

1693. And Charles Goodyear, of Avenue-road, St. John's Wood, in the county of Middlesex, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of pens, pencils, and instruments used when writing, marking, and drawing."

1694. And Charles Goodyear, of Avenue-road, St. John's Wood, in the county of Middlesex, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in preparing india rubber."

1695. And Charles Goodyear, of Avenue-road, St. John's Wood, in the county of Middlesex, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of beds, seats, and other hollow flexible articles to contain air."

As set forth in their respective petitions, all recorded in the said office on the 15th day of July, 1853.

1700. And Jacques Rives, of No. 8, Hotel Motay, Rue Motay, Paris, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in trusses for the cure or alleviation of hernia."

1701. And Benjamin Burrows, of Leicester, Designer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in Jacquard apparatus."

1703. And Samuel Colt, of Spring Gardens, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improved machinery for boring metals."—Partly a communication.

As set forth in their respective petitions all recorded in the said office on the 16th day of July, 1853.

1718. And James Shield Norton, and Henry Jules Borie, of Union Works, New Park-street, Southwark, Engineers and Iron Founders, have given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of tiles and stairs from plastic materials."

1719. And John Dent Goodman, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in lanterns."—A communication.

1721. And Alexander Cochran, of Kirkton Bleach Works, in the county of Renfrew, North Britain, Bleacher, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in finishing muslin and other fabrics."

As set forth in their respective petitions, all recorded in the said office on the 20th day of July, 1853.

And notice is hereby further given, that all persons having an interest in opposing any one of such applications, are at liberty to leave particulars in writing of their objections to such application, at the said Office of the Commissioners, within twenty-one days after the date of the Gazette in which this notice is issued.

CONTRACTS FOR RUM, PEAS, SUGAR, TEA AND SOAP.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, Somerset-Place, July 29, 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 11th August 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

Gosport and Plymouth, the undermentioned articles; viz.:

Rum, 20,000 gallons, Gosport; one half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in a month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Peas, 150 quarters, Gosport; one half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in a month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Sugar, 80 tons, Gosport; 40 tons, Plymouth; one half of each to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in a month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Tea (Congou) 15,000 lbs. Gosport; 10,000 lbs. Plymouth; one half of each to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in a month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Soap, 10 tons, Plymouth; one half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in a month afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

The rum, sugar, and tea, to be exempted from the Customs' duties.

No tender will be received for a less quantity of rum than 5,000 gallons, of peas than 50 quarters, of sugar than 10 tons, of tea than 5,000 lbs., and of soap than 5 tons.

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 peas (not less than 2 quarts), of the sugar (not less than 4 lbs.), of the tea (not less than 2 lbs. from the Bonded Warehouse), and of the soap (not less than a bar), must be produced by the parties tendering.

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.

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, sugar, and tea, must be accompanied by a letter, signed by a 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.

British Empire Mutual Fire Assurance Society, Incorporated pursuant to Act 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 110.

No. 37, New Bridge-Street, Blackfriars, London, August 1, 1853.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held on Thursday, August the 25th instant, at the offices of the Society, No. 37, New Bridge-street, Blackfriars, London, at twelve o'clock precisely. William Suttou Gover, Secretary.