

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, per Quarter, of 8 Bushels, Imperial Measure,* as received from the Inspectors of Corn Returns, in the Week ended 2nd May 1903, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BRITISH CORN.				QUANTITIES SOLD.		AVERAGE PRICE.	
				Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.
Wheat	...	...	...	53,890	1	26	10
Barley	...	...	...	10,254	4	22	1
Oats	...	...	...	17,400	6	18	0

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1896 to 1902.

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.
1896 ...	35,439	6	4,335	1	9,324	0	25	7	21	0	14	4
1897 ...	67,083	6	6,980	3	6,897	7	28	4	21	5	16	11
1898 ...	50,902	3	3,215	4	9,027	5	42	4	27	8	20	4
1899 ...	88,991	7	4,980	5	14,907	2	25	3	24	5	17	6
1900 ...	75,410	1	8,159	4	8,658	2	25	11	25	3	18	0
1901 ...	46,616	1	6,417	7	6,869	3	26	9	26	4	19	1
1902 ...	46,238	6	4,226	3	9,685	0	29	9	27	5	21	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.

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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

May 5, 1903.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :—

REGULATIONS respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the situation of Valuer and Surveyor (Second Section) in the Department of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.

N.B.—These Regulations are liable to alteration for future Examinations.

I. The limits of age for this situation are 22 and 28, and Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

In reckoning age for competition, the following allowances will be made, viz. :—

(i.) Persons who have served in the Army or Navy may deduct from their actual age any time during which they have served ;

(ii.) Persons who may be serving or who may have served in the Militia, the Imperial

Yeomanry, the Honourable Artillery Company, or the Volunteers, may deduct from their actual age any time spent on actual military service, such time being reckoned by the number of days for which they received Army pay ;

(iii.) Persons who have served for two full consecutive years—

(A) In any Civil situation to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners ;

(B) In the Royal Irish Constabulary ; or

(C) As Registered Copyists or Registered Boy Clerks in succession with the Civil Service,

may deduct from their actual age any time, not exceeding five years, which they may have spent in such service.

II. Candidates will be required to show what technical education and preliminary training they have undergone to qualify themselves for a situation of this nature. They must show (1) that they have served for at least two years in a public or private office under a Civil Engineer, Architect, or Surveyor ; (2) that the works on