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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 24th May 1862.

No. 461. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Railway Department, dated 19th May 1862, No. 261 :—

Referring for consideration observations by Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, together with certain correspondence on the subject of the customs duties levied on certain articles imported for the use of the Engineer and other Departments of the Great Southern of India Railway Company. (Vide Financial Railway Proceedings, 19th May 1862, Nos. 71, 72.)

No. 462. ORDER THEREON, 24th May 1862, No. 1,158.

Referred to the Board of Revenue for early report.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

FINANCIAL RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Observations by Captain P. O'CONNELL, Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 10th May 1862, No. 28, on letters from the Agent and Traffic Manager of the Great Southern of India Railway Company, Nos. 376 and 382, dated 29th April 1862, and 6th May 1862.

In the first of the above two letters, the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway gives a brief sketch of a correspondence on the subject of the customs duties levied on certain articles imported for the use of the Engineer and other Departments of that Railway.

2. His predecessor Mr. Maclagan applied for the refund on this account of Rupees 35,087-5-4. The Collector of Sea Customs granted a refund of only Rupees 224-0-8. Mr. Betts has looked into the subject more carefully and from the list submitted with his second letter, it will be seen that he considers that Rupees 62,471-9-10 should have been refunded.

3. I would recommend that Mr. Betts' list be submitted to the Government of India for orders, for he now appeals against the decision of the Collector of Sea Customs, which, in the terms of Act No. 10 of 1860, is made "final in law." The whole sentence is as follows, "and the Collector of Customs, subject to the General Orders of the Government of India in the Revenue Department, shall decide what articles come within the definition of machinery and such decision shall be final in law." Machinery of all kinds being exempted from duty.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

ORDER THEREON, 19th May 1862, No. 261.

Ordered that the foregoing Observations and the correspondence (in original) submitted therewith be referred to the Revenue Department for consideration.

(True Extract.)

G. J. Cumberland

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department,
(with papers in original.)

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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From Bd of Rev 14 July 62 R No 2048.

From Ag Consulting Engr Great Sn of India Railway 15 Sept 62 C No 2657

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt in the Tinnevelly Railway Department

Dated 19th May
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Fort St George
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