stamps on the indenture of lease upon executing the same, and it is to be understood that the said Commissioners will not undertake to procure the tenant a license.

A printed form of the tender and indenture of lease may be had at this office, or on application to the respective Barrack Masters. No tender will be received after one o'clock, on the day of treaty, nor any noticed, unless the party attends, or an agent for him duly authorized in writing.

Every tender must be addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty, and bear in the left-hand corner the words, "Tender for Marine Barrack Canteen," and must also be delivered at the Office of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, at Somerset-place.

By the Mutiny Act, Canteens are not liable to have troops billeted on them.

As all persons becoming tenants of Canteens will be bound to the strict performance of the covenants of the indenture of lease, and to the full payment of the rent and privilege of sale to the troops, without any remission or reduction under any circumstances whatever, they are hereby cautioned to make themselves fully acquainted with the conditions of letting, prior to their making a proposal.

The rents of the Canteens as tenements or dwellings are to be proposed at the sums stated opposite to each in the following list; therefore the biddings will be upon what is offered for every ten men per month, exclusive of sergeants occupying the barracks, the number being ascertained from the Barrack Master's returns, made up at twelve o'clock at noon on the first day of every month, and no changes in the occupation of the barrack which may take place in the progress of the month, either for or against the tenant, will be taken into account. No less number than ten will be charged against the tenant, nor will any odd number be calculated: thus, if the barrack should be occupied by 148 men on the first day of the month, only 140 will be calculated for that month. The bidders are also desired to introduce no fractional parts of a penny in their offers, as they will not be noticed, nor will any tenders be noticed except such as are strictly according to the form furnished.

CHATHAM-Canteen and Shop -	-	£30
PORTSMOUTH — Marine Artiller Canteen	y	£10
PLYMOUTH-Canteen and Shop	-	£10

## CONTRACT FOR SUPPLIES FOR CONVICTS.

SUCH persons as are desirous of tendering for the supply of

Bread, Flour, Meat, Potatoes, Rice, Cocoa, Cocoa Nuts, Arrow Root, Milk, Porter, Sugar, Tea, Molasses, Oatmeal, Salt, Rice, Barley, Cheese, Vegetables, Malt, Hops, Black Fepper, Clothing, Leather, Shoes, Bedding, Blankets, Pewter and Tin Articles, Brushes, Brooms, Whiting, Soda, Soft Soap, Paste Blacking, Fire Wood, Coals, Coke, Candles, Oil, Soap, White Lead, Turpentine, &c. &c. &c. the Provisions for six months, the Clothing and Necessaries for the ensuing twelve months for the use of Convicts confined in Millbank, Pentonville, Portland, Parkhurst, and Shorncliff Prisons, and on board the Hulks at Portsmouth and Woolwich,

may obtain forms of tender by applying at the several Prisons, or on board the Hulks, or to the "Directors of Government Prisons," at No. 45, Parliament-street, where samples may be inspected.

Separate tenders (on printed forms only), duly signed by the parties and the persons offering to become their securities, to be addressed to "No. 45, Parliament-street," and marked "Tender to supply Stores for Convicts, at ——," on or before twelve o'clock on Thursday the 18th day of December 1849.

The parties whose tenders are accepted will be duly notified thereof.

Bank of England, December 13, 1849. THE Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England give notice,

That a General Court will be held at the Bank, on Thursday next the 20th instant, at twelve o'cloch precisely, being one of the Quarterly General Courts appointed by the charter.

John Knight, Secretary.

## National Bank of Ireland.

No. 13, Old Broad-Street, London, December 11, 1849.

Notice is hereby given, that the Court of Directors of the National Bank of Ireland have declared a dividend on the paid up capital of the Company, after the rate of £5 per cent. per annum, for the half year ending the 31st day of December 1849, and the warrants for the payment of the same will be ready for delivery, on and after Thursday the 10th day of January 1850, between the hours of ten and three o'clock, at the Company's Office, 13, Old Broad-street, London, and at the Branches of the Society in Dublin, Athlone, Athy, Ballina, Ballinasloe, Boyle, Carrickmacross, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel, Castlerea, Charleville, Clonakilty, Clonmel, Cork, Dundalk, Dungarvan, Ennis, Enniscorthy, Fermoy, Galway, Kanturk, Kells, Kilkenny, Killarney, Kilrush, Limerick, Longford, Loughrea, Mallow, Midleton, Mitchelstown, Moate, Mullingar, Nenagh, New Ross, Rathkeale, Roscommon, Roscrea, Skibbereen, Tallow, Thurles, Tipperary, Tralee, Tuam, Waterford, Westport, Weaford, and Wicklow. And further notice is hereby given, that the

And further notice is hereby given, that the transfer books of the Company will be closed from Saturday the 22nd instant until after the day fixed for the delivery of the dividend warrants. By order of the Court of Directors,

N. S. King, Secretary.

Alliance British and Foreign Life and Fire Assurance Company.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that the transfer books of this Company will be and continue closed from Monday the 24th instant to Wednesday the 2nd day of January next, both days inclusive, pursuant to the Act of Parliament. -Dated 1, Bartholomew-lane, this 13th day of December 1849.

A. Hamilton, Secretary.

Sambre and Meuse Railway.

No. 61, Moorgate-Street, London, December 12, 1849.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the ninth Half-yearly General Meeting of the Proprietors in this undertaking will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 61, Moorgate-street, London, on Thursday the 10th day of January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon; and in Belgium, at the Siège of the Societé, Jardinet, les Walcourt, on Wednesday the 23rd day of January next, at the same hour, on the general business of the Company.

Wm. P. Richards, President. Joseph George, Secretary.