

CONTRACTS FOR WHEAT AND COCOA.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, Somerset-Place, January 18, 1848.

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 27th 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, the under-mentioned articles, viz.

Wheat, Red, 1500 quarters; half to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards.

Wheat, White, 1500 quarters; half to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards.

Cocoa, 50 tons; half to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards.

The Cocoa to be exempted from the Customs' duties.

Samples of the wheat (not less than two quarts) and of the cocoa (not less than two pounds) must be produced by the parties tendering.

The conditions of the contracts may be seen at the said Office.

No tender will be received after one o'clock on the day of treaty, nor any 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" and must also be delivered at Somerset-place, and those for cocoa must be accompanied by a letter, signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of £25 per cent. on the value, for the due performance of the contract.

East India-House, January 19, 1848:

THE Court of Directors of the East India Company do hereby give notice,

That a Special General Court of the said Company will be held at their House, in Leaden-hall-street, on Wednesday the 2d February next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the desire of nine Proprietors of East India Stock, as expressed in the following letter, viz.

London, January 15, 1848.

To the Chairman and Directors of the East India Company.

Honourable Sirs,

We, the undersigned, Proprietors of East India Stock, duly qualified by law, request that you will convene a Special General Court of

Proprietors, for the purpose of taking into consideration the accompanying resolutions, and that you will be pleased to publish the same with this our requisition.

We have the honour to be;
Honourable Sirs,
your obedient servants,

(Signed) Joseph Hume.
J. Sullivan.
Arthur James Lewis.
Geo. Thompson.
Chas. Grant.
Robt. J. Bagshaw.
Chas. Forbes.
John Poynder.
J. W. Graham.

Resolved—That as the peace and security of our possessions in India depend mainly on the faithful observance of existing treaties, it is most important that the East India Company should maintain all engagements with the Native States with inviolable good faith and honour.

That a treaty of perpetual friendship and alliance between the Honourable East India Company and his Highness Maharaja Pertaub Shean, his heirs and successors, was concluded on the 25th of September 1819, and afterwards duly ratified, by which, in consideration of the antiquity of the House of his Highness the Raja of Sattara, and for State reasons of paramount importance, the British Government agreed to cede, in perpetual sovereignty to him, his heirs and successors, the territory of Sattara, for the maintenance of his family in comfort and dignity.

That his Highness the late Raja, for upwards of seventeen years, governed his country and fulfilled all the conditions of his treaty with the British Government in so exemplary a manner, that, in December 1835, the Court of Directors, unanimously, with the sanction of the Board of Control, sent a sword of honour and a letter to his Highness, which letter was expressed in the following words:—

"Your Highness,

"We have been highly gratified by the information from time to time transmitted to us by our Government, on the subject of your Highness's exemplary fulfilment of the duties of that elevated situation in which it has pleased Providence to place you.

"A course of conduct so suitable to your Highness's exalted station, and so well calculated to promote the prosperity of your dominions and the happiness of your people, as that which you have wisely and uniformly pursued, while it reflects the highest honour on your own character, has imparted to our minds the feelings of unqualified satisfaction and pleasure.

"The liberality also which you have displayed in executing, at your own cost, various public works of great utility, and which has so justly