

Public Works (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 1030. R

DATED 24th Nov. 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

East India Company's Coinage

Proc. of the Financial Dept. embodying
letter from the Accountant General, Madras,
stating that rupees coined & issued under the
authority of the Govt. of India, of whatever coinage
the rupee, will be received by all Govt. treasuries
at their full nominal value provided they
have not been fraudulently reduced in weight.
Communicated to the Agent, Madras Dy.

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No. 10192

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 25th September 1897.

From

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The Ag: Agent and Manager.

Madras Railway.

To

Consulting Engineer

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Sir,

Madras.

I have the honour to inform you that on the 13th instant when the Locomotive Workmen at Perambur were being paid their wages for the month of August, there was some excitement and discontent shown, because amongst the rupees disbursed there were several of the East India Company's Coinage dated 1837 and 1840. The reason for showing discontent at receiving these rupees would appear to be that the bazaarmen refuse to take them except at a discount. What has given rise to this, I do not know, but from enquiries made I find that the whole of the bazaarmen at Perambur refuse to receive them, and also some of the Shopkeepers in the Madras bazaars, except at a discount of as much as 2 annas.

To prevent any loss to the workmen and to allay the feeling of discontent which has arisen, I beg to request that the Account General may be asked to circulate a notice to the effect that the rupees referred to will be freely accepted by him by the Bank of Madras and all Government treasuries at their full value of 16 annas.

We receive a large number of these rupees daily from Stations and

they are paid away in the ordinary course to employes and Contractors, and it is necessary therefore that the objection now offered to the receipt of them should be removed. A notice such as that suggested would probably effect this.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant,

Harry Clouston

Ag: Agent and Manager.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

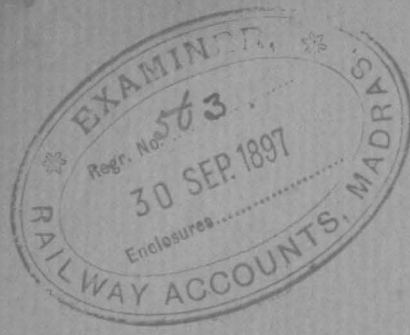
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Madras, 29th September 1897.



No. 3095.

OFFICE NOTE.

Letter from the Agent, *Manager Madras Railway*, No. *10192* *923*, dated *23rd September* 1897, forwarded to the Examiner of Railway Accounts, *for favor of remarks.*

[Signature]
for E. R.

EXAMINER'S REPLY.

Ruppes minted in 37 & 40 are legal tender, provided they have not lost more than 2 per cent in weight (see Account Book Art 543); they are also received at full value as the Presiding Officer at their full nominal value, even when they have lost more than that weight by wear and tear (see Art 543).

The Agent can always ensure that payment is not made in under weight rupees, by making payments from his drawer only from the Treasury, & ensuring the Station receipts paid into the Treasury would do away with any real grievance, and the rest appears to be a mere matter of popular ignorance & prejudice.

It is doubtful whether under the circumstances the Accountant

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager

To

The Consulting Engineer

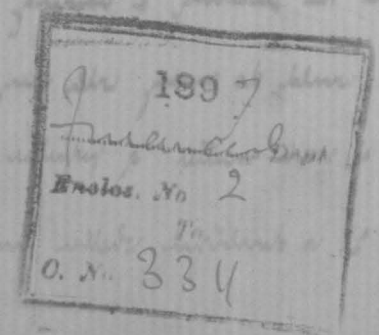
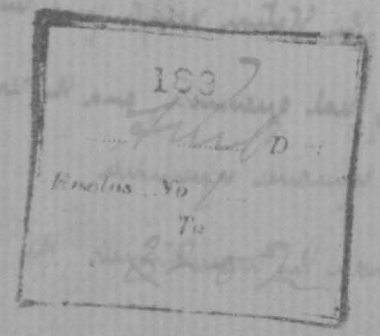
for Railways.

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General will consider the case of a public notice
allied for, but the Agent's letter might be transferred to the
Financial Dept for information & consideration

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

P. W. Dept., Railway Branch,

Dated Ootacamund, 11th October 1897

No. 1646 D

MEMORANDUM.

Letter from the Agent &
Manager, Madras Ry. No.
10192 dated 23. 9. 97
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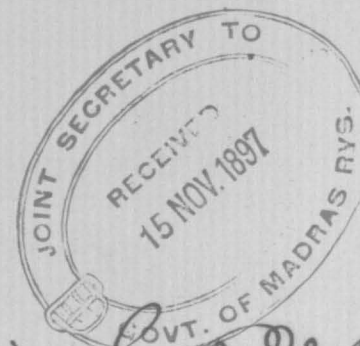
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Public Works & Railway Branch
Ecclesiastical (1897) Department.

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From

Finance Dept

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No. 929

Order

Communicated to the
Agent and Manager, Madras
Railway, for information
with reference to his letter
No 10192 of 23.9.97.
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Dated 13th November 1897.
Received
Registered
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SUBJECT.

Communicating letter from the
Actg General, stating that rupees
coined and issued under the authority
of the Govt of India of whatever
denomination they may be, will
be received by all Govt
treasuries at their full
nominal value provided
they have not been fraudulently
reduced in weight.

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The Agent & Manager in the
a S.D. Ry
a Examiners of Ry Accts
a Comptroller & Ry

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Financial Department.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

Memorandum from the Public Works Department (Railway Branch), No. 1646 D, dated 11th October 1897.

From the Accountant-General, No. 3269, dated 20th October 1897:—

In reply to your endorsement No. 2122, dated the 13th of October 1897, referring for my remarks the accompanying letter from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway requesting the issue of a circular regarding the receipt of Rupees coined during the time of the East India Company, I have the honour to state that Rupees coined and issued under the authority of the Government of India of whatever coinage are and will be received by all Government treasuries at their full nominal value, provided they have not been fraudulently reduced in weight or have been called in by proclamation. Owing to the large number of such fraudulently reduced coin in remittances received from Treasuries, I have lately had to call the attention of all officers concerned, Vide my circular enclosed, to the necessity for the exercise of greater care in the receipt of coin.

This more careful testing of coin before receipt has probably led to the action of the bazaar, alluded to in the Agent's letter.

Order

ORDER:-No. 929 dated 13th November 1897:

The Accountant-General's letter, No. 3269, dated 20th October 1897, will be communicated to the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, with reference to its endorsement, No. 1646 dated 11th October 1897.

(True Extract)

Mr. Connelman.

for Chief Secretary.

To

The Public Works Department (Railway Branch) with enclos. returned.

..., Accountant-General.

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(R.) Form No. 3.

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No. 1030. P dated 24/11/97

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

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Read the following

Letter from the
Agent & Manager, M.R. } H.S. No 10192 of 23rd Sept 97
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P. W. D. Memo. - 16462 of 11 Oct 97

Progs. of the Madras
Govt. Financial Dept. } - 919 of 13 Nov 97

Communicated
to the Agent & Manager, Madras
Railway for information.

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To

The Agent & Manager, M.R. ✓

- Agent S. J. R. ✓

- Ex. S. R. ✓

- Comptroller, M.R. ✓

