

Public Works (1898) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 664-65-66. Ry

[Despatch Abstract.]

Ordered that the vote by the Chief Auditor
Madras Ry, on the — for the half-year ended
the 31st Decr 1897, be forwarded to the Govt of India
and the Secretary of State.

FORWARDING copy of Proceedings embodying the note by the Chief Auditor, Madras Railway, on the Capital and Revenue Accounts, Kolar Gold Fields Railway, for the half-year ended the 31st December 1897.

No. 19
664 Ry., 30th April 1898.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—to

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

In continuation of our despatch No. $\frac{5}{547}$ Ry., dated 8th April 1898, we have the honour to forward herewith copy of our Proceedings, No. 664 Ry., dated 30th April 1898, embodying a note by the Chief Auditor, Madras Railway, on the Capital and Revenue Accounts of the Kolar Gold Fields Railway for the half-year ended the 31st December 1897.

We have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) A. E. HAVELOCK.
(") H. W. BLISS.
(") J. GROSE.

OOTACAMUND,
30th April 1898.

Exd. C. M. Thumbusawmy.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following paper:—

Note by the Chief Auditor, Madras Railway, on the Capital and Revenue Accounts of the Kolar Gold Fields Railway for the half-year ended the 31st December 1897.

CAPITAL.

Statements Nos. V, VI and XVIII.—The capital expenditure during the half year amounted to Rs. 11,243-0-3. The total capital outlay, including suspense, from the commencement of operations to the end of the half year under review, is Rs. 7,91,073-12-1 and the expenditure, excluding suspense, Rs. 7,39,451-5-1, which gives an average of Rs. 73,945 per mile open.

REVENUE.

General Results.

The following table shows the General results of working:—

	Half-year ending Dec- ember 1896.	Half-year ending Dec- ember 1897.	Difference.	
Mean mileage worked	MILES. 10	MILES. 10	MILES.	PER CENT.
Train mileage	17,090	19,324	+ 2,234	+ 13.07
Average number of trains over the whole line daily in both directions	No. 9.29	No. 10.50	+ 1.21	..
Gross earnings	RS. 85,104	RS. 1,10,000	+ 24,896	+ 29.25
Working expenses	51,173	63,613	+ 12,440	+ 24.31
Net earnings	33,931	46,387	+ 12,456	+ 36.71
Percentage of working expenses to gross earnings	60.13	57.83	- 2.30	..
Percentage of net earnings to capital outlay including suspense	4.55	5.86	+ 1.31	..

The gross earnings per mean mile worked per week averaged Rs. 423 against Rs. 327 and were realized at a cost of 57.83 per cent. against 60.13 per cent. in the corresponding half of the previous year.

The percentage of working expenses to Gross earnings for the year 1897 was 56.77 against 59.25 for 1896.

The net earnings amounted to Rs. 46,386-13-2, which gives a return at the rate of 11.73 per cent. per annum on the capital outlay, including suspense.

GROSS EARNINGS.

The following table shows the gross earnings for the two half years :—

						Difference.	
						Amount.	Per cent.
			Half-year ending Dec- ember 1896.	Half-year ending Dec- ember 1897.			
Coaching ..	..	..	Rs.	Rs.			
Goods ..	..	..	24,221	27,166	+	2,945	+ 12-16
Electric Telegraph ..	..	..	60,627	82,619	+	21,992	+ 36-27
Steam-boat ..	..	..	106	89	-	17	- 16-04
Sundries ..	..	..	150	126	-	24	- 16-00
Total ..			85,104	1,10,000	+	24,896	+ 29-25

Abstract H—Coaching Traffic.—The number of passengers of the various classes carried including Troops and Police and Season tickets, and the earnings therefrom are as follows :—

	First class.		Second class.		Third class.		Total.	
	Number.	Earnings.	Number.	Earnings.	Number.	Earnings.	Number.	Earnings.
Second half of 1896 ..	1,506½	Rs. 620	6,180	Rs. 1,199	255,228½	Rs. 21,237	302,915	Rs. 23,056
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The receipts from passengers' luggage amount to Rs. 844.

The earnings under horse, carriage and dog traffic are Rs. 159.

Parcels for the public show a receipt of Rs. 233.

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Military Stores ..	..	18,797	17,699	37,942	33,737
Railway materials for construction ..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal (including Locomotive Revenue) ..	..	49,639	42,329	57,147	48,658
Revenue Stores (excluding Locomotive Coal) ..	..	3,898	388	65	15
Other Goods traffic ..	..	..	211	..	208
Less outstandings irrecoverable or not recovered ..	..	72,334	60,627	94,254	82,618
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The following table shows some of the principal commodities carried during the two half years :—

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Iron ..	..	49,639	42,329	57,147	48,658
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Timber ..	..	1,899	1,599	5,674	4,988
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WORKING EXPENSES.

The Kolar Gold Fields Railway is worked by the Madras Railway Company, and the charge to the Mysore Darbar therefor is ascertained in the manner set forth in the footnote to Statement No. 8 of the printed accounts.

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[Here enter No. 665 Ry., dated 30th April 1898.]

(True Extract.)

FRANCIS J. E. SPRING,
Joint Secretary.

To the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.
" Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.

ENDORSEMENT—No. 665 Ry., dated 30th April 1898.

Forwarded.

(By order.)

FRANCIS J. E. SPRING,
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RAILWAY.

Government {1898} of Madras.

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G.O., Nos. 664, 665 Ry., 30th April 1898.

APRIL.

Capital and Revenue Accounts, Kolar Gold Fields Railway.

Forwarding copy of Proceedings embodying the note by the Chief Auditor, Madras Railway, on the — for the half-year ended the 31st December 1897.

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MADRAS RAILWAY COMPANY,
CHIEF AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
MADRAS, 19th March 1898.

To THE AGENT AND MANAGER,
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Statistics.

The usual statements accompany this report for the information of the Durbar.

Yours faithfully,

F. DUNSTERVILLE

Chief Auditor.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

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The Secy to the Govt. of India

In continuation of our despatch No. 5347 of 8th April 1898, we have the honour to forward herewith



copy of ^{our} Rep of Govt No 664 R^u of
30th April 1898 enclosing a note by
Chief Auditor General
the ~~Examiner~~ of Railway Accounts
located on the Capital and Revenue
Accounts of the Kolar Gold Fields
Accounting for the half year ended
the 31st Decr 1897.

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H. S. No 666 R^u of 30th April 1898

To

The Resident in Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to forward
herewith 5 copies of ^{the} Report on the
K. G. F. Ry Accounts for the half
year ended the 31st Decr 1897 to
gather exact statistics for trans-
mission to the Bangalore Govt.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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FOR SIGNATURE

OF

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR A.M.

AND

MEMBERS OF GOVERNMENT,

(With Original).

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