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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 24th December 1898, conformably with the Act of the 45th and 46th Victoria, cap. 37.

	QUANTITIES SOLD.		AVERAGE PRICE.	
	Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.
Wheat ... ..	61,583	4	26	9
Barley ... ..	132,590	4	28	6
Oats ... ..	22,148	7	17	0

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1894 to 1897.

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.
1894 ... ..	35,379	3	94,629	0	14,673	7	20	5	20	10	13	9
1895 ... ..	24,377	0	103,556	4	16,168	5	25	0	23	11	13	10
1896 ... ..	41,672	7	84,230	3	11,945	1	30	9	24	1	16	1
1897 ... ..	54,230	1	127,208	2	15,477	2	34	4	26	11	17	0

\* 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.

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