

THE SPECIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS,

To which the Tenders for supplying the Stratford and Moreton Rail Way Company with patent malleable Iron Rails and Cast-iron Chairs are to be subject.

I. All Tenders to be made by Principals or their accredited Agents, and the Contractors to enter into a bond, under a penalty of ten per cent, on the amount of the Contract, for the fulfilment of their agreement, according to the following conditions and specifications.

II. Each malleable iron Rail must be fifteen feet in length, straight on the top edges, and the ends all fitted to a joint, and weigh one hundred and fifty pounds each; to have holes every three feet, each hole three eights of an inch in diameter, to fit to the holes in the sample cast-iron Chairs, which, together with a sample Rail and a drawing of a pair of Rolls, full size, will be delivered to the Contractor, the same as the Patentees themselves make use of in rolling Rails, and every other information which has been obtained from the patentees, for manufacturing such Rails.

III. The cast-iron Chairs to be made exactly to the sample Chair that will be delivered to the Contractor, and must weigh six pounds each; they must be well dressed and the holes perfectly correct both as to size and situation.

IV. No allowance will be made for any extra weight in either the Rails or the Chairs.

V. The malleable iron Rails to be made from scraps, or from good Bar Iron, faggotted and re-manufactured, and the cast-iron Chairs to be made of the best second melting Pigs, re-melted in the Cupola or the Air Furnace; the Company to have the power to send an occasional inspector, to see that the materials made use of are those agreed for.

VI. The Contractors to take back all the Rails and Chairs that may be broken in the proving, or that may be found to have any apparent defect within three months after being laid down and proved, and replaced the same free of any expense to the Company of back carriage, or re-delivery at Stratford-on-Avon.

VII. The Rails and Chairs to be proved as laid down by a four wheel Carriage loaded to fourteen Tons, moving upon them at the rate of from one to three miles per hour; the wheels being four feet from centre to centre; and to prove that the Rails and Chairs are sufficiently strong to carry fourteen Tons with perfect safety, an hundred yards in length will be laid down, at the Company's expense, for the satisfaction of the Contractor.

VIII. One Hundred Tons of malleable iron Rails, and twenty Tons of cast-iron Chairs, to be delivered upon the wharf of the Canal Basin, at Stratford-upon-Avon, on or before the fourteenth day of May, 1823; and one hundred Tons of malleable iron Rails, and twenty Tons of cast-iron Chairs, to be delivered every month afterwards, till the whole quantity to be contracted for, of nine hundred Tons of Rails, and one hundred and eighty Tons of Chairs, shall be delivered; the Company reserving to themselves the right of increasing the Contract, (on giving two months' notice before delivery of the last lot) to any number of Tons above the nine hundred, but not exceeding twelve hundred Tons for Rails; and to any number of Tons above one hundred and eighty, but not exceeding two hundred and forty Tons for the Chair; the additional number of Tons of Rails and Chairs to be supplied to the Company at the same price, and subject to the same conditions as the quantity contracted for.

IX. No Tender will be received that does not comply in all respects with the above conditions, nor in which the lowest price per Ton, delivered upon the Wharf of the Canal Basin, at Stratford-upon-Avon, is not stated in words at length, as there will be no opportunity of making any abatement.

X. Payment will be made to the amount of each lot in cash, seven days after delivery at Stratford-upon-Avon, as aforesaid.

XI. The contract for the Rails and Chairs will be sent separately, and must be separately tendered for.

XII. The Committee will meet at the Royal Hotel, in Birmingham at Eleven o'clock of Wednesday, the Second day of April, 1823; and request that all persons who may wish to contract for the Rails or Chairs will deliver in their Tenders before Eleven o'clock, (as no Tender will be received that is not delivered in before that hour), addressed, under Seal, to the Chairman of the Committee of the Stratford and Moreton Railway Company, at the Royal Hotel, Birmingham and marked - *Tender for Malleable Iron Rails*, or - *Tender of Cast Iron Chairs*, and the Contractors must be prepared to name their Sureties, as the Contracts will be immediately entered into.

A Sample Malleable Iron Rail and a Sample Cast Iron Chair, may be seen at the Royal Hotel, Birmingham; the Lion Inn, Wolverhampton; the Hotel, Dudley; the Talbot Inn, Stourbridge; and at Mr. Hodgkinson's Engineer, Stratford-upon-Avon.

Specifications and every other Particular may be had by applying to

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