must be produced by the parties tendering, and not an average of different marks or several imports, and any parcel that is found not to be of the same mark or average quality as the samples 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, or to the Officer conducting the Packet Service at Liverpool, or to the Collector of Customs at Bristol.

Particular attention is called to the recent modifications of the conditions of the contracts, which may be seen at the said office, and at Liverpool and Bristol.

No tender will be received after half past 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.

## CONTRACT FOR MARKS OF DISTINCTION,

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling, Somerset-Place. May 3, 1861.

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 23rd instant, at half past 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, all such

MARKS OF DISTINCTION for Petty Officers and Leading Seamen of Her Majesty's Navy,

as shall from time to time be demanded, under a contract for twelve months certain, and further until the expiration of three months' warning.

Patterns of the articles may be seen at the said office, and also at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth.

Particular attention is called to the recent modifications of the conditions of the contract, which may be seen at the said office, and at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth.

No tender will be received unless made on the printed form provided for the purpose, which may obtained on application at the said office, and at the Victualling Yards at Gosport and Plymouth.

No tender will be received after half past 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 Marks of Distinction," and must also be delivered at Somerset-place.

CONTRACT FOR FIRE BRICKS, CLAY, LOAM, AND SAND.

Department of the Storekeeper-General of the Navy, Somerset-Place, April 22, 1861.

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 Tuesday the 28th May next, at two o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying Her Majesty's several Dock Yards, with

Stourbridge, Welsh, and Windsor Fire Bricks, Fire Clay, Loam, and Glass Grinder's Sand.

Samples of the articles may be seen, and form of the tender obtained at the said Office.

No tender will be received after two o'clock on the day of treaty, nor will any be 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 hear in the left-hand corner the words "Tender for Fire Bricks, &c., &c.," and must also be delivered at Somerset-place, accompanied by a letter, signed by a responsible person, engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of £200 for the due performance of the contract.

Office of the Gas Light and Coke Company, Horseferry-Road, Westminster, May 4, 1861.

OTICE is hereby given, that a Special General Court of the Proprietors of this Company will be held, at the Company's Gas Works, Horseferry-road, Westminster, on Friday the 31st day of May instant, pursuant to the Act of the 59th year of His late Majesty King George the Third, for the election of the Directors of this Company for four years, who will then go out of office by efflux of time, and will be then eligible to be re-elected; and, should a ballot be required, it will continue open for four hours from its commencement.

The Chair will be taking at twelve o'clock (noon) precisely.

By order of the Court of Directors, C. Burls, Secretary.

> Metropolitan Counties and General Life Assurance Society, No. 27, Regentstreet, Waterloo-place, London, S.W., 4th May, 1861.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Annual General Meeting of this Society will be held at the Offices, No. 27, Regent-street, Waterlooplace, on Wednesday, the 15th day of May instant, at two o'clock precisely, to receive the report of the Directors of the Society, for the election of three Directors in place of

Edward Vansittart Neale, Esq., Henry Peter Fuller, Esq., and Sin Thomas Newby Reeve

Sir Thomas Newby Reeve, whose period of office will then expire, but who, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly; and for the election of two Auditors in the place of

Henry Peach Buckler, Esq., and John Soper Streeter, Esq., whose period of office will then expire, and who, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly.

> By order of the Board of Directors, F. Ferguson Camroux, Manager,