

CONTRACTS FOR FRESH OX BEEF.

Contract Department, Admiralty,
Somerset House, November 18,
1865.

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 Monday, the 4th of December next, at twelve o'clock at noon, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying (under separate contracts) all such quantities of

FRESH OX BEEF,

as may be demanded for the use of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels at the following places, from the 1st January to the 30th June, 1866, both days included, viz. :—

ENGLAND, &c.

Plymouth (Oxen)
Portsmouth (Oxen)
Sheerness (Oxen)
Berwick
Bradwell
Cowes
Dartmouth
Dover
Deal, and in the Downs
Exmouth
Falmouth
Greenhithe
Gravesend
Hastings
Harwich
Hull, Hawke Roads, and in the Humber
Jersey and Guernsey
Littlehampton
Liverpool
London Bridge to Woolwich, inclusive
Lynton
Milford Haven
Pembroke and Pater
Netley
Newhaven
Penzance
Portland and Portland Roads
Ramsgate
Ryde
Southampton
Swanage
Torquay
Weymouth
Yarmouth (North)

SCOTLAND.

Ardrihaig
Granton
Greenock
Leith, Leith Roads, and Frith of Forth
Queensferry

IRELAND.

Belfast
Galway
Kingstown and Dublin
Killybegs
Kilrush
Lough Foyle
Mill Cove (Berehaven)
Queenstown and Kinsale
Sneem

N.B. The contractors are to supply good, fat, well-fed Ox Beef, as NO HEIFER MEAT will be admitted.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty reserve to themselves an unlimited power of selection in accepting the tenders.

Particular attention is called to the conditions of the Sheerness contract, which is to include supplies to all ships and vessels between Chatham and the Great Nore, both inclusive; also the Naval Barracks at Sheerness.

Parties tendering for Portsmouth, Plymouth, and Sheerness, are to specify in their tenders a rate of 100 lbs. for live oxen, delivered in the usual manner; and also a rate for 100 lbs. for fresh ox beef, delivered in the carcase, should the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty think proper to demand the beef to be delivered in the carcase, instead of live oxen, during any period of the contract; and no attention will be paid to any offers not so made.

Separate tenders must be made for each port, and at a rate per 100 lbs., and no attention will be paid to any offers not so made. Contractors, in claiming payment for supplies of beef, are to make out their invoices in pounds at per 100 lbs.

The cattle for Fulmouth to be slaughtered on the spot, and the cattle for Portland to be slaughtered not further from that port than Weymouth; the Contractor for Portland is also to deliver the meat on board Her Majesty's ships and vessels.

The Contractor for Portland and Weymouth is to reside at Weymouth.

The Contractor for any of the other places is to reside on the spot, or to have an agent resident there.

Conditions of the contracts may be seen in the Lobby of the Department of the Controller of Victualling, Admiralty, Somerset House, W.C.; or by applying to the Superintendents of the Victualling Establishments at Deptford, Gosport, and Plymouth; the Superintendents of Her Majesty's Dock Yards at Woolwich, Chatham, Sheerness, and Pembroke; the Agent for the Victualling at Haubowline; the Officers conducting the Packet Service at Dover, Liverpool, and Southampton; the Secretary to the Postmaster-General, Dublin; to the Collectors of Her Majesty's Customs at Belfast, Berwick, Cowes, Dartmouth, Falmouth, Harwich, Hull, Jersey and Guernsey, Newhaven, Penzance, Ramsgate, Weymouth, Yarmouth, Greenock, Galway, Londonderry (for Lough Foyle); and to the Postmasters at each of the other places.

Forms of tender may also be obtained on application at the Lobby of the Department above mentioned, or to the proper officer at either of the above places.

No tender will be received after twelve o'clock at noon on the day of treaty, nor any noticed unless made on the printed form provided for the purpose; but it will not be necessary that the party tendering, or an Agent appointed by him, should attend at this office, as the result of the offer received from each person will be communicated to him and to his proposed sureties in writing.

Every tender must be delivered at the Department of the Controller of the Victualling, Admiralty, Somerset House, and signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering in the sum of £1,500 for the due performance of each of the contracts of Sheerness, Portsmouth, Plymouth, and Queenstown and Kinsale; and in the sum of £300 for each of the other Contracts.

The Contractors to pay half the amount of the Stamps on their contracts and bonds.