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[Despatch Abstract.]

Outagency at Vellore: Letter to the Govt. of India forwarding Cpr. of letter from the agent & manager, Madras Ry. in explanation of his action in having opened the —.

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AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE

Madras, 13th November 1896

The Agent and Manager.
M. A. B.

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras

Sub.

With reference to your note No. 3492 dated 6th November 1896 on letter No. 844.R.T. dated 28th October 1896 from the Government of India, I have the honour to inform you that in compliance with the instructions contained therein the Out Agency at Vellore will be closed on 1st January 1897.

2. Under the Conference Rules we are compelled to give notice to foreign railways of any change of this nature in our Tariff changes advice on the 20th of each month to take effect from the second month following, the Out Agency therefore cannot be legitimately closed before the above mentioned date.

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3. In regard to para. 2 in which an explanation is called for, I desire to point out that the views of the South Indian Rail-
way were duly considered at the time, but inasmuch as the opinion of the Agent of that Company was based on a mistaken conception of the objects of the Out Agency, and no proof could be adduced that the South Indian Railway suffered any loss of traffic by its establishment, the Out Agency was opened as a tentative measure pending the result of the reference to the Government of India.

4. Special attention is respectfully invited to this Office letter ^{to} No. $\frac{8622}{491}$ dated 9th June 1896 in which the fullest explanation is submitted of the grounds on which the Out Agency at Vellore was opened, and I greatly regret the decision of the Government of India to close an Out Agency which in no way injuriously affected the South Indian Railway, and the abolition of which will entail a sacrifice of this Company's revenue.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Henry Clerk.

Ag. Agent & Manager.

No. 97728

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India
P. W. Dept.
Calcutta

Made at the 17th November 1896.

Sir,

With reference to
your letter No. 846 R.T.
of 28 October 1896, I
am directed to forward
herewith a copy of letter
No. 8622 of 13 November
1896 from the Agent to
the Agent to Madras Ry.
in explanation of his
action in having sent
the baggage at value

Document accompanying:-

Copy of this letter No.

8622 of 13/11/96

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated

1896

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