COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1884 to 1887.

Corresponding Week in	QUANTITIES SOLD.			AVERAGE PRICE.		
	WHEAT:	BARLEY.	OATS.	WHEAT.	BARLEY.	OATS.
1884 1885 1886 1887	Qrs. Bus. 58,056 6 48,471 7 66,596 2 53,172 5	Qrs. Bus. 4,443 2 1,511 5 3,153 3 3,710 7	Qrs. Bus. 6,432 0 2,765 1 3,510 5 3,567 7	s. d. 38 0 35 10 32 4 34 1	s. d. 29 4 28 11 25 6 21 9	s. d. 20 7 22 6 20 10 16 3

Commercial Department, Board of Trade, May 19, 1888.

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CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE, DOWNING STREET, May 24, 1888.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following promotions in and appointments to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order:—

Sir Daniel Cooper, Bart., K.C.M.G.

To be Ordinary Members of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Michael Henry Gallwey, Esq., C.M.G., Attorney-General of the Colony of Natal.

The Honourable Walter Francis Hely-Hutchinson, C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Malta.

John Frederick Dickson, Esq., C.M.G., Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements.

Edward Noel Walker, Esq., C.M.G., Colonial Secretary of the Island of Ceylon.

Captain John Charles Ready Colomb, R.M.A., C.M.G., M.P.

To be Ordinary Members of the Third Class, or Companious of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Sir Salvatore Naudi, Knt., Judge of the Court of Appeal of the Island of Malta.

John Wesley Shepstone, Esq., Judge of the Native High Court of the Colony of Natal.

William Raymond Kynsey, Esq., Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals of the Island of Ceylon.

Robert Hunt, Esq., Deputy Master of the Branch of the Royal Mint at Sydney, New South Wales.

Neale Porter, Esq., Colonial Secretary of the Island of Jamaica.

Anthony Colling Brownless, Esq., M.D., Chancellor of the University of Melbourne.

Clement Courtenay Knollys, Esq., Colonial Secretary of the Island of Barbados.

Henry George Thomsett, Esq., late R.N., late Harbour Master of the Colony of Hong Kong.

James Tucker, Esq., Receiver-General of the Bermudas or Somers Islands.

Lieutenant - Colonel Richard Edward Rowley Martin, for services rendered in South Africa.

Joseph Grose Colmer, Esq., Secretary to the Office of the High Commissioner for the Dominion of Canada in London.

Charles Pike, Esq., Treasurer of the Gold Coast Colony.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

May 22, 1888.

The following Candidates have been certified by the Civil Service Commissioners as qualified for the appointments set against their respective names:—

May 17, 1888.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

House of Commons: Clerk, Department of the Clerk of the House—Francis Caldwell Holland.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Post Office: Skilled Telegraphist, London — Alice Crofton Williams.

Sorters, London—Alexander Corbett, Samuel William Crane, Charles Kitching, Edward Ashley Thomas.

Postmen, London-William Charles Harris, Joseph Henry Hutchinson.

Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners—George Edward Nisbet Morison (Stornoway), William Nicol (Stirling), William Robinson (Sheffield), Andrew Rutherford (Stirling), William Smith (Manchester), James Wyatt (Rochdale).

Postmen—Herbert Abbey (Sheffield), William Jasper Millard (Bath), John Henry Stockwell (Newport, Mon.), Thomas Henry Syrett (Woolwich).