

WHITEHALL, March 4, 1901.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto each of the under-mentioned Gentlemen His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh of the Fourth Class, which decoration has been conferred upon them by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of their services to His Highness in the Egyptian Public Works Department:—

Hugh Wilson Molesworth, Esq., Director of Works, Lower Egypt;

Percy Marmaduke Tottenham, Esq., Director of Works, Lower Egypt;

Harry Glen Finlaison, Esq., Director of Works, Lower Egypt;

George Barton Perkins Ireland, Esq., Director of Works, Upper Egypt.

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The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Edbert Ansgar Hewett, Esq., the Agent at Shanghai of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Cross of the Order of Orange Nassau, conferred upon him by Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him to the Officer commanding the Netherland Naval Division at that Port.

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The King has been pleased to give and grant unto John M'Donald, Esq., Member of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Fifth Class of the Imperial Japanese Order of the Mirror, conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, in recognition of his services in connection with Japanese Government Railways.

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, per Quarter of 8 Bushels, Imperial Measure,* as received from the Inspectors and Officers of Excise, in the Week ended 2nd March 1901, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

	QUANTITIES SOLD.		AVERAGE PRICE.	
	Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.
Wheat	68,224	0	25	11
Barley	52,600	1	25	0
Oats	21,858	4	17	9

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1897 to 1900.

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.
1897	47,981	5	33,147	1	14,093	0	28	3	23	0	16	3
1898	52,833	1	44,953	6	17,289	7	35	10	28	0	17	11
1899	78,143	5	58,718	6	23,534	1	25	8	26	7	17	0
1900	68,153	2	51,727	2	18,949	2	26	4	24	6	16	10

* 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.

P. G. CRAIGIE.

Board of Agriculture, 4 Whitehall Place, London, S. W.,
March 2, 1901.