

numbered 4 and 5, according to the nature of the situation vacant, *i.e.*, according as the duties to be performed render a knowledge of Mechanics and Mechanism or of Chemistry absolutely necessary. The remaining subjects are optional.

III. No Candidate can be admitted to the competition who has not previously satisfied the Civil Service Commissioners that he possesses the requisite amount of proficiency in the following subjects:—

1. Handwriting.
2. Orthography.
3. Arithmetic (to Vulgar and Decimal Fractions).
4. English Composition.

With this view, Preliminary Examinations in these subjects will be held at such times and places as the Commissioners may appoint.

Application for permission to attend one of these Preliminary Examinations must be made in the writing of the Candidate, at such times and in such manner as may be fixed by the Commissioners.

IV. A fee of £1 will be required from every Candidate attending a Preliminary Examination, and a further fee of £2 from every Candidate who may be admitted to the competition.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination for six situations of Indexing and Abridging Clerk in the Patent Office will be held in London, under the above Regulations, on Tuesday, 25th January 1881, and following days.

A Preliminary Examination will be held in London, Dublin, and Edinburgh, on Friday the 14th January 1880.

No person will be admitted to the Preliminary Examination from whom the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, has not received, on or before the 4th January, an application in the handwriting of the Candidate, on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

BANKRUPTS

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

BANKRUPTCIES ANNULLED.

James Tibbitt the younger, of Morley House, Saint Peter's Road, Kingsland, Middlesex, builder and contractor.

Edward Gillead Castledine, of 5 Meat Market, and Percival Charles Nutt, of 2 Norfolk Terrace, Orchard Street, both in Bury Saint Edmunds, Suffolk, and carrying on business as ironmongers and agricultural implement dealers, sole agents for Ransomes, Simes, & Head, for the Western Division of Suffolk, at Bury Saint Edmunds aforesaid, and at Newmarket, Cambridge, and late at Sudbury, Suffolk, under the style or firm of Castledine & Nutt, and sometimes as Castledine & Company.

Thomas Elderkine, of Houghton Mill, Northampton, miller.

BANKRUPTCIES AWARDED.

Charles Davis, of 18 Giltspur Street, London, manager to a carrier, formerly of 26 West Smithfield, London, carrying on business with George Dennis Sampson, under the style or firm of Davis & Sampson, as carriers.

Aristides Xenos, of 31 Great Saint Helens, Bishopsgate Street, London.

Thomas T. Trenerry, of Point Mills, near Devoran, Cornwall, miller.

William Henry Sutton, of Her Majesty's Prison, Carmarthen, accountant, clerk, or cashier.

Robert Towers Robertson Wilson, of Berwick-upon-Tweed, trading under the style or firm of Wilson & Co., ironfounder.

Reverend Augustus Hughes, formerly of 5 Wellington Square, Hastings, Sussex, but now of 2 Elphinstone Terrace, Hastings, Sussex.

William Moore, of 5 East Parade and Sunnysides, Cardigan Road, both in Leeds, York, solicitor.

George Langley, of 248 Duke Street, Park, and the Fitzalan and Sheaf Markets, all in Sheffield, York, fish and game salesman.

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, Imperial Measure, as received from the Inspectors and Officers of Excise, in the Week ended 11th December 1880, conformably to the Act of the 27th and 28th Victoria, cap. 87.

	QUANTITIES SOLD.		AVERAGE PRICE.	
	Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.
Wheat	41,768	3	45	1
Barley	82,735	1	32	8
Oats	6,752	3	20	9

R. GIFFEN,

Comptroller of Corn Returns.

Statistical and Corn Department, Board of Trade,

December 11, 1880.