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 16th May 1903, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BR	ITISH CO	DRN.		QUANTITIE	s sold.	AVERAGE PRICE		
Wheat	•••	•••		Qrs. 68,505	Bus.	s. 27	d. 9	
Barley	•••	•••	•••	7,970	5	22	5	
Oats	•••	•••		15,844	2	18	4	

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

Corresponding Week in		QUANTITIES SOLD.						ļ	AVERAGE PRICE.					
		WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.		WH	WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.	
		Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus	<i>s.</i>	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	
1896	•••	36,895	5	3,359	4	6,67	2 6	25	6	21	8	14	6	
1897	•••	66,919	4	2,468	3	5,44	4 5	28	1	19	10	17	9	
1898	•••	70,464	4	1,483	1	8,54	9 0	48	1	26	0	21	3	
1899	•••	98,144	0	4,697		11,45	0 7	25	3	23	11	17	10	
1900		83,941	6	5,638	6	9,94	2 0	25	7	24	5	18	5	
1901		52,875	7	2,508	0	7,34	5 4	27	7	24	2	19	4	
1902	•••	40,387		674	- 1	7,57	6 2	31	1	25	3	22	5	

^{*} 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.

Board of Agriculture, 3 St. James' Square, London, S.W., May 16, 1903. P. G. CRAIGIE.

DOWNING STREET, May 16, 1903.

The King has been pleased to appoint Francis John Bisset Archer, Esq., Treasurer of the Colony of the Gambia, to be a Member of the Executive Council and an Official Member of the Legislative Council of that Colony.

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE, May 13, 1903.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. J. G. Jack to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Act, for the Falkland District of the County of Fife.

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE, May 15, 1903.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. S. G. Ogilvy to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Act, for the Fauldhouse District of the County of Linlithgow.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

May 19, 1903.

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

May 14, 1903.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Post Office: Male Sorter, London-Matthew John Smartt.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

Admiralty: Established Computer at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich—William Stevens.

Post Office: Male Learners—Albert David Tavender (Hull), Edwin Richardson (Nottingham).

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Prison Department, England: Subordinate Officer, Division I.—Edward Andrew M'Keown.