

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, per Quarter, of 8 Bushels, Imperial Measure,* as received from the Inspectors of Corn Returns, in the Week ended 4th April 1903, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BRITISH CORN.				QUANTITIES SOLD.		AVERAGE PRICE.	
				Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.
Wheat	...	...	...	44,169	2	25	3
Barley	...	...	...	22,380	1	22	6
Oats	...	...	...	19,275	4	17	0

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1896 to 1902.

Corresponding Week in	QUANTITIES SOLD.						AVERAGE PRICE.					
	WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.		WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.	
	Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
1896 ...	25,350	5	12,827	5	8,659	2	24	6	21	0	13	1
1897 ...	41,278	7	17,694	0	8,747	5	27	8	22	7	16	6
1898 ...	45,297	6	8,357	5	9,184	6	35	2	27	0	17	11
1899 ...	51,818	2	12,821	6	10,397	7	24	7	25	1	16	11
1900 ...	67,743	7	20,402	5	13,757	3	25	10	24	10	17	2
1901 ...	42,721	7	14,647	5	11,776	3	26	3	25	3	18	0
1902 ...	31,277	3	7,008	1	5,994	4	27	3	26	5	20	6

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, provides that where returns of purchases of British Corn are made to the Local Inspector of Corn Returns in any other measure than the imperial bushel, or by weight or by a weighed measure, that Officer shall convert such returns into the imperial bushel, and in the case of weight or weighed measure the conversion is to be made at the rate of sixty imperial pounds for every bushel of wheat, fifty imperial pounds for every bushel of barley, and thirty-nine imperial pounds for every bushel of oats.

P. G. CRAIGIE.

Board of Agriculture, 3 St. James' Square, London, S.W.,

April 4, 1903.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

April 7, 1903.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Assistant Clerks (Abstractors) in Departments of the Civil Service, will be held in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin, commencing on the 29th July 1903, under the Regulations dated the 19th September 1902, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

The number of situations to be filled will be not fewer than the number vacant at the time of the Examination.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 9th July, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

April 7, 1903.

The following Candidates have been certified by the Civil Service Commissioners as qualified

for the appointments set against their respective names:—

April 2, 1903.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Customs: Assistant of Customs—James Nisbet.

Post Office: Female Learner, London—Constance Edith Jackson.

Male Learner, Belfast—Michael Joseph Killen.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Admiralty: Pensioner Writer in His Majesty's Naval Establishments—Benjamin Winsor.

Board of Trade: Messenger and Out-door Officer in a Mercantile Marine Office—Richard John Chandler.

Prison Department, England: Assistant Matron—Eliza Gale.

Prison Department, Scotland: Female Warder—Rachel Martin.

Post Office: Postmen, London—John Michael Donovan, William Archibald Richardson.