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NAVY DEPARTMENT,
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June 24, 1865.

PROPOSALS for MATERIALS for the NAVY.—SEALED PROPOSALS to furnish materials for the Navy for the fiscal year ending 30th JUNE, 1866, will be received at the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting until 10 o'clock a. m. of the 25th day of JULY next, at which time the opening will be commenced.

The materials and articles embraced in the classes named are particularly described in the printed schedules, any of which will be furnished to such persons as desire to offer, on application to the Commandants of the respective Navy-Yards, and those of all the Yards, upon application to the Bureau.

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20. Brushes.
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23. Hardware.
24. Ship Chandlery.
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Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 20, 22, 24, 29, 31, 40.
WASHINGTON.
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 15, 22, 24, 29, 34.
NORFOLK.
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 20, 22, 24, 25, 27, 31.

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR,
June 15, 1865.

PROPOSALS for TIMBER and MATERIALS for the NAVY.—SEALED PROPOSALS to furnish Timber and Materials for the Navy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1866, will be received at the Bureau of Construction and Repair, until 12 o'clock m. of the 15th day of JULY next, at which time the opening will commence.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for Timber and Materials for the Navy," that they may be distinguished from other business letters, and addressed to the Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair.

The articles and articles embraced in the classes named are particularly described in the printed schedules, any of which will be furnished to such as desire to offer, on application to the Commandants of the respective yards, or to the Navy Agent nearest thereto, and those of all the yards, upon application to the Bureau.

The Commandant of each Navy Yard will inform bidders of the quantities of each article, where the stores are variable.

This division into classes being for the convenience of dealers in each, such classes only will be furnished as are actually required for bids. The Commandant and Navy Agent for each station will, in addition to the schedules of classes of their own yards, have a copy of the schedules of the other yards for examination only, from which may be judged what articles it will be desirable to make application for out of the classes of those yards. All other things being equal, preference will be given to articles of American manufacture.

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5. White oak boards.
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7. Yellow pine beams.
8. Yellow pine mast and spar timber.
9. White pine deck plank.
10. White pine mast timber.
11. White pine logs, plank and boards.
12. Hackmatack timber.
13. Ash logs and planks.
14. Ash oars.
15. Hickory bolts and bars.
16. Black walnut and cherry.
17. Cedar and cypress boards.
18. Locust timber.
19. White oak staves and headings.
20. Black spruce.
21. Locust treenails.
22. Mahogany.
23. Lignumvitæ.
25. Iron, round, flat and square.
26. Steel.
27. Iron spikes.
28. Iron nails; wrought and cut.
29. Pig iron.
30. Lead.
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33. Hardware.
34. Tools for caulkers.
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37. Zinc paints.
38. Colored paints, dryers, &c.
39. Varnish.
40. Linseed oil.
41. Glass.
42. Brushes.
44. Fish oil.
45. Tallow, soap and sweet oil.
46. Junk.
47. Ship chandlery.
48. Oakum.
49. Tank iron.
50. Ingot copper.
52. Poles.
53. Hollows.

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Nos. 1, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 45, 47, 48, 50.
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Nos. 1, 6, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 47, 49, 50, 52, 53.
NORFOLK.
Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47.

TO CAPITALISTS!

PROPOSALS FOR GAS!
FOR THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,
June 1, 1865.

In compliance with the provisions of a resolution passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, at a meeting held at its Chamber, on the 29th day of May, A. D., 1865, which resolution reads as follows, to wit:

"*Resolved*, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for proposals for lighting the City of Indianapolis with gas, and for furnishing the citizens thereof with gas, for the period of TWENTY YEARS, from and after the third day of March, 1866; and that he cause proper advertisements to be inserted in the official city paper, and in one public newspaper in each of the cities of Cincinnati, New-York, Boston and Philadelphia."

I, CYRUS S. BUTTERFIELD, Clerk of the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, hereby give notice that sealed proposals will be received at this office, Room No. 9, Glenn's Block, for the Common Council of said City, on or before the fourth day of September, 1865, for lighting the said City of Indianapolis with gas, and for furnishing the citizens thereof with gas, for the period of twenty (20) years, from and after the third day of March, A. D., 1866.

Proposals must be accompanied with the names of the proposed security.

Persons desiring to bid can procure copies of the ordinance regulating the lighting of the City with gas, by addressing the City Clerk.

By direction of the Common Council.
CYRUS S. BUTTERFIELD,
Clerk City of Indianapolis.

Proposals.

OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE,
No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 3, 1865.

ARMY SUPPLIES.—Sealed Proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock on THURSDAY, the 13th inst., for furnishing by contract, in such quantities from time to time as may be required, for the use of this Depot until the 1st of May, 1866, the following articles:

Nails, kegs, 10d and 12d.
Lamp Oil, gallon, Sperm.
Box Chisels.
Box Scrapers.
Wooden Mallets, iron bound.
Nail Hammers.
Marking Pots.
Marking Brushes, assorted.
Trucks, Nos. 3 and 5.
Bailing Twine.
Brass Lanterns, for oil.
Corn Brooms.

Further information can be had by applying at this office.

Bonds will be required of the successful bidder for the faithful performance of a contract.

The United States reserve the right to reject any part or the whole of a bid, as may be deemed necessary for the interest of the service.

Proposals will be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing Hardware," and addressed to
Col. D. H. VINTON, D. Q. M. Gen. U. S. A.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, June 26, 1865.

PROPOSALS for MAIL-STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES and BRAZIL.—In accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved May 26, 1864, which is in the words following, to wit:

"An Act to authorize the establishment of ocean mail-steamship service between the United States and Brazil."

"*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized to unite with the General Post-Office Department of the Empire of Brazil, or such officer of the Government of Brazil as shall be authorized to act for that Government, in establishing direct mail communication between the two countries by means of a monthly line of first-class American sea-going steamships, to be of not less than two thousand tons burden each, and of sufficient number to perform twelve round trips or voyages per annum between a port in the United States, north of the Potomac River, and Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, touching at Saint Thomas, in the West Indies, at Bahia, Pernambuco, and such other Brazilian and intermediate port or ports as shall be considered necessary and expedient: *Provided*, That the expense of the service shall be divided between the two Governments, and that the United States portion thereof shall not exceed the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the performance of twelve round trips per annum, to be paid out of any money appropriated for the service of the Post Office Department.

"SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby authorized to invite proposals for said mail steamship service by public advertisement for the period of sixty days, in one or more newspapers published in the cities of Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New-York and Boston, respectively, and to contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the same for the term of ten years, to commence from the day the first steamship of the proposed line shall depart from the United States with the mails for Brazil: *Provided*, That proposals for monthly trips—that is to say, for twelve round voyages per annum, out and back—are received and accepted by him within the limit as aforesaid, from a party or parties of undoubted responsibility, possessing ample ability to furnish the steamships required for the service, and offering good and sufficient security for the faithful performance of such contract: *And provided, further*, That such proposals shall be accepted by the Government of Brazil, and that distinct and separate contracts with each Government, containing similar provisions, shall be executed by such accepted bidder or bidders; each Government to be responsible only for its proportion of the subsidy to be paid for the service.

"SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That any contract which the Postmaster-General may execute under the authority of this act shall provide that on or before the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and shall, in addition to the usual stipulations of ocean mail steamship contracts, provide that the ground-ships ordered for the service shall be constructed of the best materials and after the most approved models, with all the modern improvements adapted for sea going steamships of the first class; and shall, before their approval and acceptance by the Postmaster-General, be subject to inspection and survey by an experienced naval constructor, to be detailed for that purpose by the Secretary of the Navy, whose report shall be made to the Postmaster-General; that the Navy Department shall be entitled to have transported, free of expense, on each and every steamer, a mail agent to take charge of and arrange the mail matter, to whom shall be accorded such facilities as the purpose shall be assigned; that in case of inability from any cause to perform any of the regular monthly voyages stipulated for in the contract, a pro rata reduction shall be made from the compensation on account of such omitted voyages; that suitable fines and penalties may be imposed for delays and irregularities in the regular performance of the service according to contract; and that the Postmaster-General shall have the power to determine the contract at any time, in case of its being underlet or assigned to any other party.

"SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the mail steamships employed in the service authorized by this act shall be exempt from all port charges and customs-house dues of the port of departure and arrival in the United States: *Provided*, That a similar immunity from port charges and custom-house dues is granted by the Government of Brazil.

"Approved May 26, 1864."

PROPOSALS

Will be received at the Post Office Department, in the City of Washington, until 3 o'clock p. m. of Monday the Twenty-eighth day of August, 1865, for conveying the mails of the United States by a monthly line of first class American sea-going steamships of not less than two thousand tons burden each, and of sufficient number to perform twelve round voyages per annum, between a port of the United States north of the Potomac River and Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, touching at St. Thomas, in the West Indies, and at Bahia and Pernambuco, in Brazil, for a contract term of ten years, to commence on or before the 1st day of September, 1865, and to continue from the first steamship of such line shall leave the United States with the mails for Brazil.

Bidders must designate the United States port of departure and arrival, and may, at their option, propose to embrace additional intermediate ports at which the steamships shall touch on their outward or homeward passages, to deliver and receive mails.

Each bid should state the time proposed to be occupied in performing the passages each way, between the United States port of departure and arrival and Rio de Janeiro, and should be accompanied by a map or diagram of the route, showing the intermediate ports at which the steamships are to call to deliver and receive mails. Schedules of the sailing days, stating the proposed days and hours of departure from each port, as well as the proposed days and hours of arrival, should also accompany each bid; such schedules, however, to be subject to the approval of the Post Departments of the respective countries, and to alteration by such Departments from time to time, as the interests of the proposed international postal service may require.

The steamships offered for this service must be American citizens of the first class, and before acceptance will be subject to inspection and survey by an experienced naval constructor to be detailed for that purpose by the Secretary of the Navy.

Proposals must conform in all respects to the provisions and requirements of the act of Congress, approved May 26, 1864, and must be properly guaranteed, with a satisfactory testimonial of the guarantors as to their ability to make good their guarantee. The bidder's name and residence, and the name of each member of the firm, when a company offers, should be distinctly stated in the proposal.

The acceptance or non-acceptance of the bids will be determined by the Postmaster-General as soon as practicable after the time limited for their reception, but no proposal can be accepted by this Department unless the bidder is also accepted by the Government of Brazil, as provided for in the aforesaid act. And in case of such joint acceptance, distinct and separate contracts are to be executed by the accepted bidder or bidders with each Government, containing similar provisions, each Government to be responsible only for its proportion of the subsidy to be paid for the service.

Proposals should be sent, under seal, to "The First Assistant Postmaster-General," "Foreign Desk," with the words "*Mail Proposals*"—"*Foreign Mails*" written on the face of the address; and they should be dispatched in time to be received by or before the twenty-eighth day of August next, which will be the last day for receiving proposals under this advertisement.
WILLIAM DENNISON,
Postmaster-General.

NOTE.—This Department is not advised that any definite action has yet been taken by the Government of Brazil in respect to the establishment of the proposed steamship service between the two countries.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE, No. 4 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK, June 29, 1865.

SEALED PROPOSALS (in triplicate) will be received by the undersigned at this office, until 4 o'clock p. m. on WEDNESDAY, the 5th proximo, for supplying the articles enumerated below, for this office, from the 16th of July, 1865, to the 16th of January, 1866. Every article estimated for must be genuine, of the best quality of its kind, and equal in every respect to samples to be seen at this office. Samples to accompany each proposal:

Cap Paper—ruled, to weigh not less than 12 lb. to the ream.
Letter