

SUMMARY OF RETURNS.

Period.	Anthrax.		Foot-and-Mouth Disease.		Glanders (including Farcy).		Pleuro-Pneumonia.			Rabies.		Swine-Fever.	
	Outbreaks.	Animals Attacked.	Outbreaks.	Animals Attacked.	Outbreaks.	Animals Attacked.	Outbreaks.	Cattle Slaughtered.		Cases Reported.		Outbreaks.	Swine Slaughtered as Diseased or Exposed to Infection.
								Diseased.	Exposed to Infection.	Dogs.	Other Animals.		
Week ended Feb. 3, 1900	No. 8	No. 17	No. 2	No. 33	No. 27	No. 44	No. ...	No. ...	No. ...	No. ...	No. ...	No. 33	No. 379
Corresponding week in	1899	14	16	...	...	9	29	...	...	...	...	41	576
	1898	15	17	...	...	18	32	...	...	31	...	49	937
	1897	2	7	...	...	19	33	...	2	32	2	62	830
Total for 5 weeks, 1900	38	65	2	33	97	167	...	...	...	...	...	175	2,095
Corresponding period in	1899	55	84	...	...	67	124	...	...	...	...	210	3,673
	1898	63	98	...	...	85	175	1	1	107	5	184	3,896
	1897	47	107	...	...	74	124	1	6	94	15	369	6,017

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

Board of Agriculture, 6th February, 1900.

In the High Court of Justice.—Chancery Division. In the Matter of the North Eastern Steel Company, Limited and in the Matter of the Companies (Memorandum of Association) Act, 1890.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition was, on the 11th day of January, 1900, presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice by the above named Company to confirm a Special Resolution of the Company passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company, held on the 5th day of December, 1899, and subsequently confirmed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company, held on the 22nd day of December, 1899, and which resolution runs as follows:—"That the Memorandum of Association of the Company be altered by striking out the whole of section (o) of clause 3 thereof." And notice is further given that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr. Justice Wright on Wednesday, the 14th day of February, 1900, and any creditor of the Company desirous to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said resolution under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose, and a copy of the said petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the Company's Solicitors, Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, Crisp and Co., of No. 17, Throgmorton-avenue, London, E.C., on payment of the regulated charge for the same.—Dated the 3rd day of February, 1900.

ASHURST, MORRIS, CRISP and Co., Solicitors for the Company.

In the Matter of the Montserrat Company Limited and Reduced and in the Matter of the Companies Acts 1867 and 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 13th January 1900 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above named Company from £50,000 to £29,180 and the Minute (approved by the Court) showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above Statutes were

registered by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies on the third day of February 1900. And further take notice that the said Minute is in the words and figures following:—"The capital of the Montserrat Company Limited is £29,180 divided into 306 shares of £50 and 694 shares of £20 each reduced from £50,000 divided into 1,000 of £50 each." At the time of the registration of this Minute the said 694 shares of £20 each numbered 84 to 139 and 150 to 787 inclusive are issued and the sum of £10 has been and is to be deemed to be paid up on each of the said 694 shares. At the time of the registration of this Minute the residue of the shares in the Company videlicet 306 shares of £50 each are unissued.—Dated the third day of February, 1900.

BURTON YEATES and HART, 23, Surrey-street, Strand, London, W.C.; Agents for

JOHNSONS BARCLAY and LOWE, Birmingham, Solicitors for the said Company.

In the Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster.—Manchester District.

1899. Letter N. No. 9946.

In the Matter of the New Ladyhouse Cotton Spinning Company Limited and Reduced; and in the Matter of the Companies Acts 1867 and 1877; and in the Matter of the Chancery of Lancaster Acts 1850 to 1890.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition has been presented to the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster Manchester District to confirm reduction of capital to be effected by a Special Resolution of the above named Company as follows:—"That in respect of each share in the Company's capital upon which the sum of £4 has been paid up capital be paid off to the extent of £1 upon the footing that the amount returned or any part thereof may be called up again." A list of the persons admitted to have been creditors of the Company on the 23rd day of January 1900 may be inspected at the offices of the Company at Milnrow near Rochdale or at the