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[Despatch Abstract.]

Stores balances. Letter to the Govt of India explaining the necessity for the increase in the — of the S. I. Railway during 1895 and stating that every effort has been made to effect a reduction of the Stores balance and the disposal of surplus stores.

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From

The Govt. of India

No. 375 R.S.

Dated 25. 8. 96.

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SUBJECT.

Increase of store
balances S. I. Ry:

Requesting that the
attention of the Ry:
authorities may be
drawn to the _____
during the year ended
31st Dec₂ 1895.

Despatched on 18/9/96

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should be addressed
to the Secretary.*

No. 375 R.S.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway Stores.

To

The Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department, Railway Branch.

Simla, the 25th August 1896.

Sir,

From the statement of stores transaction on the South Indian railway during the year ended 31st December 1895 (forwarded by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras under cover of his No. 1750, dated 8th June 1896 to the Director General of Railways) it is understood that the stores balances of the line were increased during the year 1895 by Rs. 2,41,119 due mainly to the increase of the stock of permanent way and timber and also in the amount under adjustment. I am accordingly directed to request that, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the attention of the authorities of the line may be drawn to the matter and an explanation called for from them as to the necessity for the increase. The balance under the head "Permanent way" amounted on 31st December 1895 to Rs. 9,16,290 and I am to request that the necessity for keeping such a large balance under this head may be explained.

2. From the statement on page 63 of the Director General of Railways' Administration Report part I for 1895-96 it will be seen that the surplus stores on the South Indian railway amounted on 31st December 1895 to Rs.2,76,220 in

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this connection I am to enquire what is being done by the
Railway Administration to reduce this balance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. A. Anderson

Offg. Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying :-

Nil.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH. No. *15*

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Calcutta.

Madras, the 7th January 1897.

SIR,

With reference to your letter N^o 375 R S dated 25th August 1896, I am directed to state that the Agent's report that the large stores balance under Permanent way is a necessary consequence of the relaying of the main line with 50th rail and the balance of Permanent way materials at the end of 1895 consisted principally of the following items:-

- (a) 50th rails for Extraordinary renewals — Rs 514,000
- (b) Second hand 40th rails removed from the line 250,000
- (c)

(C) Third class 40th rails 1.69000
 (d) Steel sleepers transferred
 to stores from V.D. construction 82,000
~~the~~ (2) ~~the~~ the whole of item (a)
 was utilized by 31st March 1896.
 The rails shown in item (b)
 are used for renewals on
 branch lines ~~and it is~~
~~probable that the quantity~~
^{not} will be reduced appreci-
 ably until the 50th renewals
 are completed. ~~The~~ rails in
 item (c) are being sold and
 used wherever possible and
 the steel sleepers, item (d),
 are utilized for renewals on
 the branch lines.

~~the~~ (3) ~~the~~ The
 surplus carried under
 Timber at the end of 1895,
 Rs 2,45,565 as compared with
 the issue under this head
 Rs 3,54,215 amounts to only
 two-thirds of the total issues
 and therefore it is not con-
 sidered excessive, timber
 being required to be kept
 in stock to season ~~and~~
~~to bring to the notice of the Govt. of India that~~
~~the balance at the~~
~~end of August 1896 has been~~
~~reduced to Rs 1,52,057~~

2. The Agent further
 reports that with reference
 to

on the S. I. Ry

the balance at the end of Aug 1896 was reduced to Rs 25,20,74

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(4) With reference to
 to para 2 of your letter under
 the subject further reports that
 reply, I am the amount of
 Rs 27,62,20 shown in the
 statement given on page 63
 of the A.G. report on Railway
 for 1895-96 as the value of
 the surplus stores is not in-
 clusion of old rails, ^{that} the
 disposal of surplus stores is
 effected by the circulation
 of half yearly lists of stores
 available for sale, by
 the auction of some where
 possible, and by advertisement
 for tenders for the scrap material
~~He also states that~~ The Agent further reports that
 3. Every effort has been
 made to effect a reduction
 of the stores held away and the
 statement of stores & trans-
 actions for the year ended
 31st Dec/95 shows a decrease
 on 14 heads out of 19. The
 disposal of surplus stores is effected
 by the circulation of half yearly lists
 of stores available for sale, & the
 auction of some where possible and by
 advertisement for tenders for the purchase
 of scrap material

In this connection
 I am to bring to the notice of
 the Govt. of India that the store
 balance at the end of Aug
 1896 was reduced to Rs 25,20,74

Documents accompanying:-
 - Nil -

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