

Public Works (1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 441 Rev.

DATED 18th April 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Delay by Mr Dewley, Dy. Com. Secy for Revs.
Managers, of the inspection train

Recording letter from the Govt of India forwarding
for necessary action copy of a letter from the
Manager, S.C.R., to the Director of Railway
Construction regarding the ——— arranged
for him on 26/1/99 on the occasion of the
recent inspection of the East Coast Ry.

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Dated 5th April, 1899

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Delay by Mr Bewley, Dy
long - long - Madras, at
the Inspection train which
was arranged for him on
the 26th January '99

Forwarding for
necessary action copy of
letter from the Manager
to the Director of
Ry. Construction, re: the —
on the occasion of his recent
inspection of the body

Arrive Cuttack twenty-fifth. Kindly supply inspection Saloon and one truck at Barang terminus for my use.

A.R.K.

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Copy of telegram No.273 W dated 23rd January 1899, from the
Traffic Superintendent East Coast Railway, Waltair, to A
Bewley Esquire, Deputy Consulting Engineer C/o A.Becket Esqr.
Cuttack.

Inspection special arranged to leave Barang on 26th
January at 6 hours. Will meet you there.

A.R.K.

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Copy of letter No.152 T.dated 4th February 1899, from the Traffic Superintendent, East Coast Railway, to the Manager, East Coast Railway.

Deputy Consulting Engineer's Inspection.

In continuation of my No. 97 T. of 24th January 1899
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I have the honour to bring to your notice that the Inspection train billed for the 26th to leave at 6.0. did not start till 5 P.M. due to the following untoward circumstances

Mr. Bewley, the Deputy Consulting Engineer arrived at Cuttack, I understand, on the afternoon of the 24th. Intimation of the special was sent to him under the accompanying copy of telegram to Cuttack to C/O Mr. Becket the B.N. Railway Superintending Engineer, being under the impression he would call there for advices &c. He did not call there, but on the 25th he wrote to the Station Master Barang, asking if there was a carriage coming up for him, and the Station Master replied it was on the train of that date. Again on the night of the 25th, he wrote to the Station Master Barang, to send up his office box and Mr. Baxter wrote and informed him that the Inspection train would leave next morning at 6 O'clock. Mr. Baxter had better be referred to on this correspondence. We waited through the day for Mr. Bewley, Engine attached, and as I said he did not arrive till 5 P.M.

No.1056 dated 7th February 1899.

Copy forwarded to the Engineer-in-Chief, East Coast Railway, for favour of report.

(Sd) W.C. Smyth, Lt., R.E.

for Manager,

K.P.G. *Ad*

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Copy of letter No.670 dated 13th February 1899, from
the Engineer-in-Chief, East Coast Railway, to the Manager,
East Coast Railway.

Deputy Consulting Engineer's Inspection.

With reference to your endorsement No.1056 dated 7th
instant, I have the honour to report that in company with
the Traffic Superintendent, I arrived at Barang by 5 up of
the 25th January in order to meet the Deputy Consulting
Engineer and accompany him on the half-yearly inspection
of the line which was, according to programme, to commence
from Barang leaving that station by special at 6 hours on
the 26th January.

2. A little before midnight of the 25th January, the
station master came and informed me that he had received a
note from Mr. Bewley requesting him to send his peon and
box of papers.

3. Thinking that Mr. Bewley had probably received no
intimation of the running of the Inspection special,
I wrote him a note in which I stated that the Traffic
Superintendent and myself were waiting for him with a
special Train and that according to programme, the special
was timed to leave at 6 hours on the 26th January. This
note was delivered by a special messenger on the morning
of the 26th January but Mr. Bewley did not arrive at
Barang till 5 P.M.

4. The Inspection special left a few minutes after
Mr. Bewley's arrival.

K.P.G. *ADP*

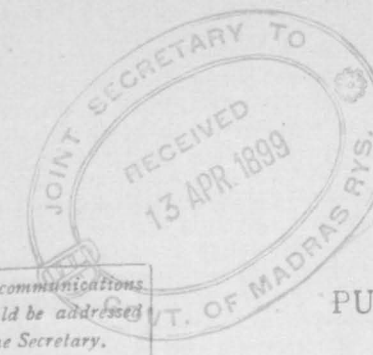
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Copy of a letter No.1263, dated 14th February 1899, from the Manager, East Coast Railway, to the Director of Railway Traffic

In forwarding herewith copies of the marginally noted

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| ----- | correspondence, |
| 1.Telegram of the 21st January 1899 from Mr.Bewley. | : I have the honour |
| | : to report, for |
| 2.Letter No:152 T of 4th February 1899 from Traffic Supdt.with enclosure. | : your information |
| | : and such action |
| 3.Letter No.1056 of 7th February 1899 from Manager to Engineer-in-Chief, | : as you deem fit, |
| | : that the Inspection |
| 4.Letter No.670 of 13th February 1899 from Engineer-in-Chief. | : train, which was |
| | : arranged for Mr. |

Bewley, the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, during his late inspection of the line and timed to leave Barang at 6 hours on the 26th January 1899, did not leave that place till after 5 P.M. that day, owing to Mr.Bewley's late arrival from Cuttack and to state that I do not think Mr.Bewley should have kept the train waiting so long and upset the programme arranged for him, I may add that it would have been reasonable to expect that he should have communicated with the Station Master, Barang, or the Superintending Engineer, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Cuttack, on the subject of the inspection.

A.R.K.



No. 565 R.C.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION

To

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

Simla, the 5th April 1899

Sir,

I am directed to forward, for such action as may be considered necessary, the accompanying copy of a letter No. 1263, dated the 14th February 1899, and its enclosures, from the Manager, East Coast Railway, to the address of the Director of Railway Construction, regarding the delay by Mr. Bewley, Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways Madras, of the inspection train which was arranged for him on the 26th January 1899 on the occasion of his recent inspection of the East Coast Railway.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

F. H. Peck

Secretary

Documents accompanying :-

Copy of letter No. 1263 dated 14th February 1899,
and enclosures, from the Manager, East Coast Railway.

A.P.K.

*I consider no action to
be necessary.*

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To.

The Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

Railway Branch.

Madras, 14th April 1899.

Sir,

With reference to the complaint made by the Manager East Coast Railway, regarding the delay of the Inspection train on the 26th January 1899, I have the honour to state that in my opinion the delay was solely due to the extraordinary arrangements made by the Manager, East Coast Railway, for communicating with me, and to the very insufficient information furnished me in reply to my enquiries by the Station Master, Barang.

I arrived at Cuttack Dak-bungalow after 5 p.m. on the 24th. On the 25th, while engaged in attempting to procure a servant, I enquired of the Station Master, Barang, by means of a letter sent by foot-messenger, whether an Inspection carriage had arrived for me; and was informed by him that one had not arrived. I then enquired next morning as to the arrangements, the carriage of notes backwards and forwards taking several hours, and eventually received (on the morning of the 26th) a note from the Manager, East Coast Railway,

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stating that there was a Special Inspection Train provided,
and that he was awaiting my arrival. On receipt of this,
I at once made my preparations for moving, and despatching
my heavy luggage, (a truck load) and procuring a palanquin, left
Cuttack in the afternoon, as I was unable to cross the sandy
bed of the river during the midday heat of Cuttack.

The Manager's assumption that I should visit the
Engineer of another Railway, a complete stranger to me, of
whose existence I was in complete ignorance, in order to learn
the arrangements of the Manager, East Coast Railway, for the
Inspection, seems to me a most extraordinary and arbitrary one.
He should have known that I had no other alternative than to
put up, like other strangers, at the Cuttack Lak-bungalow; and
that it was there that he should have sent any communication he
had to make to me, rather than depositing it with a stranger on
the assumption that it was "reasonable" that I should have
sufficient clairvoyance to discover his "cache".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant.

A. B. B. B.

By: Consulting Engineer.