- 304. To Nathan Ager, of Upper Ebury-street, Pimlico, in the county of Middlesex, Carpenter, for the invention of "improvements in connecting spindles of locks and latches with their knobs and handles."
- 306. And to Thomas Mills, of Leicester, in the county of Leicester, Manufacturer of Gloves and Fancy Hosiery, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for the manufacture of looped fabrics."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 4th day of February, 1856.

- 308. To Frans-Victor-Oscar Hyckert, of Paris, in the Empire of France, for the invention of "improvements in heating."
- 310. To Michael Leopold Parnell, Patent Lock Manufacturer, of No. 283, Strand, in the parish of St. Clement Danes, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "an improvement in the construction of locks."
- 312. To Francis Montgomery Jennings, of the city of Cork, Manufacturing Chemist, for the invention of "improvements in bleaching vegetable fibres."
- 316. And to Thomas Williams, of Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanist, for the invention of "improvements in omnibuses."

On their several petitions recorded in the Office of the Commissioners, on the 5th day of February, 1855.

- 318. To George Napier, of Bath-street, Glasgow. in the county of Lanark, and of the Adelphi, in the county of Middlesex, and John Miller, of Cavendish-street, Glasgow, in the county of Lanark, for the invention of "improvements in the mode of driving and in applying screw propellers to the propulsion of vessels."
- 320. To John Dodgeon, of Burnley, in the county of Lancaster, Machinist, and James Wilson Bateson, of Rawtenstall, in the county of Lancaster, Mechanic, for the invention of "certain improvements in looms for weaving."
- 322. To John Inshaw, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Engineer, for the invention of "a new or improved pressure guage."
- 324. To CharlesVictor de Sauty, of 4, St. Mary'sterrace, Walworth, in the county of Surrey, Electrician, for the invention of "the prevention of the leading or fouling of fire arms."
- 326. To Franklin Prestage. of Wylye, Heystesbury, in the county of Wilts, for the invention of "improvements in locomotive engines."
- 328. And to Charles Frederick Philipp Funcke, of Herdecke, Westphalia, Tanner and Currier for the invention of "improvements in tanning skins and hides."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 6th day of February, 1856.

- 330. To Richard Bleasdale, of Rochdale, in the county of Lancaster, Mechanic, for the invention of "certain improvements in the machines for spinning called 'throstles.'"
- 334. And to Henry Berlette, of Boulogne-surmer, in the Empire of France, for the invention of "an improved apparatus for roasting coffee."

On both their petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 7th day of February, 1856.

## CONTRACT FOR MAKING UP CLOTHING.

War Department, Pall Mall, February 13, 1856.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Director-General of Contracts, War Department, Pall Mall, is prepared to receive tenders for making up clothing for a portion of Her Majesty's Regiments of the Line.

The garments to be made up will consist of tunics, shell-jackets, and trousers, for Serjeants, Band, Drummers, and Privates of the Line, and for Serjeants, Band, Buglers, and Privates of the Rifles.

The cloth will be issued from the Army Clothing Depôt at Weedon. The party whose tenders are accepted will have to bear the expenses incurred in removing the cloth to the place where the garments are to be made up. Parties tendering will have to furnish the facings, trimmings, linings, buttons, and garniture, according to sealed patterns.

The cloth will be ready for issue by the 15th April, and the garments when made up will have to be delivered into the stores of Messrs. Hayter and Howell, 52, Mark-lane, London, at the expense of the contractor.

5,000 suits will require to be delivered per month.

Patterns of the garments required to be made up may be seen, and specifications obtained, at the Army Clothing Office, War Department, Pall Mall.

The tenders are to be received on or before Thursday the 21st instant (after which no tender will be received), addressed to "The Director-General of Contracts, War Department, Pall Mall, London," marked on the outside, "Tender for Making-up Clothing."

Parties tendering are requested to use no form but that which can be obtained from the Director-General of Contracts, who does not bind himself necessarily to accept the lowest tender.

Geo. Hanby,

pro the Director-General of Contracts.

## CONTRACT FOR STAVES.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling, Somerset-House, February 4, 1856.

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 Tuesday the 19th 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 and Plymouth, the undermentioned staves, viz.:

- Deptford, Quebec Pipe Staves, 12 mille; half to be delivered in one month, and the remainder in two months, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.
- Plymouth, Quebec Pipe Staves, 16 mille; half to be delivered by the 15th day of May, and the remainder by the 31st day of July, 1856, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Tenders may be made for the whole or any portion of the staves; but separate tenders must be made for each place, and no attention will be paid to ary offer not so made.

Their Lordships reserve to themselves the power, when the tenders are opened, of contracting either for the whole, or for such part thereof only as they