

the Stationery Office, James-street, Buckingham-gate, to be marked on the cover "Tender for Parchments and Vellums," and to be delivered by twelve o'clock on Tuesday, 10th May, 1853; after which day and hour no tender can or will be received.

CONTRACTS FOR RUM, COCOA, VINEGAR, SOAP AND CANVAS.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, Somerset-Place, April 23, 1853.

THE Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland do hereby give notice, that on Thursday the 19th May next, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying and delivering into Her Majesty's Victualling Stores at Deptford, the undermentioned articles; viz:

Rum (the produce of the British possessions in the West Indies), 20,000 gallons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Rum (the produce of other British possessions), 20,000 gallons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Cocoa (Bahia), 100 tons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Cocoa (Para), 100 tons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Vinegar, 10,000 gallons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Soap (Mottled), 30 tons; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Canvas for Pudding-bag, 600 ells; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in one month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

The rum and cocoa to be exempted from the Customs' duties, and the soap to be tendered for at a price exclusive of the Excise drawback, which will be allowed to the contractor.

Tenders will not be received for a less quantity of rum than 5,000 gallons of either description, 25 tons of cocoa, 2,000 gallons of vinegar, 10 tons of soap, and 200 ells of canvas.

Samples of the rum to be sent in pints for each Import mark, and the average strength of each mark Ex to be stated, and not an average of different marks or strengths of several imports, and any parcel of rum that is found not to be of the same quality mark or average strength of the sample tendered and accepted, will be rejected by the officers; and samples of the cocoa (not less than 2 lbs.), and of the soap (not less than a bar), must be produced by the parties tendering, and separate tenders must be made for each description of rum.

The samples produced by persons whose tenders are not accepted, are requested to be taken away by them immediately after the contracts have been decided. A sample of the canvas may be seen at the said office, and also at the Victualling-yards at Gosport and Plymouth.

The conditions of the revised contracts, to which particular attention is called, may be seen at the said office, at the Victualling-yards at Gosport and Plymouth, at the office of Commander Bevis, at Liverpool, and of the Collector of Customs, at Bristol.

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" and must also be delivered at Somerset-place, and those for rum and cocoa must be accompanied by a letter, signed by two responsible persons, and those for canvas by one responsible person engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of £20 per cent. on the value, for the due performance of the contracts.

CONTRACTS FOR STAVES AND IRON HOOPS.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, Somerset-Place, April 8, 1853.

THE Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland do hereby give notice, that on Thursday the 28th instant, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying and delivering into Her Majesty's Victualling Stores at Deptford, Gosport, and Plymouth, the undermentioned articles; viz.:

Baltic Pipe Staves, 50 mille great tale, Deptford; 5 mille great tale, Gosport; 5 mille great tale, Plymouth; half to be delivered at each place by the 1st October, and the remainder by the 31st December next, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Quebec Pipe Staves, 2 mille great tale, Plymouth; half to be delivered by the 1st October, and the remainder by the 31st December next, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

New Iron Butt and Plate Hoops, 163 tons, Deptford; half to be delivered by the 31st July, and the remainder by the 30th September next, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

New Iron Plate Hoops, 6 tons, Gosport; 11½ tons, Plymouth; half to be delivered at each place by the 31st July, and the remainder by the 30th September next, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Samples of the articles may be seen at the Victualling Yards at Deptford, Gosport, and Plymouth.

The conditions of the revised contracts, to which particular attention is called, may be seen at the said Office, and at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth.

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" and must also be delivered at Somerset-place, accompanied by a letter, signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering in the sum of £20 per cent. on the value for the due performance of the contract, if exceeding £2,500, and by one person if under that sum: