

speed, length 184 feet, width 26 feet; draught of water 9 ft. 6 in. light, 10 ft. 9 in. deep; armament 2 heavy pivot guns, 4 broadside do., crew 100 men; original cost price without armament £20,000; built by Laird, Bros., at Birkenhead, of iron, with engine room shell proof.

"AMOY" (formerly Her Majesty's Gun-boat "Jasper"), 301 tonnage, wood, screw, 80 horse-power (condensing), Maudslay and Co., makers of engines, full speed when built 8, half ditto 6, stowage of coals 45, 9½ days at full speed, 14 days at half speed; length 161 feet, width 22.3 feet (according to Register actual length 133 feet, width 23 feet); draught of water 7 feet light, 9 feet deep; armament 2 heavy pivot guns, 2 howitzers; original cost price without armament £9,000; purchased from the Admiralty for £8,000, but afterwards fitted as condensing engine, and re-coppered.

CONTRACT FOR BISCUIT BAGGING FOR THE ROYAL NAVY.

Contract Department, Admiralty,
Somerset House, December 23,
1865.

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 January next, at noon, 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, all such quantities of

BISCUIT BAGGING,

(for the use of the Royal Navy).

as may from time to time be demanded under a contract for twelve months certain, and further, until the expiration of three months' warning.

A pattern of the bis uit bagging may be seen in the Lobby of the Department of the Comptroller of Victualling, Admiralty, Somerset House, where the conditions of contract may also be seen.

No tender will be received unless made on the printed form provided for the purpose, and which may be obtained on application in the said Lobby.

No tender will be received after noon on the day of treaty; and it will not be required that the party tendering, or an agent on his behalf, should attend at the office on the day of contract, as the result of the offer received from each person will be communicated to him and his proposed sureties in writing.

Every tender must be addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty, and bear in the left-hand corner the words "Tender for Biscuit Bagging," and must also be delivered at the Department of the Comptroller of Victualling, Admiralty, Somerset House, signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering in the sum of £500 for the due performance of the contract.

CONTRACT FOR BRUSHES, BROOMS, HAIR PENCILS, AND TOOLS, &c.

Contract Department, Admiralty,
Somerset House, December 18,
1865.

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 9th January next, at two o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such

persons as may be willing to contract for supplying and delivering into Store at Her Majesty's several Dock Yards, all such quantities of

BRUSHES, BROOMS, HAIR PENCILS, AND TOOLS, &c.,

as may from time to time be ordered under a contract for twelve months certain, and further, until the expiration of three months' warning.

Patterns of the articles may be seen, the average annual consumption of each article for the last three years may be ascertained, and a form of the tender, including a schedule of the articles, and conditions of contract, may be obtained on application at this Department.

No tender will be received after two o'clock on the day of treaty, nor will any be 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 Brushes, &c.," and must also be delivered at the Department of the Storekeeper-General, Admiralty, Somerset House, accompanied by a letter signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering in the sum of £500 for the due performance of the contract.

CONTRACT FOR ENGLISH ELM TIMBER.

Contract Department, Admiralty,
Somerset House, December 22,
1865.

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 9th January next, at two o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying Her Majesty's several Dock Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Chatham, Portsmouth, and Devonport, with

1,500 LOADS OF ENGLISH ELM TIMBER,

felled between the middle of November, 1865, and the end of February, 1866; and to be delivered (at prices including all carriage and other expences) by the 31st December, 1866.

Tenders may be made for the supply of any one or more of the yards, or for the whole of them.

A distribution of the tender, together with a form of the tender and conditions of contract may be obtained at the above Department.

No tender will be received after two o'clock on the day of treaty, nor will any be 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 Elm Timber," and must also be delivered at the Department of the Storekeeper-General, Admiralty, Somerset House, accompanied by a letter, signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of £1 per load for the due performance of the contract.

CONTRACTS FOR OATS, PEPPER, AND TEA.

Contract Department, Admiralty,
Somerset House, December 30,
1865.

THE Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland do hereby give notice,