

their Bonds for payment at the offices of the Netherlands Trading Society in Amsterdam instead of at the address stated in the Crown Agents' notice of the 1st of August.

The deposit must be effected not later than the 2nd of October next.

Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies,
London, 27th August, 1903.

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**TRANSVAAL NETHERLANDS SOUTH
AFRICAN RAILWAY COMPANY'S
DEBENTURES.**

In pursuance of the notification issued under the instructions of His Majesty's Government on the 30th of May, and advertised in the London Gazette of the 2nd June, the Crown Agents for the Colonies beg to notify, for the information of all concerned, that they will, on the 6th November next, be prepared to purchase the undermentioned Debenture Bonds of the Netherlands South African Railway Company on the following terms and conditions, viz.:—

For each Four per cent. Debenture Bond for Florins 1,000, with all unpaid Coupons attached. Issue of 1889, at ins 1,000, with all unpaid Florins 1,124.

Payment will be made in London in sterling, at the cheque rate of exchange of Amsterdam on London ruling on the 30th October next.

Bondholders who fail to accept this offer, and who do not surrender their bonds on the 6th November, or on such later date as the Crown Agents may authorize in special cases, will receive no further consideration from either His Majesty's Government or the Government of the Transvaal.

The Crown Agents cannot undertake to repay the bonds through the post. Foreign or country holders should therefore cause their bonds to be presented through the London agents of their bankers. In the case, however, of bondholders who may desire to receive payment in florins in Amsterdam, they can deposit their bonds for payment at the office of the Netherlands Trading Society, in Amsterdam, provided that the deposit is made not later than the 23rd October next.

Forms for listing the bonds, which must be sent in with all unpaid coupons attached, can be obtained at the Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, Downing-street, S.W., and No. 1, Tokenhouse-buildings, E.C. The form, with the debentures and coupons, must be left seven clear days for examination at the Office of the Crown Agents in Downing-street.

London, 27th August, 1903.

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**TRANSVAAL NETHERLANDS SOUTH
AFRICAN RAILWAY COMPANY'S
SHARES.**

In pursuance of instructions received from His Majesty's Government, the Crown Agents for the Colonies beg to notify, for the information of all concerned, that they will, on the 1st of December, be prepared to purchase the undermentioned Shares of the Netherlands South African Railway Company on the following terms and conditions, viz.:—

For each share of 1,000 guilders carrying interest at the rate of 6% per annum .. £135 0 0 Interest @ 4% per annum from 1st September, 1900, to 1st December, 1903 .. £10 16 8

For each share of 1,000 guilders carrying interest at the rate of 4½% per annum ..	£112 10 0
Interest @ 3½% per annum from 1st September, 1900, to 1st December, 1903 ..	£9 0 6
	£121 10 6

The Crown Agents will require satisfactory proof that each share, on account of which payment is claimed, was in private hands on the 9th October, 1899, and no shares which were the property of the Government of the late South African Republic, or the property of Directors, or Officials of the Netherlands South African Railway Company will be paid for.

Payment will be made on the 1st of December, or as soon after that date as the shareholder can satisfy the Crown Agents as to the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions, but interest will in any circumstances cease as from the 30th of November.

In the event of shareholders desiring to receive earlier payment, they will be paid off with interest up to the date of lodging the shares, provided that they can satisfy the prescribed conditions.

Shareholders who fail to accept this offer and who do not surrender their shares on the 1st of December, or on such later date as the Crown Agents may authorize in special cases, will receive no further consideration from either His Majesty's Government or the Government of the Transvaal.

The Crown Agents cannot undertake to repay the shares through the post. Foreign or country holders should therefore cause their share certificates to be presented through the London agents of their Bankers.

Forms for listing the shares, together with a statement of the particulars which will be required as to the ownership of shares, will be obtainable at the Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, Downing-street, S.W., and No. 1, Tokenhouse-buildings, E.C., at a date which will be hereafter announced.

London, 27th August, 1903.

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NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 676 to 681 of the year 1903.)

[The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.]

No. 676.—NORWAY, WEST COAST—MOLDE FJORD.

Stabbeflu—Least Depth Over.

The Norwegian Government has given notice, dated 10th August, 1903, that a recent examination of the Stabbeflu to the southward of Tanterö, shows that the least depth over it is 14 feet, and not 6 fathoms as charted.

Approximate position, lat. $62^{\circ} 39\frac{1}{2}'$ N., long. $6^{\circ} 52\frac{3}{4}'$ E.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Romsdals Island to Hitteren Island, No. 2306; Approaches to Molde, No. 1298. Also, Norway Pilot, Part II, 1894, page 287.

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No. 677.—NORWAY, SOUTH COAST—CHRISTIANIA FIORD.

Tonsberg Fiord—Rocks in Approach.

The Norwegian Government has given notice, dated 10th August, 1903, of the existence of the undermentioned rocks off Ropestadholm and