

Public Works (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 858 R

DATED 10. Oct. 1896

[Despatch Abstract.]

Racks for Soldiers' Rifles: Letter to the Govt of India forwarding a statement showing the progress made up to 30 June 1896 in fitting ^{racks} or — and in altering the notches of the racks in Carriages on the Railways under the control of this Government.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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No. 323 R.S. .

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
RAILWAY STORES.

To

The Joint Secy: to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Department,
Railway branch

Simla, the 24th July 1896.

Sir,

It has been brought to the notice of the Government of India that during the recent movement of a British corps by railway it was found that the Lee-Metford rifle was likely to be damaged by being placed into the racks under the seats of certain railway carriages, which, it was ascertained on enquiry, had not been altered so as to take the new rifle, as ordered by the Government of India in this Department letter No. 828 R. C., dated the 28th August 1889. I am accordingly directed to request that the Government of India may be furnished with information, as per form attached, showing what progress was made up to 30th June 1896 in fitting hooks or racks and in altering the notches of the racks in carriages on each railway under the control of the Government of Madras.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

G. A. Anderson

Offg. Under Secretary.

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Document accompanying
Form referred to.

(cont. per B: R7 B1)

P.W.C. No. 7297

No. 2562 Sd. No. 323.R.S. 324. 7.96.
21/8/96

(12) Copy forwarded
to ~~Chm~~ ⁽¹⁰⁾ for favor of com-
pliance, with reference to
this office No. $\frac{831}{910}$ of 10.10.87
and subsequent corres-
pondence

(7) Copy forwarded
to N.S.R. for favor of
compliance with reference
to this office No. $\frac{198}{31.1.93}$ if
he has not furnished
the required information
thru the Resident

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Despatched on 21-8-96

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Madras Railway Company.

AGENT & MANAGER'S OFFICE,

RAYAPETRAM TERMINUS,

Madras. 23th August 1903

No. 3313-C.

From

The Asst. Agent & Manager,

Madras Railway Company.

To

The Offg. Consulting Engineer for Railways,

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your Endorsement No. 2562 of the 21st instant, of Government of India letter No. 323 E.S., dated 24th ultimo, I have the honour to return herewith, duly filled in, the form sent by you showing the number carriages on this Railway fitted with hooks for soldiers' rifles up to 30th June 1903.

The Locomotive Superintendent writes:-

"None of the stock on this line has been fitted with racks
"the original alternative pattern of hook having been adopted. The
"hooks were made to a pattern approved, I believe, by the Military
"Department and are suitable for Martini Henri rifles. Whether the
"will suit the Lee Metford rifles, I do not know, but should there
"be any doubt on this point, it would perhaps be well for them to be
"examined."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Ernest Cresswell

Asst. Agent & Manager.

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No. 824 South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.
AGENT'S OFFICE,
TRICHINOPOLY, 8th September 1896.
From
THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,
To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

Yo. With reference to your endorsement No. 2562 of 21st August 1896 on Government of India's letter No. 323 R.S. of 24th July 1896, I have the honor to forward a Statement - showing the progress made upto 30th June 1896 on this Railway in fitting carriages with hooks or racks for soldiers' rifles. As regards the number of vehicles fitted with racks which have been altered so as to take either the Lee- Metford or the Martini-Henry Rifle, I beg to inform you that all the carriages that have been provided with rifle racks have been fitted in accordance with the drawing issued with Government of India letter No. 828 P.C. dated 28th August 1889.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
W. L. Munnis
for Agent

W. L. Munnis

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NO 1896A

From

AGENT AND MANAGER

THE NORTHERN CANTONMENT STATE RY. CO., LD.

To

Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

10th Sept. 1901

Encl. 1

Sir,

With reference to your
endorsement P. 2562 of 21st ultimo I have
the honor to return, herewith the form
attached to the Govt. of India Resolution
P. 322 R.S. dated 27th July 1896 with the
information asked for duly filled in.

Enclosed to Col. 2 5 4 1 17
was received that there
was no rolling stock
in the N.S.R., Return to A
may be filled up

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedt. Servant,

C. R. Dando
Ag. Agent.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

Trichinopoly.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS,

Madras.

Dated
Received

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No.

ENCLOSURE

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Form No. 10.

Railway Department.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 19-9-1896.

To

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No. 2934 Reply No. 20100, dated 1/10/96

Sir,

Reminders.

With reference to your
I have the honour
to return the statement
of carriages fitted with
hooks or racks forwarded
with your letter N: 1896W
of 16th Sept 1896 and to request
that, as the entry "nil"
made under Column 257
would indicate that
there ^{is} no passenger
rolling stock, ~~they may be~~
~~being fitted up~~ on the
N. F. R. the correct number
of carriages of each class
on the line may be entered.

19-9-96

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From

The ^{Ag.} AGENT ~~and~~ MANAGER,

H. H. the Nizam's Guaranteed State Eys. Co., Ltd.

To

To Consulting Engineer
for Railways
MadrasDated Secunderabad, (Deccan) 1st Oct. 1896

Enclosure. /

REFERENCE.

Sir,

With reference to your
letter of 29/4 dated 19th ultimo, I have
the honor to return herewith the
Statement referred to duly filled
in as desired.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours most obedt. servt.

CWD unlof

Ag. Agent

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

*Shule*Coety. *the 10th October* 1896.

Sir,

With reference to your
letter No 323 R.S dated 24
July 1896, I am directed
to forward herewith ^a state-
ment showing the progress
made up to 30 June 1896 in
fitting hooks or racks and
in altering the notices of
the racks in carriages on
the Railway under the
control of this ~~branch~~
Division.

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Documents accompanying:
Statement referred to

JHSR
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N. 856. R. dated 10. 10. 96

Enclosure to Government of India

Statement showing the number of carriages fitted with

No. 323 B.S. of 24th July 1896.

or racks for soldier's rifles up to 30th June 1896.

RAILWAY.	NUMBER OF CARRIAGES OF EACH CLASS OF THE LINE						NUMBER OF CARRIAGES FITTED WITH									
							Hooks.					Racks.				
	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Third class.
N. & S. Ry.	9	nil	8	nil	57	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

	PERCENTAGE OF NUMBER FITTED ON THE TOTAL STOCK OF EACH CLASS.						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS WHICH HAVE BEEN ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY MARTINI RIFLE.						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS, BUT WHICH REMAIN TO BE ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY-MARTINI RIFLE.					
	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.
	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

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Statement showing the number of carriages fitted with locks or racks for soldier's rifles up to 30th June 1896.

Statement showing the number of carriages fitted with racks of racks for																																				
RAILWAY.	NUMBER OF CARRIAGES OF EACH CLASS ON THE LINE						NUMBER OF CARRIAGES FITTED WITH												PERCENTAGE OF NUMBER FITTED ON THE TOTAL STOCK OF EACH CLASS						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS WHICH HAVE BEEN ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY MARTINI RIFLE						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS, BUT WHICH REMAIN TO BE ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY-MARTINI RIFLE.					
							HOOKE						ROBEY																							
	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.						
South Indian Railway	35	29	44	-	10	628	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 26	-	(b) 10	463	-	89	65	-	100	73	72	-	26	-	-	10	463							

(a) including 20 Bogie Carriages

(b) Composites 1st, 2nd and 3rd class Carriages

(c) 2 Third Class and Postal Vans

(d) 8 Third Class and Brake Vans

Agent's Office,
Trichinopoly
8th September 1896

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 (b) Composites 1st, 2nd and 3rd class carriages
 (c) 2 Third class and Postal Vans
 (d) 8 Third class and Brake Vans

Agent's Office,
 Trichinopoly
 8th September 1896

M. S. M. M. M.
 for Agent

Statement showing the number of carriages fitted with hooks or racks for soldier's rifles up to 30th June 1896.

Statement showing the number of carriages fitted with hooks or racks of various patterns.																																					
RAILWAY.	NUMBER OF CARRIAGES OF EACH CLASS OF THE LINE						NUMBER OF CARRIAGES FITTED WITH—										PERCENTAGE OF CARRIAGES FITTED OF THE TOTAL STOCK OF EACH CLASS.						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS WHICH HAVE BEEN ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY MARTINI RIFLES						NUMBER FITTED WITH RACKS, BUT WHICH NUMBER IS BEING ALTERED SO AS TO TAKE EITHER THE LEE-METFORD OR THE HENRY MARTINI RIFLES.								
							HOOKS.					RACKS.																									
	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	Composite first and second.	Composite first and third.	Second class.	Intermediate class.	Composite intermediate and third.	Third class.	
Madras Railway	40	-	-	382	-	-	70	-	-	309	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil	100	-	-	80.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Perambur Works 26 th August 1896																																					
C. P. S																																					

For amendment
26th August 1896

W. H. S. M.
General Superintendent

Enclosure to Government of India letter No. 323 R.S., dated 21th July 1896.

Statement showing the number of carriages filled with hooks or racks for soldier's rifles up to 20th June 1896.

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