

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 TO 1937, AND AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937 (PART IV.).

GREAT BRITAIN.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

RETURN No. 20/1948. OUTBREAKS OF SCHEDULED (NOTIFIABLE) DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MINISTRY during the period 16th to 31st OCTOBER 1948.

Summary of Returns of outbreaks of certain scheduled (notifiable) diseases which have been confirmed by the Ministry during the period 16th to 31st September 1948.

Period.	Anthrax.		Foot-and-Mouth Disease.		Fowl Pest.	Parasitic Mange.*		Sheep Scab.	Swine Fever.	
	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals slaughtered as diseased or exposed to infection.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Swine slaughtered.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Period 16th to 31st October 1948	9	9	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—
Corresponding period in { 1947	6	6	—	—	392	—	—	8	2	—
{ 1946	5	5	1	23	—	—	—	8	1	—
{ 1945	5	8	7	922	—	—	—	1	42	16
Total 1st January to 31st October 1948	93	96	2	200	252	1	1	52	24	5
Corresponding period in { 1947	97	113	103	10,890	1,400	1	2	74	31	7
{ 1946	77	79	34	3,953	—	7	8	74	332	204
{ 1945	103	119	119	9,799	—	6	6	103	845	564

NOTE.—The figures for the current year are approximate only.

* Excluding outbreaks in Army Horses.

NOTE.—The following diseases were eradicated from Great Britain in the years indicated :—Cattle plague, or rinder-pest (*pestis bovina*) 1877 ; pleuro-pneumonia (*peripneumonia contagiosa bovum*) 1898 ; sheep pox (*variola ovium*) 1850 ; rabies 1922 ; epizootic lymphangitis (*lymphangitis epizootica*) 1906 ; and glanders (including farcy) (*malleus*) 1928. Dourine (*exanthema costale paralyticum*) has never existed in Great Britain.

TUBERCULOSIS (ATTESTED HERDS) SCHEMES.

The number of Attested Herds, i.e. herds officially certified as free from Tuberculosis, as at 31st October 1948, was as follows:—

ENGLAND	WALES.	SCOTLAND.	TOTAL (GREAT BRITAIN).
12,528	12,203	10,982	35,713

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,
8th November 1948.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES of BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb.,* computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES in the week ended 6th November 1948, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, the Corn Sales Act, 1921, and the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943.

British Corn.	Quantities Sold.	Average Price per Cwt.	
		Cwt.	s. d.
WHEAT	479,941	22	11
BARLEY	518,420	27	10
OATS	56,973	20	8

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, as amended by Section 2 of the Corn Sales Act, 1921, provides that, in the weekly summary of quantities and prices each sort of British Corn shall be computed with reference to the cwt. of 112 Imperial Standard lb.

NOTE: The above statement is based on returns received from 108 prescribed towns in England and Wales in the week ended 6th November 1948. The prices represent the average for all sales at these towns, which include transactions between growers and merchants, and some transactions between merchants, during the week ended 30th October 1948.

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COAL INDUSTRY NATIONALISATION ACT, 1946.

The Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that he has made Regulations entitled the Coal Industry Nationalisation (Superannuation) Regulations, 1948—S.I. 1948, No. 2430.

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Ministry of Fuel and Power,
7 Millbank, London, S.W.1,
10th November 1948.

PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACTS, 1907 to 1946.

Proceedings under Section 20.

Notice is hereby given that James Frederick Martyn Hearne has made application for the restoration of the Patent granted to him for an invention entitled "Improvements in or relating to crank shafts and crank cases of internal combustion engines" numbered 578441 and bearing date the 27th August 1943, which ceased on the 27th August 1947 owing to the non-payment of the prescribed renewal fee.

Any person may give notice of opposition to the Restoration by lodging Patents Form No. 17 at the Patent Office, 25 Southampton Buildings, London, W.C.2, on or before the 3rd January 1949.

H. L. SAUNDERS, Comptroller-General.

The Patent Office.