

months after date, viz.:—on the 17th March, 1904.

3. *The Tenders must specify the net amount per cent. which will be given for the amounts applied for, and the Tenders of private individuals must be made through a London Banker.*

4. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

5. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same on Saturday, the 12th instant, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England not later than three o'clock, on Thursday, the 17th instant.

6. The Lords' Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers, 4th September, 1903.

TRANSVAAL NETHERLANDS SOUTH  
AFRICAN RAILWAY COMPANY'S  
SHARES.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies hereby give notice, in pursuance of the notification which appeared in the London Gazette on the 28th of August, that Shareholders of the Netherlands South African Railway Company are required to send in their Share Certificates as soon as possible to the Crown Agents for verification.

Forms for listing the shares can be obtained at the Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, Downing-street, S.W., and No. 1, Tokenhouse-buildings, E.C. The forms must be made out in duplicate, one of which will after examination be returned to the Bank or Agent lodging the shares.

Particulars of the further requirements of the Crown Agents in respect of the ownership of shares will be published at a later date.

London, 8th September, 1903.

TRANSVAAL NETHERLANDS SOUTH  
AFRICAN RAILWAY COMPANY'S  
DEBENTURES.

In pursuance of the notification issued under the instructions of His Majesty's Government on the 30th of May, and advertised in the London Gazette of the 2nd June, the Crown Agents for the Colonies beg to notify, for the information of all concerned, that they will, on the 13th November next, be prepared to purchase the under-mentioned Debenture Bonds of the Netherlands South African Railway Company on the following terms and conditions, viz.:—

For each Four per cent. Debenture Bond for Flor- ins 1,000, or Marks 1,690, with all unpaid Coupons attached.	} Issue of 1897, at Florins 1,128, at Marks 1,906.32.
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Payment will be made in London in sterling, at the cheque rate of exchange of Amsterdam on London ruling on the 6th November next.

Bondholders who fail to accept this offer, and who do not surrender their bonds on the 13th November, or on such later date as the Crown Agents may authorize in special cases, will receive no further consideration from either His Majesty's Government or the Government of the Transvaal.

The Crown Agents cannot undertake to repay the bonds through the post. Foreign or country holders should therefore cause their bonds to

be presented through the London agents of their bankers. In the case, however, of bondholders who may desire to receive payment in florins in Amsterdam, or in marks in Berlin, they can deposit their bonds for payment at the office of the Netherlands Trading Society, in Amsterdam, or at Messrs. Mendelssohn and Company, in Berlin, respectively, provided that the deposit is made not later than the 30th October next.

Forms for listing the bonds, which must be sent in with all unpaid coupons attached, can be obtained at the Office of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, Downing-street, S.W., and No. 1, Tokenhouse-buildings, E.C. The form, with the debentures and coupons, must be left seven clear days for examination at the Office of the Crown Agents in Downing-street.

London, 8th September, 1903.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

(Nos. 704 to 711 of the year 1903.)

[The bearings are magnetic, and those concerning the visibility of lights are given from seaward.]

ENGLAND, EAST COAST—THE DOWNS.

Ramsgate Harbour—Regulations and Signals for Entry and Departure.

Information, dated 24th August, 1903, has been received from the Board of Trade that the following regulations are to be observed by vessels proceeding into or out of Ramsgate Harbour, the undermentioned signals being made at the flagstaff of the watch-house on the East Pier to enable them to do so:—

1. An arm shown from the flagstaff, and a bell rung several times in quick succession during the day, and at night a bell only, rung in a similar manner, indicates that a vessel or vessels are about to enter the harbour. When these signals are made all outgoing vessels must avoid the entrance and delay their departure until it is clear.

2. Two black balls by day or a red fixed light by night at the flagstaff head denotes that vessels should not enter or approach the harbour, the entrance not being clear.

3. Each steam vessel will be signalled to enter the harbour in the order of arrival, the House flag of the company or owner being hoisted at the flagstaff as permission to do so. Other outgoing steam vessels must remain outside, allowing sufficient room for the departure of vessels from the landing stage.

4. Except by permission from the Harbour Master, not more than one steamer is allowed alongside the landing stage at the same time for the purpose of landing or embarking passengers.

Approximate position, lat. 51° 20' N., long. 1° 25' E.

This Notice affects Channel Pilot, Part I, 1900, page 349.

No. 705.—ITALY, WEST COAST—GULF OF NAPLES.

Port Castellumare—Permanent Light Re-Exhibited.

With reference to Notice to Mariners No. 517 of 1903:—

The Italian Government has given further notice, dated 22nd August, 1903, that the permanent light (white fixed and flashing) on the mole at Port Castellumare has been re-exhibited after repairs, and the temporary white fixed light discontinued.