Lewis; Sir Godírey Lushington; Arthur Cohen; and Sidney Webb to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these presents give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you auy information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to, and examine all such books, documents, registers, and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do by these presents authorise and empower you, or any three or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient to so inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid.

Aud We do by these presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And We do further ordain that you, or any

three or more of you, have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any three or more of you, your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

> Given at Our Court at Saint James', the sixth day of June one thousand nine hundred and three, in the third year of Our Reign.

> > By His Majesty's Command,

A. AKERS-DOUGLAS.

## FOREIGN OFFICE, June 8, 1903.

It is hereby notified that on the 30th ultimo Señor Don Alfonso Lancaster Jones presented, through the Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G., His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, His Letters of Recall as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of Mexico.

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 6th June 1903, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BR	ITISH CO	ORN.		QUANTITIE	s sold.	AVERAGE PRICE.			
Wheat	•••	• • •		Qrs. 45,420	Bas. 1	s. 27	d. 6		
Barley	•••	<b></b>		2,949	6.	23	10		
Oats	•••			9,712	4	18	4		

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. 1	Bus,	Qrs.	Bus.	<i>s</i> .	d.	s.	d.	<i>s</i> .	d.
1896		•••	25,248	6	935	6	4,13	62	25	1	19	3	14	- 9
1897			41,626	4	1,968	6	2,51	4 0	27	4	22	8	17	11
1898		•••	22,109	0	576	2	3,04	1 1	45	4	25	8	20	11
1899	•••	•••	83,248	2	833	6	6,56	15	25	6	21	10	18	2
1900		•••	64,747	2	990	3	6,053	37	25	3	23	8	18	8
1901	•••		42,202	0	2 <b>2</b> 1	4	4,023	31	27	6	22	9	20	1
1902	•••		32,707	3	457	3	6,470	63	31	3	24	3	22	11

\* 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., June 6, 1903. P. G. CRAIGIE.