RETURN

To an Order of the House for copies of all Tenders received by the Lands and Works Department and Resident Engineer, for the supply of Stone for the Esquimalt Dock, since the 1st July, 1882; also copies of all Correspondence relating thereto, together with a copy of the Specifications; and also copies of all Tenders received by the Lands and Works Department and Resident Engineer for the conveyance of stone from the Salt Spring Island and Newcastle Quarries; also a copy of the Specification and all Correspondence relating thereto.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 14th March, 1883.

Return of Correspondence relating to Tenders for Stone.

DATE.	NAME.	PURPORT.
31st July, 1882	A. S. Farwell	Tender for stone.
Do.	Do.	Letter explaining why samples were not sent in.
30th August, 1882	Robert Beaven	Returning cheque (Farwell's) deposited with tender.
2nd September, 1882	A. S. Farwell	Cheque receipted for.
8th August, 1882	R. Beaven	Telegram enquiring why no tenders from Nanaimo.
Do.	M. Bray	In reply to telegram.
2nd September, 1882	T. Pamphlet	Tender for Stone, etc.
Copy of Specification for Stone:—		
17th July, 1882	R. Beaven	Instructions to call for tenders.

List of Correspondence relating to Carriage of Stone.

DATE.	NAME.	PURPORT.
20th August, 1882	J. W. McKay	Tender for carriage of Stone.
2nd September, 1882	Thos. Pamphlet	Do. do.
18th Do.	J. W. McKay	Withdrawing tender for reasons stated.
7th Do.	H. Saunders	Tender for carriage of Stone.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

TENDER FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

Name of Proposed Work, Supply of Sandstone at the Dry Dock, Esquimalt.

I, Arthur Stanhope Farwell, hereby agree to do all the Work set forth in certain Specifications exhibited at the Office of Lands and Works, Victoria, and in accordance

with said Specifications, to the entire satisfaction of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and to find all the necessary plant, labour, and material, for the price of Ten Thousand ($10,000) Dollars, or fifty (50) cents per cubic foot.

Name of Contractor, A. S. FARWELL,

Address of Contractor, Boomerang Hotel, Victoria, B. C.

Date, Victoria, B. C., July 31st, 1882.

I hereby enclose a certified cheque for One thousand dollars ($1,000.)

A. S. FARWELL.

To accompany Tender for "Supply of Sandstone at Dry Dock, Esquimalt."

BOOMERANG HOTEL, July 31st, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that I have not deposited a sample of the sandstone I propose to supply with the Resident Engineer, at Esquimalt. I deemed such a course unnecessary, having leased the quarry from which all the stone used in the construction of the East Quay Wall of the Esquimalt Dock has been obtained.

The sandstone I propose to deliver will be taken from the same quarry, which is situate on Salt Spring Island, on Stuart's Channel.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) A. S. FARWELL.

The Honourable
The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria.

LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT,
Victoria, B. C., August 30th, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to return cheque No. B96485, Bank of B. N. America, for $1,000, enclosed with your tender of 31st of July last, for the supply of sandstone for Graving Dock purposes.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) ROBERT BEAVEN,
C. C. L. & W., Victoria, B. C.

A. S. FARWELL,
Victoria, B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C., September 2nd, 1882.

Received from Robert Beaven, cheque on the Bank of British North America for One Thousand Dollars, No. B96485, dated 31st July, 1882, deposited with Tender for Stone.

(Signed) A. S. FARWELL.

VICTORIA, 8th August, 1882.

M. BRAY, Nanaimo.

Can you explain why a Tender for Sandstone has not been sent in from Nanaimo.

(Signed) ROBERT BEAVEN.

NANAIMO, B. C., August 8th, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of to-day with regard to there being no tender sent in for sandstone from Nanaimo. I cannot explain the reason; three different parties had the specifications, and I thought some of them had forwarded their tenders to the Lands and Works Department, Victoria. The work was advertised in the *Free Press* at the time you sent me instructions to do so.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) MARSHAL BRAY,
Government Agent.

HON. R. BEAVEN,
C. C. L. & W., Victoria, B. C.

September 2nd, 1882.

SIR,—Having been requested by the Resident Engineer of the Esquimalt Graving Dock to put in a tender for the supply of stone required, I beg to submit the following:

I will supply the stone and land it at the wharf at 40 cents per cubic foot. I will carry it from the quarry, delivered on board to me, and land it on the wharf at the works at 14½ cents per cubic foot.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. PAMPHLET.

To the Honourable
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C.

ESQUIMALT GRAVING DOCK.

TENDER FOR SANDSTONE.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Sandstone," will be received by the undersigned, at the Lands and Works Department, Victoria, up to noon of Monday the 31st day of July, instant, for the supply of 20,000 cubic feet of Sandstone, which quantity is to be increased or decreased at the option of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Samples of the Sandstone (with the location of the quarry stated) must be deposited by the contractor at the office of the Resident Engineer, at Esquimalt, for his approval previous to the tender being sent in.

The neat sizes of the various blocks will be found hereto attached. The contractor is to supply the stone, quarry scabbled in such sizes as may be from time to time ordered by the Resident Engineer, so that there may be as little waste as possible in dressing the stone to the dimensions required.

The contractor will be required to commence the delivery of the stone immediately on being notified by the Resident Engineer to do so, and he is to continue delivering the same from time to time, in such quantities as may be demanded on the written order of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, or the Resident Engineer, with the particular view that the works be not delayed for want of adequate supplies.

The whole of the sandstone is to be of the hardest, most compact and durable quality known, and capable of resisting exposure to the atmosphere, and to alternations of wet and dry.

The contractor must be careful to work the stones to their natural bed; any stones which are at all shaky, or which fail to measure their intended full scantlings will be rejected.

The contractor in his tender is to quote a price of the stones per cubic foot delivered alongside the wharf abreast of the works.

Payments will be made monthly, at the discretion of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, after a certificate has been issued by the Resident Engineer that the stone has been approved of.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Bank cheque, payable to the order of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, to the amount of ten per cent. of the sum tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for to the entire satisfaction of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

In accordance with the existing resolution of the House of Assembly relating to the construction of public works in the Province, the contractor shall not, directly or indirectly, employ Chinese upon, about, or in connection with the works, and in the event of his so doing the Government will not be responsible for the payment of his contract. Therefore the contractor is not to employ Chinese in the quarrying or delivering stone at Esquimalt.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

LANDS AND WORKS OFFICE,
Victoria, B. C., July 17th, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to request that you will hand the enclosed notice (for insertion) to the editor of the Nanaimo *Free Press*, and forward all tenders that may be

received to this Department without delay. Specifications enclosed for inspection in your office.

I have, &c.,

M. BRAY, (Signed) W. S. GORE,
Government Agent, Nanaimo. *Surveyor-General.*

P. S.—Be good enough to return the Specifications to this office at the expiration of the time for receiving tenders.

W. S. G.

CARRIAGE OF STONE.

VICTORIA, B. C., 20th August, 1882.

W. BENNETT, Esquire, C. E., Dry Dock, Esquimalt.

SIR,—Having learned that you will probably have some 10,000 tons of stone to be carried from Vesuvius Bay, Salt Spring Island, to the site of the Dry Dock now being constructed at Esquimalt, I beg to tender my services to carry the above mentioned stone between the places as stated above, receiving the same from your quarrymen at the hatchway and delivering it on the Dock site, at the rate of $1.25 per ton of 2,240 lbs.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. W. MCKAY.

September 2nd, 1882.

SIR,—Having been requested by the Resident Engineer of the Esquimalt Graving Dock to put in a tender for the supply of stone required, I beg to submit the following:

I will supply the stone and land it at the works for 40 cents per cubic foot, or I will carry it from the quarry delivered on board to me and land it on the wharf at the works at 14½ cents per cubic foot.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) T. PAMPHLET.

To the Honourable
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

VICTORIA, B. C., September 18th, 1882.

WILLIAM BENNETT, Esquire.

SIR,—I regret very much to be obliged to inform you that I cannot find the bonds required by the Government in *re* my offer of the 30th ult., to carry building stone from Vesuvius Bay and to deliver it at the Cofferdam, Esquimalt Dry Dock.

The price at which I offered is considered too low, and I have so far failed to get responsible persons to stand security for me to the Government.

I am very sorry to have given you the trouble of taking my offer into consideration.

If the Government would entertain my offer of $1.75 per ton of 2,240 lbs., the necessary bonds might be more readily forthcoming.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. W. MCKAY.

P. S.—If the information is of any service to you I can tell you of the sources on which I had depended for the necessary means of transport.

(Signed) J. W. MCKAY.

VICTORIA, B. C., September 7th, 1882.

W. BENNETT, Esquire, Resident Engineer, Dry Dock, Esquimalt.

SIR,—I beg respectfully to tender for the freighting of stone from Vesuvius Bay, Salt Spring Island, to the Dry Dock, at Esquimalt, with the schooner "Bonanza," as under:

To freight the stone and land it on the wharf at Esquimalt, at $2.45 per ton measurement. The stone to be put on board the schooner at Vesuvius Bay; also, if allowed the same number of tons that the schooner carries of coal, then at the rate of $1.95 per ton.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) H. SAUNDERS,
Agent "Bonanza."