

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1874 to 1877.

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.
1874 ... ..	55,528	2	70,406	3	5,141	1	62	6	46	2	27	2
1875 ... ..	67,082	6	58,621	2	3,328	0	44	6	45	6	29	1
1876 ... ..	43,412	3	63,294	4	3,945	2	44	7	34	3	23	10
1877 ... ..	34,063	4	59,237	7	4,478	0	51	3	39	0	24	8

R. GIFFEN,  
Comptroller of Corn Returns.

Statistical and Corn Department, Board of Trade,  
January 12, 1878.

**I**NTIMATION is hereby given, in terms of an Interlocutor by the Lords of Council and Session, Commissioners for the Plantation of Kirks and Valuation of Teinds, dated 14th January 1878, and pursuant to the Statute 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 44, that a Petition has been presented to their Lordships for and in name of ALEXANDER HUNTER, Joiner, South Beach, Troon, and Others, Contributors to the Endowment of the Church and proposed new Parish *quoad sacra* of Troon, situated within the Presbytery of Ayr, praying their Lordships, in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the Acts of Parliament therein recited, to Decern and Erect the said Church into a PARISH CHURCH in connection with the Church of Scotland, and to Mark out and Designate the District specially set forth in the said Petition, which District is situated in the Parish of Dundonald, or such other District as their Lordships shall see fit, as the District to be attached *quoad sacra* to Troon Church aforesaid; and to Disjoin the said Church and District *quoad sacra* from the said Parish of Dundonald, to which the same now belongs; and to Erect such Church and District into a Church and Parish *quoad sacra* in connection with the Church of Scotland, to be called THE CHURCH AND PARISH OF TROON; and to Find and Declare that the Reverend James Fleming, the present Minister of said Church, shall be the first Minister of said Church and Parish so to be erected; and to Find and Declare that the Minister and Elders of said Church and Parish so to be erected shall have and enjoy the status, and all the powers, rights, and privileges of a Parish Minister and Elders in connection with the Church of Scotland; and to Find and Declare that, upon the said Church at Troon and District to be attached thereto being erected into a Church and Parish *quoad sacra*, in terms of the foregoing cravings, the election and appointment of the Minister thereto shall be thereafter made in accordance with the provisions of the Act 37 and 38 Victoria, cap. 82, as pointed out by the 15th Article of the Deed of Constitution mentioned in the said Petition; but always under reservation of the right of the Presbytery of the bounds to present to the said Church *jure devoluto*, according to law, and as provided in the said Act 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 44; and to Find, Decern, and Declare in the premises, in terms of the foregoing cravings, or in such other terms as to their Lordships shall seem meet, as the said Petition in itself more fully bears: And Intimation is hereby further given that, agreeably to the appointment in said Interlocutor, the Petitioners have lodged printed copies of the said Petition with the Session Clerk of the said Parish of Dundonald, and with the Minister of Troon Church aforesaid, for the use of such parties interested as may apply for the same.

JOHN STUART, W.S.,  
Agent for the Petitioners.

16 Northumberland Street, Edinburgh,  
17th January 1878.

## EUROPEAN SOCIETY ARBITRATION.

BRITISH NATION FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

**A** FIRST and final Return of 10s. 9d. per share to the Contributories, in respect of the call of £1, 14s. per share made by Order of 10th April 1877, is now in course of payment.

By Order of the Arbitrator,

SAMUEL LOWELL PRICE,

JOHN YOUNG,

Joint Official Liquidator.

European Society Arbitration Offices,  
3 Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, S.W.,  
10th January 1878.

**N**OTICE is hereby given that William Brown, presently of No. 62 Buchanan Street, Glasgow, a Partner of the Firm of BROWN, M'LAREN, & COMPANY, sometime Carpet Manufacturers in Kilmarnock, has presented an Application to the Sheriff of the County of Ayr, narrating that the Estates of said Firm of Brown, M'Laren, & Company, and Partners thereof, were Sequestered on the 18th day of March 1874, in terms of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act, 1856, and Acts explaining or amending the same, that a Trustee was duly appointed, that more than two years have elapsed since the date of Deliverance actually awarding Sequestration, and producing a report by the Trustee on the conduct of the Bankrupt, in terms of said Act, and praying his Lordship, as therein particularly set forth, after due intimation, to find the Petitioner entitled to a discharge: upon which Application his Lordship was pleased to pronounce the following Deliverance:—'Kilmarnock, 9th January 1878.—Petitioner's Procurator produces Report by Trustee. The Sheriff-Substitute having considered this Petition with the production, appoints the Petition to be intimated in the Gazette, and to each Creditor, in terms of the Statute, with certification that if at the distance of not less than twenty-one days from publication of such Intimation, no appearance is made in the Sheriff-Clerk's Office, Kilmarnock, to oppose, he will pronounce a Deliverance finding the Bankrupt entitled to a discharge.'

'THOMAS ANDERSON.'

Of all which Intimation is hereby made.

TORRANCE & STEVENSON, Writers, Kilmarnock,  
Petitioner's Agents.

Kilmarnock, 18th January 1878.