DECORATION CONFERRED BY HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF THE BELGIANS.

ORDER OF THE CROWN.

Commander.

Adml. Richard B. Farquhar, C.B.

DECORATION CONFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC.

MILITARY ORDER OF AVIS.

2nd Class.

Lieut.-Col. Chetwode G. C. Crawley, R.M.A.

Civil Service Commission, December 10, 1918.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination

for situations as Female Writing Assistants in certain Public Departments will be held in London, Bristol, Leeds, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Dublin, Belfast, Cork, and Londonderry, commencing on the 20th March 1919, under the Regulations dated the 16th July 1918, as amended 29th October 1918, and published in the London Gazette of the same dates.

Appointments will be offered to not fewer than 20 of the Candidates highest on the list, provided they obtain the necessary aggregate of marks and are duly qualified in other respects.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 13th February, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

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 7th December 1918, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BRITISH CORN.				QUANTITIES SOLD.	AVERAGE PRICE
Wheat		•••		Qrs. Bus. 81,297 1	s. d. 72 4
Barley	•••	•••		101,294 3	62 6
Oats	•••	•••		16,858 6	51 4

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the Corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1911 to 1917.

Corresponding Week in		Qī	UANTITIES SOL	AVERAGE PRICE.			
		WHEAT.	BARLEY.	OATS.	WHEAT.	BARLEY.	OATS.
		Qrs. Bus.	· Qrs. Bus.	Qrs. Bus.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1911	•••	78,271 4	58,782 5	18,323 7	32 11	33 5	20 9
1912	•••	42,181 2	109,135 4	15,491 2	30 8	29 2	19 3
1913		71,497 7	168,335 4	21,729 6	31 2	26 5	18 6
1914		75,576 5	120,169 3	30,418 4	42 1	29 11	25 -9
1915		115,616 3	94,019 1	32,594 6	$52 \ 10$	47 10	30 4
1916		73,800 2	143,275 2	34,876 7	72 1	65 6	44 1
1917	•••	47,419 0	107,519 5	16,564 6	70 7	58 7	43 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.

R. HENRY REW.

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,

3 St. James's Square, London, S.W. 1, 7th December 1918.