and find that the Dickson people have been very negligent in regard to the matter, although they claim that there was no special order given them to hurry up the manufacture of the locomotive. The Torriss Bridge is going by piece-meal and will be there no doubt long before we are ready for it.

I hope you succeeded in getting the Tramway Engine from Mr. Keith, so as to proceed with the track laying as rapidly as possible.

I received your cablegram and will take up the matter with the President immediately, and have no doubt I will arrange the matter as was understood when I left there. Of course, I understand this change would not affect the giving of Government notes for the excess on our monthly estimate, and this would be a very importantmatter to us in connection with what we have to meet there.

However, I presume when you write me you will give me complete data in reference to the matter, and I will try and have it all satisfactorily arranged with Don Rafael before his departure for Europe.

Iam somewhat encouraged to believe that things here can be arranged satisfactorily for Costa Rica, as the President has been very warmly received here by our Government, and the conditions of the Nicaragua Canal matter are assuming a very important phase.