADRAS RAILWAY.

The Agent and Manager.

To  
The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated

Recd.

15<sup>th</sup> May 1890  
16.5.90  
No. 540

As to the cause -  
Ship & discharge of  
trees between the same -  
Dammam & Adipati

(No. 1)  
No. 151  
587

5,000-14-11-85.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 30<sup>th</sup> May 1890

From

To

Sir,

The Agent and Manager.

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

I have the honour  
to forward for your information  
the following report by the driver  
of the mail train Bangalore to  
Madras of the 27<sup>th</sup> instant.

I beg to state that on the  
said date while working the above  
train between Amboor and  
Vaniyambadi stations the branches  
and leaves of a tree on the left  
side of the line grazed against  
the left side stanchions of my  
engine, but did no damage. So

I sent information of the same to the P.W. Inspector to have the tree removed. I observed a dark object on the line some distance to the  $\frac{90}{8}$  mile and warned my two firemen (who were firing at the time) to be cautious. Just as the firemen and I got on to the centre of the engine, and were in action of shutting off the Regulator, reversing lever, and putting on brakes, the engine came in contact with a large tree fallen on the line and the train came to a stop within three or four telegraph posts distance; I next proceeded to ascertain the damages, which are as follows: viz

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Bow Catcher (3' bar)              | bent |
| Smoke box handle                  | bent |
| Handle rail in front of smoke box | bent |

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I have the honour to forward for your information the following report by the driver of the Great Western Railway of the accident which occurred on the 11th inst. at 11.11.11. The train was working the down line between Maidenhead and Windsor at 11.11.11. The driver of the train, Mr. J. H. ... reported that the engine came in contact with a large tree fallen on the line and the train came to a stop within three or four telegraph posts distance. I next proceeded to ascertain the damages, which are as follows: viz

Head Lamp with bracket - smashed  
 Special Lamp . . . . . do  
 L. side safety valve spring } - broken  
 balance screw.  
 1<sup>st</sup> Brake Van glass shutter - smashed  
 3 carriages sun shades - damaged.

Passengers all safe,  
 no damage to P.W. There was  
 a detention of 20 minutes caused  
 owing to the above, I arrived at  
 Madras 10 minutes late and  
 pulled up the other 10 minutes.  
 I must here note that Mr  
 Reynolds the Prosecuting Inspector  
 gave great assistance."

With a view to prevent  
 the probability of a repetition of  
 a similar accident the Chief Engineer  
 has been asked to cause an  
 examination to be made through-  
 out the line and to at once  
 stop

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

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Dated

Recd.

No.

lop or fell any trees which may  
be considered too close for safety.

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

*W. B. ...*

Agent & Manager

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

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Dated

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REGISTER  
No. 590.  
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No. 1/90

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To  
From

MADRAS RAILWAY.  
The Agent and Manager.  
The Consulting Engineer  
for Railways.

Dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 1890  
Recd. 31<sup>st</sup> May  
No. 587

Report by an accident  
to the mail train on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> instant

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(No. II.)  
No. D151  
591

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 31<sup>st</sup> May 1890.

From

The Ag. Agent and Manager, M.R. Coy.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

Your letter No. 470 dated 30<sup>th</sup> May/90

From the concluding para. of this office letter N.  $\frac{D151}{587}$  of 30<sup>th</sup> instant which seems to have crossed your letter quoted above, it will be seen that your suggestion for the prevention of future accidents of a similar nature to the one which occurred at  $\frac{90}{8}$  has already been anticipated.

I have the honour to be  
Sir

Your most obedt. Servant.

*[Signature]*  
Ag. Agent and Manager.

*[Signature]*

REGISTER  
No. 527  
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No.

Form No. 1.

OFFICE OF CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Madras, 5<sup>th</sup> June 1890.

Letter from the Agent and Manager, Madras  
Railway, No.  $\frac{138}{513}$ , dated 8<sup>th</sup> May 1890.

— Do — No.  $\frac{138}{540}$ , " 15<sup>th</sup> — Do —  
— Do — No.  $\frac{151}{587}$ , " 30<sup>th</sup> — Do —  
— Do — No.  $\frac{2151}{591}$ , " 31<sup>st</sup> — Do —

No. 388.

Government.

SUBMITTED.

for the information of  
Government.

2. The Agent and Manager  
Madras Railway, has been  
called upon to make a  
careful inspection of the  
whole system with a  
view to the removal of  
all trees which by  
reason of their proximity  
to the line would be a  
source of danger in the  
event of their being blown  
across it.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 1890.  
Recd. 26<sup>th</sup> 99

No. 591.

*As to suggestion  
for the preservation  
of future accidents*

*Rms  
5/6*

3. On receipt of this report  
the Revenue and Forest  
Departments will be  
addressed with regard  
to such trees as may  
come under their juris-  
diction.

Sidney Smith  
Major,

Offg: Comd: Engineer.

W.S.

Form No. 3.  
B. 801 R 9 June 190.

1st June  
Recorded.

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for R

P.W.C. No. 5263.

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER  
FOR RAILWAYS,  
MADRAS,

No. 388

Dated

Received

5th } June 1890

No. of ENCLOSURES. four.

Subject.

Submitting for the information  
of Govt. letter from the Chief and Manager,  
M.D. Dy. reporting fall of trees across the railway.

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801 R 9 June 190.

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