2392. And George Elliot, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the production of oxides of manganese."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 13th day of October, 1856.

2404. And Thomas Stokes Cressey, of Highstreet, Homerton, in the county of Middlesex, Engineer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in machinery for cutting, hollowing, and backing staves."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 14th day of October, 1856.

2414. And George Collier, of Halifax, in the county of York, Engineer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of piled fabrics."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 16th day of October, 1856.

2423. And Ebenezer Rogers, of Abercarn, in the county of Monmouth, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in apparatus for the decomposition and combustion of fuel."

2424. And Jane Elizabeth Reed, of Southgate, in the county of Middlesex, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "a mixture or compound for the cure of asthma, consumption, and other affections of the chest or lungs."

2430. And John Mc Dowall, of Johnstone, in the county of Renfrew, North Britain, Engineer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in sawing or cutting wood."

2434. And Alfred Vincent Newton, of the Office for Patents, 66, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanical Draughtsman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of tufted pile fabrics."—A communication.

2435. And William Gossage, of Widnes, in the county of Lancaster, Chemist, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of coal-gas used

for illuminating purposes."

As set forth in their respective potitions, all recorded in the said office on the 17th day of October, 1856.

2443. And Leon Joseph Pomme de Mirimonde, Gentleman, of Paris, in the French Empire, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "certain improvements in reducing the friction of axles and axletrees of carriages on railways."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 18th day of October, 1856.

2467. And George Blair, of Leicester, Machinist, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of looped fabrics."

2477. And Alfred Vincent Newton, of the Office for Patents, 66, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanical Draughtsman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "an improvement applicable to the reefing, furling, and unfurling of sails."—A communication.

As set forth in their respective petitions, both recorded in the said office on the 21st day of October, 1856.

And notice is hereby further given, that all persons having an interest in opposing any one of such applications are at liberty to leave particulars in writing of their objections to such application, at the said Office of the Commissioners, within twenty-one days after the date of the Gazette in which this notice is issued.

CONTRACTS FOR RAISINS, TEA, AND TOBACCO.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling, Somerset-House, October 25, 1856.

HE 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 6th November next, 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, Gosport and Plymouth, the undermentioned articles; viz.:

Raisins, 25 tons, Deptford; 15 tons, Gosport; 15 tons, Plymouth; half of each to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Tea, 50,000 lbs., Gosport; 50,000 lbs., Plymouth; half of each to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the

party tendering.

Tobacco, 15 tons, Gosport; 15 tons, Plymouth; half of each to be delivered in three weeks, and the remainder in three weeks afterwards, or earlier if preferred by the party tendering.

Tenders may be made for the whole or any portion of any of the articles, and their lordships reserve to themselves the power, when the tenders are opened, of contracting either for the whole, or for such part thereof only as they may deem fit, or for a greater quantity, or of not contracting for any, and also an unlimited power of selection.

All the articles to be exempted from the Customs' duties, and parties tendering are to state where they

are respectively lying.

Samples of the raisins (not less than 3 lbs. for each port), and of the teu (not less than 2 lbs. for each port), from the bonded warehouse, must be

produced by the parties tendering.

Each tender for tobacco must specify the several trade marks and numbers, and the countries or places of its growth or produce, and a fresh drawn dock sample of each cusk or package for each port must be produced by the parties tendering, and any cask or package that is found not to be of the same mark, number, or quality as the sample tendered and accepted, will be rejected by the officers.

The samples produced by persons whose tenders are not accepted, are requested to be taken away by them immediately after the contracts have been

decided.

No tender will be received unless made on the printed form provided for the purpose, and which may be obtained on application at the said Office, at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth, or to Commander Bevis, conducting the packet service at Liverpool, or to the Collector of Customs at Bristol.

The conditions of the revised contract, to which particular attention is called, may be seen at the said Office, at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth, and at Liverpool and Bristol.

No tender will be received after one o'clock 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 ," and must also be delivered at Somerset-House.