

Public Works (1898) Department.

Railway Branch.

G.O., No. 961 Rg.

DATED 27th July '98.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Goods Classification, S. L. Rg.

Govt of India letter, forwarding certain remarks with reference to the statement showing the alterations made during 1897, in the standard ———, Comms to the Agent for information & guidance.

Railway
CURRENT No. 896

The East of India

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Communicated to the
Agent S. P. R. for information
and record.

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SUBJECT.

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South Indian Ry.

Communicating certain
remarks with reference to
the statement showing
the alterations made
during 1897 in the —.

2 The Agent L. R. ✓
" Examine R² - 26 ✓
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RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

*All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.*

Sir,

which

which existed prior to the issue of the Circular have been adopted for carriage at owner's risk, the charge for carriage at railway risk being made at the next higher class; and that where alternative railway risk and owner's risk classifications were already quoted they have been allowed to stand. I am to suggest that the same procedure might conveniently be adopted on the South Indian railway, subject to the remarks contained in paragraphs 3 of the Government of India letters Nos. 132 R.T., dated the 12th February 1897, and 397 R.T., dated the 11th May 1897, as to the elimination from the standard class list of the classification at owner's risk.

I am to add that in the case of the item "chemicals, explosive, viz., Fulminate of silver, mercury and of gold and silver" and the item

"Combus-
tibles",
the con-

ditions as to carriage need not appear in the standard class list and should be shown in the next list of changes as requiring to be expunged, though they should appear in the goods tariff for the guidance of the staff and the information of the public.

- (ii) The item "coke" should be classified as "special", instead of "at the rates prescribed in the Government of India Circular No. 8 Railway, dated the 4th May 1895" as quoted in the list of changes under notice, the rates prescribed in that Circular being within the maximum and

minimum

minimum applicable to the special class.

- (iii) For the item "Baskets, common, country.....2" the following have been substituted in the return under notice :-

"Baskets, common, country, including planter's baskets, nested..... 2

Baskets, common, country, including planter's baskets, not nested.... 5"

As the difference in the two new items lies not in the nature of the articles but only in their packing, and the maximum and minimum of the 2nd class are within those applicable to the 5th class, I am to say that the single entry of "Baskets, common, country, including planter's baskets 5" is sufficient for the purposes of the standard class list, though there is no objection to the two new entries in question appearing in the goods tariff.

The necessary alteration should be shown in the next list of changes.

- (iv) With regard to the item "Incandescent oil" mentioned in the list of changes under notice, I am to point out that a corresponding entry does not appear in the Company's standard class list, nor in the list of changes made therein during 1896, which were received with your letter No. 2 ~~Railway~~, dated the 4th January 1897; it is therefore not clear which of the varieties of incandescent oils entered at page 83 of the standard class list is referred to. This should be explained in the next list of changes.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

W. J. McClellan Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

S. S. S.

W. J. Westcott