£544,257 8s. 8d. (being one fourth part of the said surplus of £2,177,029 14s. 8d.) will be applied under the provisions of the said Act, between the 12th day of October 1834 and the 5th day of January 1835, to the following purposes, viz.:

To repay the Bank of England, per 5th Geo. 4th, c. 45, the sums advanced by the Bank to pay the proprietors of £4 per Cent. Stock, who did not assent to receive £3 10s. per Cent. Stock in lieu thereof,

To be applied to the purchase of

£. s. d 318 10 4

Stock - - -

543,938 18 4

544,257

Add Interest receivable on account of Donations and Bequests, to be applied to the purchase of Stock

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£544,260 18 1

S. Higham, Comptroller General. National Debt-Office, October 10, 1834.

> Admiralty, Somerset-Place, September 17, 1834.

HALF-PAY AND RETIRED PAY TO NAVAL OFFICERS AND OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL MARINES.

OTICE is hereby given, that on the receipt in the Wages Department at the Admiralty-office, Somerset-place, of the affidavit or certificate of identity required from each Officer by His Majesty's Orders in Council, a bill for the amount of the half-pay or retired-pay due will be made out in this Department, which will be payable by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, on the following days, viz.

On the 10th and 11th of October, to Masters, Surgeons, and Pursers, and their Attorneys.

On the 13th, 14th, and 15th of October, to Lieutenants at 5s. a day and under, and their Attorneys.

On the 16th and 17th of October, to Lieutenants at 7s. and 6s. a day, and Chaplains, and their Attorneys.

On the 20th, 21st, and 22d of October, to Admirals, Lieutenant-Generals, Major-Generals, Colonels, Lieutenant-Colonels, Majors, Captains, Commanders, and Retired Commanders, and their Attorneys.

Great inconvenience having been experienced by the claims of Officers, who have not chosen to receive their half-pay or retired-pay on the days fixed for their rank, being brought forward on the days appointed for the payment of half-pay and retired-pay to Officers of different ranks; notice is hereby given, that no such claims can in future be attended to on the days not appointed for Officers of those ranks; but for the accommodation of such Officers, and also for the convenience of those who may not have transmitted their affidavits or certificates suffi-

ciently early to admit of payment on the abovementioned days, a recall will take place on the 24th and 25th of October.

After which the half-pay and retired-pay will be payable on the first and third Wednesday in every month, excepting during the general payment.

Officers residing in or near London, and wishing to receive their half-pay or retired-pay in person, are requested to deliver their affidavits or certificates into the Wages-office at the Admiralty, Somerset-house, or transmit them to the Secretary of the Admiralty, immediately on the expiration of each quarter; and those employing agents are also requested to furnish their agents with their affidavits or certificates, as promptly, for unless such documents are early delivered into this Office, delay in the payment must unavoidably ensue.

It sometimes happens that Officers apply personally for their half-pay or retired-pay, without having previously sent in their affidavits or certificates as required by the usual advertisement; any delay or inconvenience to which they might be subject by this oversight, it is in the power of the Officers themselves to prevent, by an adherence to the existing regulations.

Under the authority of the Statutes relating to the pay of the Navy, besides the above-mentioned modes, Officers may receive their half-pay or retired-pay in any of the following ways, viz.

1st. By drawing a bill for the amount, on a form to be transmitted from this Office.

2d. By a remittance bill, or permanent remittance bill, payable to them at or in the neighbourhood of their residence, by the Collector of Customs or Excise.

3d. By extract or permanent remittance bill, at a Dock-yard, where there is an establishment of Pay Clerks.

If they wish to receive it by bill of exchange, they are to give notice thereof, by letter, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, marked, in the corner, "Half-pay, or Retired-pay, Accountant-General," and thereupon the proper form will be sent to them.

If they wish to have it remitted to them, they must give a like notice to the Secretary of the Admiralty, marked in the same manner, and a bill will thereupon be made out and transmitted to them.

In all cases, the Officer signifying his desire of payment is to state at the foot of his letter, his Christian and surnames, his rank, and a full description of his residence.

MEM.—Bills of exchange drawn under or by virtue of the Act of 11 Geo. 4, cap. 20, are not liable to the stamp duty.

No persons residing out of His Majesty's dominions are entitled to the privileges of this Act.

## CONTRACTS FOR PAVIER'S WORK.

ERSONS who may be willing to contract for the performance of the work required by the Honourable Board of Ordnance, in the abovestated branch, in the repair and erection of barracks or other buildings, at the under-mentioned