bruary next inclusive, the highest bidder at the former letting of the said duties having failed to complete his contract for the same, pursuant to the conditions at such letting, wherefore the said. Commissioners of Stamps have declared such contract void:

No. DISTRICT. Annual Rent at which it will be put up.

The district will be put up at the sum above set opposite thereto, which, if there be no bidding, will be gradually abated down to a certain point, or till a bidding shall be made. The highest bidder will be declared the farmer, and will be required to pay down immediately, in Bank notes, seven and a half per cent. upon the annual rent as a deposit; if no sufficient bidding shall be made, it will be withdrawn.

All persons intending to bid for the said duties, are to deliver in their proposals, addressed to the Commissioners at the Stamp-Office, Somerset-Place, at least three days previous to the said 18th day of February next, signed with their names, and stating the places of their abode, otherwise their proposals cannot be proceeded upon.

And no persons licensed to let horses for the purpose of travelling post, nor any one for their use, can be admitted to contract for the said duties.

By order of the Commissioners of Stamps,

Wm. Kappen, Secretary

Navy-Office, January 31, 1818.

HE Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having appointed money for the payment of half-pay to Sea Officers, from the 1st October to the 31st December 1817, according to His Majesty's establishment in that behalf; these are to give notice, that the several payments will begin to be made at the Pay-Office, by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, at ten o'clock in the morning, on the following days, viz.

On the 9th, 10th, and 11th of February, to Admirals, Captains, and their Attornies.

On the 12th, 13th, 16th, and 17th of February, to Lieutenants and Chaplains, and their Attornies.

On the 18th and 19th of February, to Masters, Surgeons, and Pursers, and their Attornies.

After which the lists will be recalled the first and third Wednesday in every month, that all persons may then and there attend to receive what may, become payable to them, and bring with them the affidavit required, touching their not having enjoyed the benefit of any public employment; either at sea or on shore, during the time they are to be paid their half-pay; and in case any of the said. Officers should not be able to attend themselves;

but employ Attornies for that purpose, that the said Attornies do produce the like affidavit from the persons they are employed by.

Where Officers are abroad on leave, their agents are to produce attested copies of such leave, before

the half-pay can be paid.

And as by Act of Parliament, passed in the thirty-fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act for establishing a more easy and " expeditious Method for the Payment of Officers "belonging to His Majesty's Navy," it is enacted by the twentieth clause of the said Act, "that if "any Commissioned or Warrant Naval Officer" " who shall be entitled to receive Half-Pay, and "shall be desirous to receive and be paid the same at or near the place of his residence, " he may apply to the Treasurer of His Majesty's " Navy, in London, to have such Half-Pay paid "at or near the place of his residence, &c. in the man-"ner pointed out by the said Act;" and by a further Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for enabling the Officers in His Majesty's Navy, " and their representatives, to draw for and re-" ceive their balf-pay," it is enacted by the first and third clauses of the said Act, "that if any Officer in His Majesty's Navy, who shall be en-" titled to receive any sum of money for or on ac-" count of his half-pay, shall be desirous of draw-"ing a bill of exchange for the same upon the "Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, instead of receiving the same by, remittance bill, he shall signify such desire, by letter, to the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy; and that if any " Officer in His Majesty's Navy, who shall be entitled to receive any sum of money for or on account of half-pay, shall be desirous of having "his half-pay paid to him by extract at any of His Majesty's Dock-Yards where Clerks for the payment of wages for the Navy shall reside, in-" stead of receiving the same by remittance bill or " bill of exchange, he is to apply either to the proper Clerk, at the Navy Pay-Office, in London, or at the Pay-Office at such Dock-Yard, signifying such his desire;" notice is hereby further given, that the half-pay ending the 31st December 1817, will commence paying on the 9th of next month; and all persons desirous of drawing for or of having their half-pay remitted to them, may apply as above directed.

R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

MEM.—Bills of exchange drawn under or by virtue of the Act above recited, are not liable to the stamp duty.

t No persons residing out of His Majesty's dominions are entitled to the privileges of the Act.

## CONTRACT FOR FLOCK BEDS AND BOLSTERS.

Navy-Office, January 28, 1818.

joyed the benefit of any public employment, either at sea or on shore, during the time they are to be His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, paid their half-pay; and in case any of the said that on Wednesday the 11th of February next, at Officers should not be able to attend themselves, one o'clock; they will be ready to treat with such