

A COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, for the corresponding Week, in each of the Years from 1861 to 1864, of the Quantities of BRITISH CORN Sold in the Towns from which Returns are received under the Act of the 27th and 28th Victoria, cap. 87, and of the Average Prices as ascertained under the Act 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 14.

Corresponding Week in	QUANTITIES SOLD.						AVERAGE PRICES.					
	WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.		WHEAT.		BARLEY.		OATS.	
	Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus.	Qrs.	Bus.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
1861 ... ..	74,798	3	87,319	2	13,736	5	61	6	36	2	22	5
1862 ... ..	62,309	4	83,666	0	12,591	1	46	5	34	7	20	6
1863 ... ..	82,999	2	87,170	5	11,553	7	41	2	32	6	19	0
1864 ... ..	76,478	5	88,416	2	7,495	3	38	1	28	4	19	9

Statistical and Corn Department, Board of Trade,  
December 23, 1865.

A. W. FONBLANQUE,  
Comptroller of Corn Returns.

**I**NTIMATION is Hereby Given that the Right Honourable WALTER JAMES HORE RUTHVEN, BARON RUTHVEN of Freeland, Heir of Entail in possession of the Entailed Lands and Estate of FREELAND, FORTEVIOT, MEIKLE KINNAIRD, and others, in the County of Perth, has (with consent therein mentioned) presented a Petition to the Lords of Council and Session (First Division, Junior Lord Ordinary—Mr Drysdale, Clerk), in terms of the Acts 5 George IV., cap. 87, 11 and 12 Vict., cap. 36, and 16 and 17 Vict., cap. 94, praying their Lordships to find that the Annuity of £1,500 granted by the deceased Lady or Baroness Ruthven to Walter Hore, Esquire, her husband, by Bond of Annuity therein specified, exceeds the proportion of the Yearly Rent or Value of the said Entailed Lands and Estate which could competently be granted as an Annuity to the said Walter Hore, as at the date of her death, and to pronounce an order restricting said Annuity to the Yearly Sum of £494, 11s. 3d., or such other Sum as shall be found to be one third part of the Free Yearly Rent or Value of the said Entailed Lands and Estate as at said date, after making the deductions required by the said Act 5 George IV., cap. 87; as also to find that the provision of £9,000 made by the said Baroness Ruthven in favour of her younger Children, by the bond of provision mentioned in the Petition, exceeds in amount the sum which it was competent to her, in terms of said last-mentioned Act, to provide for them, and to pronounce an order restricting said provision to the sum of £3,491, 0s. 9d., or such other sum as shall be found to be three years' rent or value of said Entailed Lands and Estate, after making the deductions foresaid; and further, upon the amount of the said Provision being ascertained and fixed, to grant warrant to and authorise the Petitioner to make and execute, in favour of James Hope and Robert Mackay, Writers to the Signet, Edinburgh, as in right of said Provision, a Bond and Disposition in Security over the said Entailed Lands and Estate, other than the Mansion-house, Offices, and Policies thereof, for the amount of said Provision in ordinary form: Upon which Petition Lord Mure, Ordinary, pronounced an Interlocutor, dated 21st instant, *inter*

*alia*, appointing the same to be advertised in the Edinburgh Gazette, the North British Advertiser, and the Perthshire Courier Newspapers, in terms of the Statute.

HOPE & MACKAY, W.S., Petitioner's Agents.  
119, Princes Street,  
Edinburgh, 22d December 1865.

**I**NTIMATION is Hereby Given that DUNCAN FORBES MITCHELL, Esquire of Thainston, Heir of Entail in possession of the Entailed Lands and Estate of THAINSTON and EASTER BELTIE, situated in the Parishes of Kintore and Kincardine O'Neil, and Sheriffdom of Aberdeen, and within the liberty of the Burgh of Aberdeen, has presented a Petition to the Lords of Council and Session (First Division, Junior Lord Ordinary,—Mr Drysdale, Clerk), in terms of the Act 11th and 12th Vict., cap. 36, and 16th and 17th Vict., cap. 94, and relative Acts of Sederunt, praying their Lordships, after the intimation, publication, and service mentioned in the Petition, (1) To authorise and empower the Petitioner to grant to the parties named in the Petition Feus of certain Lots or Portions of the Lands of ANNESLEY, a detached Part of the Entailed Estate, and also of certain Portions of the Lands of THAINSTON, as delineated on the plans produced with the Petition, at the Feu-duties therein specified, and under such conditions and declarations as may be approved of by their Lordships, and to approve of the Feu-Charters, or other rights necessary for completing the transactions; (2) To authorise and empower the Petitioner to grant Feus of certain other Parts and Portions of the said Entailed Estate, as delineated on the said Plans, and that at such times and in such portions as the Petitioner may think fit; (3) To fix and determine the minimum rate or rates of feu-duty at which the last-mentioned portions of the said Entailed Estate may be feued; (4) To approve by Interlocutor of the form of Feu-charter or other Feu-right, as the form to be made use of for feuing the said last-mentioned portions, from time to time, as such Feus shall be granted; and (5) To authorise and empower the Petitioner to grant Feus in the form approved of, from time to time,