Witness my hand this 20th day of February, 1856. Jno. Tattersall, Superintendent Registrar.

## THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the British Possessions in AMERICA, Computed from the RETURNS made in the Week ending the 19th day of February, 1856,

Is Twenty-two Shillings and Five Pence per Hundred Weight;

Exclusive of the Duties of Customs paid or payable thereon on the IMPORTATION thereof into GREAT BRITAIN.

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the MAURITIUS, Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

Is Twenty-four Shillings and Two Pence Three Farthings per Hundred Weight;

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the EAST INDIES, Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty;

Is Twenty-two Shillings and Eight Pence per Hundred Weight;

The AVERAGE PRICE of the three foregoing Descriptions of SUGAR, jointly,

Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

Is Twenty-three Shillings and Nine Pence Three Farthings per Hundred Weight.

By Authority of Parliament,

HENRY BICKNELL, Clerk of the Grocers' Company. Grocers'-Hall, February 22, 1856.

OTICE is hereby given, that John Thomas Betts, William Betts, James Betts, and David Betts, now carrying on business as Rectifiers and Brandy Distillers, and Capsule Manufacturers, at Smithfield-bars, in the city of London, and at No. 1, Wharf-road, City-road, in the county of Middlesex, under the firm of J. T. Betts and Co., intend to apply by petition, under the 4th section of the Statute 5 and 6 William the 4th, chapter 83, to Her Majesty in Council, for prolongations of the terms of sole using and vending a certain invention of improvements in covering and stopping the necks of bottles and other vessels; that is to say: the term of sole using and vending the said invention, by the title of "improvements in covering and stopping the necks of bottles," within England, Wales, and Berwick-upon-Tweed, the islands of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, and Man, and all Her said Majesty's colonies and plantations abroad, granted to John Thomas Betts the elder, late of Smithfield-bars aforesaid, Gentleman, deceased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of this Realm, bearing date the 11th day of August, in the 6th year of the reign of Her said Majesty; and also of the term of sole using and vending the said invention by the title of "improvements in covering and stopping the necks of bottles and other vessels," within Scotland, granted to the said John Thomas Betts by Letters Patent, under the seal kept and used in Scotland in place of the Great Seal formerly used there, and bearing date the 12th day of January, in the 7th year of the reign of Her said Majesty; and of the term of i

sole using and vending the said invention by the title of "improvements in covering and stopping the necks of bottles, jars, vases, and pots," within Ireland, granted to the said John Thomas Betts by Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of Ireland, bearing date the 24th day of December, in the 6th year of the reign of Her said Majesty; and which said several Letters Patent were assigned by the said John Thomas Betts unto the said John Thomas Betts, William Betts, James Betts, and David Betts. And notice is hereby further given, that the said John Thomas Betts, William Betts, James Betts, and David Betts, intend to apply, by counsel, to the Judicial Com-mittee of the Privy Council, on the 24th day of March now next, or if the said Judicial Committee shall not sit on that day, at the then next sitting of the said Judicial Committee, for a time to be fixed for hearing the matter of their said petition; and that, on or before the said 24th day of March next, notice must be given of any opposition intended to be made to the said petition; and any person intending to oppose the said application must lodge a caveat to that effect at the Council Office on or before that day.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1856.

Bridges, Mason, and Bridges, Red Lionsquare, Solicitors for the above-named William Betts.

Parker, Rooke, and Parker, 17, Bedfordrow, Solicitors for the above-named John Thomas Betts, James Betts, and David Betts.

## Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that provisional protection has been allowed

- 126. To Samuel Ratcliffe Carrington, of Stockport, in the county of Chester, Hat Manufacturer, for the invention of "certain improvements in the manufacture of hats, and in machinery or apparatus connected therewith."
- On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 17th day of January, 1856.
- 271. To Allan Macpherson, of Brussels, in the Kingdom of Belgium, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in obtaining and applying motive power."—A communication.
  273. To Edward Schischkar, of Halifax, in the
- 273. To Edward Schischkar, of Halifux, in the county of York, Manufacturer, for the invention of "improvements in dyeing and colouring woo's, hairs, silks, yarns, and textile fabrics made of the same materials either wholly or partially."
- 275. To George Holcroft, Joseph Smith, and Thomas Holcroft, all of the city of Manchester, Engineers, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for preparing, spinning, and doubling cotton and other fibrous materials."
- 279. To Andrew Lamb, of Southampton, in the county of Hants, Engineer, and John Ronald's, of the same place, Shipbuilder and Naval Architect, for the invention of "an improvement in the construction of iron ships, boats, and other similar structures."
- 281. To Henry Bestwick, of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Brassfounder, and Joseph Bury, of the same place, Brassfounder, for the invention of "certain improvements in cocks, taps, or valves."