

CONTRACT No. 51.

FISH-PLATE BOLTS AND NUTS.—For the supply of 35 tons of fish-plate bolts and nuts, delivered at Fort William. The specification required the bolts and nuts to be made from the best refined iron, the bolts to be $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches long by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch diameter, having square necks and cup-shaped heads, and screwed for a length of 2 inches; nuts to be $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches square by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick, the whole dipped in linseed oil and packed in strong iron-bound cases of two cwt. each.

Manufacturers..... Domintion Bolt Co.
Date of contract..... 5th September, 1879.
Date for completion..... 1st October, 1879.

The quantity delivered and the prices are as follows:—

Bolts and nuts— $35\frac{1}{2}$ tons (2,240 lbs.) @ \$75..... \$2,662 50.
This contract has been completed.

CONTRACT No. 52.

TRANSPORTATION OF RAILS.—From Montreal to Fort William. The contract includes the receiving of the rails, and fastenings from the Ocean steamer's tackle at Montreal, harbor dues at Montreal, canal tolls, insurance and all charges for loading, unloading, and piling at point of delivery.

Name of contractors..... North-West Transportation Co.
Date of contract..... 30th September, 1879.
Date for completion..... During navigation of 1880.

Estimated amount of contract..... 4,000 (2,240 lbs.) @ \$=6\$24,000.
Amount paid on account..... \$15,084.

CONTRACT No. 53.*

RAILS.—For the supply of 30,000 tons of steel rails, with the proportionate quantity of steel fish-plates and bolts and nuts, delivered at Montreal. The specification require the rails to be of the section known as the Canadian Pacific Railway Standard; weight of rail to be $57\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. per yard, general length of rails to be 30, 28, 26 and 24 feet, but 10 per cent. will be received in shorter lengths (22, 20, 19 and 18 feet, in about equal proportion); bolt holes to be drilled (not punched). Rails to be inspected during the whole course of manufacture, and subject to the tests provided in specification.

The fish-plates to be of a section to fit the Canadian Pacific Standard rail, of a similar quality of tough mild steel, subject to such tests as may be required. Each fish-plate to be 20 inches long, punched hot, with four holes, and otherwise made due to template.

The bolts $\frac{3}{4}$ in. diameter, $3\frac{3}{4}$ in. long, to be made with cup-heads and square necks; iron to be of a tough, fibrous quality; workmanship and finish of the best description; threads of screws to be Whitworth's standard, ten to the inch. Bolts and nuts to be heated and dipped to prevent rusting, and packed in strong iron-bound cases, to contain not over 2 cwt.

Manufacturers..... Barrow Hematite Steel Co. (Limited).
Date of contract..... 30th August, 1879.

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