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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th March 1876.*

No. 156. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Fort William, 29th February 1876, No. 605—19 R. :—

Maintenance of the approaches of public roads which cross Railways either over, under, or on the level.

Read again—

Public Works Department Resolution, No. 2,033—40 R., of the 14th August 1875, to Local Governments and Administrations.

Read also—

From Chief Commissioner of Oudh, No. 39 S., of the 30th August 1875.

" " Central Provinces, No. 5,728, dated the 2nd September 1875.
" Agent to the Governor-General for Central India, No. 2,671, dated the 2nd September 1875.

" Resident at Hyderabad, No. 223 R—G., dated the 13th September 1875.

" Punjab Government, No. 802 C., dated the 30th September 1875.

" North-Western Provinces Government, No. 178 R—C., dated the 9th October 1875.

" Agent to the Governor-General for Rajpootana, No. 2,654 S., dated the 14th October 1875.

" Government of Bengal, No. 504, dated the 28th January 1876.

OBSERVATIONS.—In the Resolution Nos. 2,033—40 R., dated 14th August 1875,

In the case of over and under bridges, Railway Companies construct the approaches of bridges and all works belonging thereto, and they also maintain the entire structure of the bridges, including masonry in retaining walls and parapets of approaches. They further maintain the slopes and fences which lie within, or constitute the boundaries of Railway land, but not the roadway and slopes and fences lying outside the boundaries of the Railway. These are maintained not by the Railway Company but by the Local authorities. In regard to level crossings, the Companies provide gates and maintain the portion lying within Railway limits.

the Government of India expressed the opinion that the rule quoted in the margin, and followed on the Railways in Madras and Bombay, in respect to the maintenance of the approaches of public roads which cross Railways either over, under, or on the level, was simple and unobjectionable, and might be generally adopted

if approved by the Local Governments and Administrations. Their opinions were accordingly called for.

2. Replies have now been received from all the Administrative authorities concerned in favor of the rule, and it is accordingly decided by the Government of India that the rule shall be adopted on all Guaranteed and State Railways throughout India.

Governments of Bengal, North-Western Provinces and the Punjab, in the Public Works Department.
The Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces and British Burmah.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agent to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana.
The Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways at Calcutta, Lahore and Lucknow.
The Director of State Railways.

ORDER.—Ordered that this Resolution be forwarded to the Governments, Administrations and Officers noted in the margin for information and guidance.

Also to the Governments of Madras and Bombay in the Public Works Department, Railway, for information.

(Signed)

H. DRUMMOND, Colonel, R.E.,
Deputy Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th March 1876.*

No. 157. ORDER THEREON, 13th March 1876, No. 639.

RAILWAY, No. 18.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to District Engineers, and to the Financial and Revenue Departments.

(True Extract.)

C. M. Walker Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
To District Engineers.
" Financial Department.
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