

*Medical Return, showing the Number of Lunatics Treated in the Colonial Hospital, Sierra Leone, with the Recoveries and Deaths from 1st April, 1842, to 31st March, 1853, being a period of Eleven Years.*

Period.	Total Treated.	Recovered.	Died.
From 1st April, 1842, to 31st March, 1843....	58	19	13
„ 1843 „ 1844....	54	19	11
„ 1844 „ 1845....	54	11	17
„ 1845 „ 1846....	52	11	19
„ 1846 „ 1847....	56	19	15
„ 1847 „ 1848....	43	9	13
„ 1848 „ 1849....	61	20	19
„ 1849 „ 1850....	54	7	11
„ 1850 „ 1851....	88	26	14
„ 1851 „ 1852....	111	48	26
„ 1852 „ 1853....	98	28	23
Total.....	729	217	181

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATISTICAL SOCIETY.

*Eighth Ordinary Meeting.—Session 1854-55.*

*Monday, 18th June, 1855.*

Present

The Right Hon. The Earl of Harrowby, President, in the Chair.

His Royal Highness Prince Albert, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

The following Gentlemen were elected Fellows of the Society:—

The Rt. Hon. M. T. Baines, M.P.  
George Becke, Esq.  
Christian Child, Esq.  
Layton Cooke, Esq.  
R. H. Coote, Esq.

J. E. B. Curtis, Esq.  
Frederick Gosnell, Esq.  
W. D. Lewis, Esq.  
George Tomline, Esq., M.P.  
W. A. Wilkinson, Esq., M.P.

The following Papers were read:—

“On the Mortality arising from Naval Operations.” By W. B. Hodge, Esq.

“An Analysis of the Statistics of the Clearing House, during the year 1839.” By Charles Babbage, Esq.

THE MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS,  
REGISTERED IN THE DIVISIONS, COUNTIES, AND DISTRICTS OF ENGLAND.

*The Marriages for the Quarter ended September, 1855, and the Births and Deaths for the Quarter ended December, 1855,*

AS PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

This return comprises the births and deaths registered by 2,196 registrars in all the districts of England during the Autumn quarter that ended on December 31st, 1855; and the marriages in 12,155 churches or chapels, about 3,685 registered places of worship unconnected with the Established Church, and 628 superintendent registrars' offices, in the quarter that ended on September 30th, 1855.

The return is, on the whole, satisfactory. But the marriages were below the average from various causes. The births were near the usual number; and the mortality was much below the average, both in the towns and in the country.

**MARRIAGES.**—37,151 marriages were celebrated in the quarter that ended on September 30th, or less by 999 than the numbers in the corresponding quarter of 1854. 74,302 persons were married. The annual rate for the quarter was 783 marriages to 100,000 of the population, the average of the ten preceding and corresponding quarters having been 809. Marriage was somewhat less frequent than it was in the corresponding quarter of 1854, in every county except Surrey, Kent, Hampshire, Oxfordshire, Huntingdonshire, Essex, Wiltshire, Herefordshire, Rutland, York (East and North Riding), Durham, and Northumberland.

**BIRTHS.**—148,853 births were registered in the last quarter of the year 1855; or more in number by 2,394 than the births in the corresponding quarter of 1854. The annual rate of births in the quarter was 3·128 per cent. on the population; which is

*Marriages, Births, and Deaths, returned in the Years 1843-55 and in the Quarters of those Years.*

YEARS.....	1843	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Marriages .....	123818	132249	143743	145664	135845	138230	141883	152744	154206	158782	164520	159349	...
Births .....	527325	540763	543521	572625	539965	563059	578159	593422	615865	624012	612391	634506	635123
Deaths .....	316445	356933	349366	390315	423304	399833	440839	368995	395396	407135	421809	438239	426242
<b>MARRIAGES.</b>													
Quarters ended the last day of													
March .....	25385	26387	29551	31417	27480	28398	28429	30567	37274	32977	35149	33144	29131
June .....	31113	34268	35300	37111	35197	34721	35844	39204	38635	40092	40446	40389	38454
September .....	28847	31675	35003	35070	32439	32995	33874	37636	37316	38400	39899	38150	37151
December .....	38573	39919	43889	42066	40729	42116	43736	45337	45531	47313	49026	47666	...
<b>BIRTHS.</b>													
March .....	136837	143578	143080	145108	146453	139736	153772	144551	157286	161803	161729	160892	166186
June .....	131279	136941	136853	149450	139072	149760	153693	155865	159073	159031	158697	172420	165250
September .....	128161	130078	132369	138718	127173	140359	135223	146911	150594	151222	147609	154735	154834
December .....	131048	130166	131219	139349	127267	133204	135471	146095	148912	151956	144363	146459	148863
<b>DEATHS.</b>													
March .....	94926	101024	104664	89484	119672	120032	105870	98430	105359	106358	118119	111970	134605
June .....	87234	85337	89149	90230	106718	99727	102153	92871	99458	100625	107647	102666	106584
September .....	76792	79708	74872	101664	93435	87638	135227	85849	91499	100382	92201	113939	87934
December .....	87493	90864	80681	108937	103479	92436	97589	91845	99080	99770	103130	109664	97119

near, but somewhat below, the average (3·142). There was an increase of births in every division, except in the two divisions south of the Thames and in the Eastern Counties. The registrars account in various ways for the decrease of births. At Royston the registrar says:—"Many young married men are gone into the militia." The militia is referred to also by the registrar of Hatfield; and at St. Albans "the removal of many young women with the numerous recruits," accounts for the decrease of births. Upon the other hand, "the formation of the camp at Aldershot," it is said, "accounts for the increase of births and deaths" in the district of Farnham. The registrar of Southampton notices that only 84 births took place in May, while the numbers in that month in previous years had varied from 95 to 142; and on the whole he has a decrease in the year of 136 births; which he attributes "to the fact that so many ships belonging to this port have been detained in the Black Sea, rather than to a diminution of the population." The decrease of births in Camborne, Redruth, is explained by "the fact that a very large proportion of the male population has been, for some time past, employed in America at the copper mines of the Lake District, and the gold diggings of California and Australia, where a great number of Cornish miners have emigrated, leaving their wives and families at home, who are maintained by remittances from the husbands."

INCREASE OF POPULATION.—In the Northern and Midland Counties the effects of temporary or local causes of the decrease of births in the South have been

*England\*:*—Annual Rate per cent. of Marriage, Birth, and Death, during the Years 1845-55, and the Quarters of those Years.

Estimated Population of England in thousands in the middle of each Year.....	16721	16925	17132	17340	17552	17766	17983	18206	18403	18618	...	18786
	YEARS .....	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	Mean, 1845-54
Marriages.....	·860	·861	·793	·797	·808	·860	·858	·872	·894	·856	·846	...
Births .....	3·251	3·383	3·152	3·247	3·294	3·340	3·425	3·428	3·326	3·408	3·326	3·381
Deaths .....	2·089	2·306	2·471	2·306	2·512	2·077	2·199	2·236	2·288	2·354	2·284	2·269
<b>MARRIAGES.</b>												
Quarters ended the last day of												
March .....	·721	·757	·655	·661	·661	·702	·742	·730	·778	·726	·713	·631
June .....	·849	·822	·826	·805	·822	·888	·864	·885	·883	·872	·858	·822
September .....	·830	·822	·751	·755	·766	·840	·822	·836	·859	·812	·809	·783
December .....	1·038	·983	·940	·961	·986	1·010	1·000	1·027	1·053	1·013	1·001	...
<b>BIRTHS.</b>												
March .....	3·491	3·498	3·486	3·252	3·575	3·321	3·567	3·582	3·578	3·523	3·488	3·602
June .....	3·291	3·551	3·265	3·474	3·523	3·530	3·557	3·509	3·464	3·722	3·489	3·534
September .....	3·140	3·251	2·945	3·211	3·056	3·281	3·317	3·291	3·177	3·294	3·196	3·265
December .....	3·103	3·256	2·938	3·038	3·053	3·253	3·270	3·298	3·100	3·111	3·142	3·128
<b>DEATHS.</b>												
March .....	2·554	2·157	2·850	2·794	2·462	2·261	2·388	2·354	2·613	2·452	2·489	2·918
June .....	2·144	2·144	2·506	2·313	2·341	2·107	2·224	2·221	2·355	2·216	2·257	2·279
September .....	1·776	2·382	2·163	2·005	3·057	1·917	2·015	2·185	1·985	2·425	2·191	1·854
December .....	1·908	2·545	2·389	2·108	2·199	2·045	2·176	2·165	2·214	2·330	2·208	2·041

\* The table may be read thus, without reference to the decimal points:—In the year 1848, to 100,000 of the population of England there were 797 marriages, 3,247 births, and 2,306 deaths registered. The annual rates of marriage in each of the four quarters were '661, '805, '755, and '961 per cent.; the rates of death 2·794, 2·313, 2·005, and 2·108 per cent. In reading the population on the first line add three ciphers (000). The three months January, February, March, contain 90, in leap year 91 days; the three months April, May, June, 91 days; each of the two last quarters of the year 92 days. For this inequality a correction has been made in the calculation.

neutralized; and generally in England there is little ground of complaint or of any apprehension of a paucity of births, as 635,123 children were born in the year of war 1855; or 208,881 in excess of the number of deaths (426,242). In the last quarter of the year the excess of births over deaths, or the natural increase, was 51,734. Of the immigration into England and Wales from Ireland and Scotland during the period no records exist.

24,207 emigrants sailed from the ports of the United Kingdom at which there are Government Emigration officers; 16,111 to the United States, and 7,329 to the Australian colonies. 7,615 were ascertained to be of English origin, 840 Scotch,

*The Average Prices of Consols, of Wheat, Meat, and Potatoes, also the Average Quantity of Wheat sold and imported Weekly, in each of the nine Quarters ended December 31st, 1855.*

Quarters ended	Average Price of Consols (for Money.)	Average Price of Wheat per Quarter in England and Wales.	Wheat sold in the 290 Cities and Towns in England and Wales making Returns.	Wheat and Wheat Flour entered for Home Consumption at Chief Ports of Great Britain.	Average Prices of Meat per lb. at Leadenhall and Newgate Markets (by the Carcase).		Average Prices of Potatoes (York Regents) per Ton at Waterside Market, Southwark.
					Beef.	Mutton.	
1853 Dec. 31.	£ 93 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	69s. 10d.	79,002	91,627	4d.—6d. Mean 5d.	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.—7d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	135s.—165s. Mean 150s.
1854 Mar. 31.	91	79s. 6d.	60,022	103,519	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.—6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.—7d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	120s.—160s. Mean 140s.
June 30.	88 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	78s. 4d.	55,842	103,331	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.—6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	137s.—172s. Mean 155s.
Sept. 30.	93 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	63s. 10d.	56,389	48,135	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	75s.—85s. Mean 80s.
Dec. 31.	93 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	68s. 0d.	128,783	19,513	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	95s.—105s. Mean 100s.
1855 Mar. 31.	91 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	69s. 11d.	88,000	33,821	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	105s.—120s. Mean 112s. 6d.
June 30.	90 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	73s. 4d.	94,791	57,068	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.—6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> d.	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	110s.—130s. Mean 120s.
Sept. 30.	90 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	76s. 1d.	94,545	51,511	5d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	69s.—79s. Mean 74s.
Dec. 31.	88 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	79s. 4d.	126,893	42,358	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.—6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d. Mean 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> d.	90s.—100s. Mean 95s.
Col.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

*Note.*—The total number of quarters of wheat sold in England and Wales for the 14 weeks ended December 31st, 1853, 1,106,027; for the 13 weeks ended March 31st, 1854, 780,282; for the 13 weeks ended June 30th, 1854, 725,946; for the 13 weeks ended September 30th, 1854, 733,059; for the 13 weeks ended December 31st, 1854, 1,674,173; for the 13 weeks ended March 31st, 1855, 1,143,999; for the 13 weeks ended June 30th, 1855, 1,232,284; for the 13 weeks ended September 30th, 1855, 1,229,082; and for the 13 weeks ended December 31st, 1855, 1,649,610. The total number of quarters entered for Home Consumption was, respectively, 1,191,149; 1,345,743; 1,343,305; 625,755; 253,669; 439,676; 741,890; 669,636; and 550,652.

10,689 Irish, and 1,426 foreigners; the origin of 3,637 was undistinguished. The number of English emigrants during the year was 57,132.\* The total number of emigrants from the United Kingdom was 166,253, exclusive of 10,554 ascertained to be foreigners. The numbers of the two sexes were nearly as 10 females to 11 males. Of 54,902 men whose occupations were distinguished, 7,167 were farmers; 29,963 were labourers; 2,541 were carpenters or joiners; 1,814 were bricklayers, slaters, &c.; 661 were painters, plumbers, or glaziers; 1,735 were miners; 639 smiths; 623 shoemakers; 816 tailors. Only 972 called themselves gentlemen, professional men, merchants, &c. Of 58,950 women, 19,386 were returned as married, 13,616 as servants; the occupations of 25,222 women were undistinguished.

THE PRICES OF PROVISIONS, AND THE WEATHER.—The prices of food, the state of trade, and the weather have a certain influence on the marriages, births, and deaths. Upon comparing in the table the prices of the principal articles of food in the last quarters of the year 1853, 1854, 1855, it is seen that wheat was 69*s.* 10*d.*, 68*s.*, and 79*s.* 4*d.* a quarter; beef was 5*d.*, 5½*d.*, and 5½*d.* a pound; mutton 5½*d.*, 6*d.*, and 5½*d.* a pound. Bread was dear during the last quarter. The average prices of beef and mutton by the carcase were equal, differing little from the prices of 1854, but higher than the prices of 1853. Potatoes have fallen from 150*s.* a ton in 1853, to 95*s.*, and this materially alleviates the pressure from the high prices of other articles. The weather is fully described by Mr. Glaisher, (p. 89). The mean temperature of October was above, of November and December below, the averages of those months. The air was humid in October and November, dry in December. The average quantity of rain fell at Greenwich. The mean temperature varied from 46°·5 in Cornwall and Devon to 41°·7 in North Shields; the fall of rain, from 10·5 in. in Newport and Ryde to 5·5 in. in Liverpool.

STATE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH.—426,242 deaths were registered in the year 1855, or less in number by nearly twelve thousand than the deaths in the previous year. The rate of mortality was 2·269 per cent., or nearly 22⅔ on every 1,000 inhabitants. The mean of the previous ten years was 2·284, so that the mortality of the year was in the aggregate below the average. The Civil Registers contain no record of the deaths in the Crimea or elsewhere abroad.

The deaths of 97,119 were registered in the last quarter of the year; and the annual rate of mortality was 2·041 per cent. on the population, or 0·167 less than the average rate of the season (2·208).

The mortality of 117 districts, comprising the chief towns of England and Wales, was, in the quarter, at the rate of nearly 24 in 1,000; the mortality in the other 511 districts containing the small towns and the country parishes was at the rate of 18 in 1,000; the average rates of the ten autumn quarters preceding were nearly 26 in 1,000 in the large town districts, and 20 in the small town and the country districts.

The mortality was slightly below the average in each of the South-Eastern Counties; Croydon and Dartford, which formerly suffered from epidemics, were healthy. Canterbury, Gravesend, and Farnham have suffered to some extent from epidemics. Small pox prevailed among the soldiers at Canterbury who, it appears, had not been vaccinated. Scarlatina prevailed in Alverstoke, Newport (Isle of Wight), Winchester and Windsor. At Winchester there have been "seven deaths from fever;" and, adds the registrar, "about the same number of deaths from syphilitic gangrene, or *ulcus grave*, which prevailed in the military hospital, and also in the county hospital and union workhouse, especially among women."

The mortality is much lower than it was last year in the South Midland Counties. In a few districts epidemics prevailed. Small pox has been fatal in Ware, in the "densely populated courts and alleys," where vaccination was neglected. The

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\* From a Return with which the Registrar-General has been favoured by the Emigration Commissioners.

registrar of Royston notes :—" Sanatory arrangements much neglected, typhus very prevalent." Scarlatina was fatal in Welwyn, Harpenden (Hertford), Chesham (Bucks), Turvey, Bedford, and Cardington, Ivinghoe (Beds), in Cambridge, Ely, and Wisbeach. Small pox occasioned some deaths in these counties. Many complaints are made of the working of the Vaccination Act. Scarlatina and fever were prevalent in Cambridge both during summer and autumn.

The mortality was low in the districts of the Eastern Counties, with the exception of Risbridge, King's Lynn, Saffron Waldon, and a few more. Scarlatina in a malignant form was prevalent in the parish of Downham and in the Ingatestone sub-district. Erysipelas, chiefly of the face, was very prevalent in Coggeshall. The registrar of Manningtree says :—" Several fatal cases of typhus and scarlatina have occurred in the parish of Ramsey, which is situate a few miles from Harwich. I consider Ramsey to be the most unhealthy parish in this district. There is a large tract of marsh land surrounding the village, and, as far as I can learn, a great want of drainage exists. Some sanatory measures ought to be at once put in motion, otherwise the inhabitants must continue to suffer from a disease which is so prevalent in almost every cottager's residence in the parish." At Sudbury only 54 deaths occurred in six months out of about 8,000 people. The population are fully employed. The improvement in the health of Rattlesden (Stow district) is ascribed to "sanatory regulations."

In the South-Western Counties the deaths (8,383) were below the average. Scarlatina was, however, fatal in several districts; so was fever. In St. Keverne, in

*Deaths in the Autumn Quarters.*

	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	Total 1845-54	1855
In 117 Districts, comprising the chief towns.....	39293	53055	57925	46124	47685	45245	49282	49507	54491	56240	498847	48714
In 511 Districts, comprising chiefly small towns and country parishes.....	41388	55882	45554	46312	49904	46600	49798	50263	48639	53424	487764	48405
Total.....	80681	108937	103479	92436	97589	91845	99080	99770	103130	109664	986611	97119

*Population, Deaths, and Mortality per cent. in the Autumn Quarters, 1845-55.*

	Population Enumerated.		Deaths in 10 Autumn Quarters, 1845-54.	Average Annual Rate of Mortality per Cent. of 10 Autumn Quarters, 1845-54.	Average Annual Rate of Mortality per Cent. in the Autumn Quarter 1855.
	June 6-7th, 1841.	March 31st, 1851.			
In 117 Districts, comprising the chief towns.....	6,612,958	7,886,473	498,847	2.564	2.380
In 511 Districts, comprising chiefly small towns and country parishes.....	9,301,190	10,041,136	487,764	1.954	1.811
All England.....	15,914,148	17,927,609	986,611	2.208	2.041

Cornwall, the excess of deaths (121 to 29 births) was the consequence of the wreck of the barque "John" on the Manacles, when the bodies of 93 emigrants were cast on shore. The diminished mortality of Edington (Westbury) is referred to the works of the sanatory inspector. The poor of Heavitree, near Exeter, suffer much from the high price of food, but soup kitchens afford some relief.

The West Midland Counties (Gloucester, Hereford, Salop, Stafford, Worcester, and Warwick) experienced a rate of mortality much below their average. The deaths were 12,594 in 1853, 13,611 in 1854, and 11,172 in 1855. The decrease is most striking in the great towns; thus, in the last quarters of 1853 and 1855 the deaths in Bristol and Clifton were 904 and 726, in Wolverhampton 858 and 704, in Dudley 1,032 and 747, in Birmingham and Aston 1,888 and 1,440. In Coventry the deaths showed little decrease. Of the 94 deaths in the Holy Trinity sub-district "54 are those of children under three years old, the causes of death being generally either 'natural weakness,' 'diarrhoea,' or 'convulsions.'"

The deaths (5,681), except in Rutland, were below the average in the North Midland Counties; namely, in Leicester, Lincoln, Nottingham, and Derby.

In Cheshire and Lancashire the improvement is less extensive than it is in other counties. The deaths were 16,928. The deaths in Liverpool and West Derby, where scarlatina was epidemic, were 3,487, or 327 more than in the last quarter of 1853. The deaths in Manchester and Salford, on the other hand, were 2,396, or 374 less than in 1853. Many deaths from scarlatina occurred in Runcorn. In Knott Lane, Ashton, several deaths occurred among persons who were attended by an unqualified practitioner.

The decrease in the mortality of Yorkshire is considerable; the deaths in the last three months of 1853 were 10,670, in the last three months of the year 1855 they were 9,421. Bradford, Leeds, Sheffield, York, and Hull, exhibit a great diminution in the number of deaths.

The deaths in the Northern Counties, Durham, Northumberland, Cumberland, and Westmorland, were 5,502, and below the average. Scarlatina has been very fatal. It prevailed with much severity in the colliery districts of Durham. The two villages in Easington, in which it was most fatal, are situated very low, on a marshy damp, badly-drained soil. In South Shields district, where many men are employed on the construction of an extensive dock, scarlatina and typhus have prevailed. At Bedlington, Morpeth, small pox has been raging among all classes, affecting both young and old. Those who had not been vaccinated were great sufferers. 14 persons died of Asiatic cholera, 7 of diarrhoea, in Sunderland East; the seat of the first outbreak in 1831.

In Monmouthshire and Wales 5,844 persons died. Scarlatina and typhus attacked some districts; but the mortality was less than in the two previous years.

Upon the whole, the health of England and Wales exhibits evidences of improvement.

*Marriages Registered in the Quarters ended 30th September, 1853-55; Births and Deaths Registered in the Quarters ended 31st December, 1853-55, in the Divisions of England.*

DIVISIONS.	Area in Statute Acres.	Population, 1851.	MARRIAGES			BIRTHS						DEATHS		
			Registered in the Quarter ended the last Day of						December		December			
			September			December			1853.		1854.		1855.	
ENGLAND.....	37,324,915	17,927,609	39,899	38,150	37,151	144,363	146,459	148,853	103,130	109,664	97,119	1853.	1854.	1855.
<i>Divisions.</i>														
I. London.....	78,029	2,362,236	7,484	6,949	6,974	20,478	19,751	20,859	16,339	17,291	14,262			
II. South Eastern Counties	4,065,105	1,628,386	3,028	2,803	2,992	12,429	12,372	12,194	7,943	8,791	8,259			
III. South Midland Counties	3,201,290	1,234,332	2,132	1,976	1,901	8,872	9,172	9,355	6,050	7,263	6,353			
IV. Eastern Counties.....	3,214,099	1,113,982	1,674	1,530	1,496	7,519	8,122	7,794	5,075	6,071	5,314			
V. South Western Counties	4,994,490	1,803,291	3,338	3,294	2,987	12,526	13,058	12,476	8,488	8,991	8,383			
VI. West Midland Counties	3,865,332	2,136,573	5,019	4,906	4,423	17,909	18,294	18,652	12,594	13,611	11,172			
VII. North Midland Counties	3,540,797	1,215,501	2,323	2,224	2,114	9,590	9,667	10,039	6,528	6,468	5,681			
VIII. North Western Counties	2,000,227	2,488,438	6,704	6,426	6,353	22,463	22,369	22,912	17,847	17,017	16,928			
IX. Yorkshire.....	3,654,636	1,789,047	4,235	3,905	3,242	15,938	15,875	16,153	10,670	11,005	9,421			
X. Northern Counties.....	3,492,322	969,126	1,751	1,884	1,922	7,950	8,830	9,291	5,709	6,280	5,502			
XI. { Monmouthshire and Wales.....	5,218,588	1,186,697	2,211	2,253	2,147	8,689	8,949	9,128	5,887	6,876	5,844			

*On the Meteorology of England and Scotland during the Quarter ended December 31st, 1855.* By JAMES GLAISHER, ESQ., F.R.S., *Sec. of the British Meteorological Society.*

Till 23rd October the daily temperatures of the air were about 2° in excess; from this time till 17th December, excepting the seven days ending 12th November, the temperatures of a very few days reached their average values; the deficiency of several in December exceeded 10°, and on the 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd, were from 14° to 19° in defect. The average daily defect of temperature for the sixty days ending 17th December amounted to 4°. The period from 18th December was very warm, and the average daily excess of temperature was as large as 6°.

The pressure of the atmosphere in October was considerably below, in November was much above, and in December was rather below, its average value.

The water mingled with the air was in excess in October and in defect in November and December, particularly in the latter month.

The daily ranges of temperature have been of their average values in each month. The degree of humidity of the air was somewhat above its average in both October and November, and greatly below it in December, the air having been remarkably dry.

Rain fell in excess in October to the amount of 2 inches, and in defect to the same amount in the two remaining months. The fall of rain about London for twenty-six consecutive months ending December, should be 54½ inches; the amount collected was 40 inches; so that the deficiency of rain for the period is 14 inches.

The mean temperature of the air at Greenwich for the quarter ended November, constituting the three autumn months, was 50°·2, being 0°·9 above the average of 84 years.

1855. Months.	Temperature of										Elastic Force of Vapour.		Weight of Vapour in a Cubic Foot of Air.	
	Air.			Evaporation.		Dew Point.		Air—Daily Range.		Water of the Thames.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.
	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 84 Years.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.					
Oct. ....	51·2	+1·0	+1·5	49·4	+1·7	47·8	+2·5	13·5	-0·3	55·8	Kn. .346	In. .40	Gr. 4·0	Gr. +0·3
Nov. ....	41·3	-1·2	-2·7	39·9	-2·6	38·5	-2·0	9·7	-1·1	44·6	.250	-.021	2·9	-0·2
Dec. ....	35·6	-3·3	-4·9	33·9	-5·1	31·3	-5·5	9·3	+0·2	38·2	.178	-.062	2·1	-0·7
Mean.....	42·7	-0·9	-2·0	41·1	-2·0	39·2	-1·7	10·8	-0·4	46·2	.258	-.019	3·0	-0·2

1855. Months.	Degree of Humidity.		Reading of Barometer.		Weight of a Cubic Foot of Air.		Rain.		Daily Horizontal Movement of the Air.	Reading of Thermometer on Grass.				
	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 14 Years.	Amtt.	Diff. from Average of 40 Years.		Number of Nights it was			Lowest Reading at Night.	Highest Reading at Night.
									At or below 32°.	Between 32° and 40°.	Above 40°.			
Oct. ....	89	+ 3	In. 29·527	-·143	Gr. 531	- 4	In. 4·9	+2·1	Miles. 106	5	14	12	30·5	55·0
Nov. ....	92	+ 3	29·864	+·139	548	+ 5	1·3	-1·2	64	14	12	4	20·5	44·0
Dec. ....	79	-10	29·761	-0·71	553	+ 3	1·2	-0·8	116	24	6	1	5·1	40·2
Mean.....	87	- 1	29·717	-0·25	544	+ 1	Sum 7·4	Sum +0·1	95	Sum 43	Sum 32	Sum 17	5·1	55·0

*Note.*—In reading this table it will be borne in mind that the sign (–) minus signifies below the average, and that the sign (+) plus signifies above the average.

Meteorological Table, Quarter ended December 31st, 1855.

NAMES OF STATIONS.	Mean Pressure of Dry Air reduced to the Level of the Sea.	Mean Temperature of the Air.	Highest Reading of the Thermometer.	Lowest Reading of the Thermometer.	Mean Daily Range of Temperature.	Mean Monthly Range of Temperature.	Range of Temperature in the Quarter.	WIND.		Mean Amount of Cloud.	RAIN.		Mean Degree of Humidity.
								Mean estimated Strength.	General Direction.		Number of Days on which it fell.	Amount collected.	
Jersey.....	in. 29·642	° 47·2	° 64·0	° 29·0	° 5·6	° 20·3	° 35·0	1·7	Var.	6·4	47	in. 9·0	79
Falmouth.....	.....	° 47·7	° 71·0	° 28·0	° 9·6	° 27·7	° 43·0	1·8	Var.	7·1	50	9·0	....
Truro.....	29·574	° 47·0	° 67·0	° 21·0	° 11·3	° 32·7	° 46·0	1·3	Var.	7·2	52	10·0	82
Teignmouth.....	29·607	° 45·5	° 64·6	° 27·0	° 9·6	° 26·6	° 37·6	1·1	S.W. & W.	6·9	53	6·5	85
Exeter.....	29·604	° 45·3	° 65·8	° 24·0	° 13·4	° 31·3	° 41·8	1·9	N. & W.	5·2	43	6·6	87
Newport.....	29·609	° 45·1	° 67·3	° 16·1	° 9·7	° 32·8	° 51·2	2·1	N.E. & W.	7·7	40	11·2	86
Clifton.....	29·618	° 42·9	° 64·4	° 14·1	° 9·7	° 33·7	° 50·3	0·7	Var.	6·6	50	7·5	89
Royal Observatory.....	29·637	° 42·7	° 65·8	° 16·9	° 10·8	° 33·2	° 49·9	....	S.W. & N.W.	7·5	50	7·4	87
Somerset House.....	.....	° 46·0	° 68·3	° 19·1	° 15·8	° 35·1	° 49·2	....	Var.	....	....	....	86
Oxford.....	29·628	° 43·2	° 64·3	° 14·6	° 9·8	° 32·6	° 49·7	1·7	N.W. & S.W.	7·7	48	7·7	86
Hartwell Rectory.....	29·594	° 42·0	° 72·5	° 11·3	° 9·9	° 36·9	° 61·2	1·0	S.W.	5·8	45	6·6	89
Royton.....	29·648	° 42·7	° 71·8	° 16·2	° 11·2	° 32·9	° 55·6	....	S.W. & N.W.	6·7	73	8·5	88
Lampeter.....	29·639	° 42·5	° 68·8	° 15·5	....	° 53·3	° 53·3	1·3	Var.	6·8	54	12·0	83
Norwich.....	29·601	° 40·3	° 65·0	° 20·0	° 9·6	° 30·3	° 45·0	1·3	S.W.	6·5	48	8·9	84
Derby.....	29·598	° 42·4	° 64·0	° 18·0	° 11·9	° 32·3	° 46·0	....	Var.	....	39	4·4	83
Holkham.....	29·600	° 42·9	° 69·2	° 17·2	° 10·3	° 32·3	° 52·0	1·4	S.W. & S.E.	7·1	55	10·5	89
Nottingham.....	29·644	° 41·8	° 67·9	° 12·0	° 12·2	° 36·1	° 55·9	0·5	N.W. & S.W.	7·5	47	6·5	84
Hawarden.....	29·618	° 43·5	° 64·0	° 16·5	° 9·6	° 30·7	° 47·5	1·5	Var.	7·7	31	5·1	84
Gainsborough.....	29·611	° 41·4	° 65·0	° 21·0	° 9·0	° 29·0	° 44·0	0·5	Var.	5·7	42	6·2	85
Warrington.....	29·593	° 42·3	° 65·6	° 14·5	° 11·6	° 33·0	° 51·1	0·4	Var.	6·3	38	6·3	86
Wakefield.....	29·611	° 42·1	° 67·0	° 12·7	° 16·5	° 37·7	° 54·3	1·5	N.W. & S.W.	7·0	56	6·6	87
York.....	29·576	° 40·9	° 67·5	° 19·0	° 9·9	° 32·0	° 48·5	....	Var.	....	53	5·0	87
Scarborough.....	29·556	° 43·2	° 59·5	° 22·2	° 5·7	° 22·3	° 37·3	2·3	S.W. & W.N.W.	....	53	8·2	89
North Shields.....	29·636	° 41·7	° 60·0	° 22·2	° 7·6	° 25·8	° 37·8	2·2	S.W. & N.W.	6·4	56	5·6	92
Arbroath.....	29·600	° 39·4	° 62·0	° 19·0	° 11·9	° 33·3	° 43·0	1·1	N.W.	6·8	39	5·5	81

## REVENUE.

*An Abstract of the Net Produce of the Revenue of the United Kingdom in the Years and Quarters ended 31st December, 1854 and 1855; showing the Increase or Decrease thereof.—(Continued from page 387, vol. xviii.)*

Sources of Revenue.	Years ended 31st December.			
	1854.	1855.	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£	£	£
Customs.....	20,682,429	21,291,712	609,283	....
Excise .....	15,901,764	16,763,535	861,771	....
Stamps .....	6,988,787	6,993,148	4,361	....
Taxes.....	3,028,384	2,967,742	....	60,642
Property Tax .....	7,366,588	13,884,114	6,517,526	....
Post Office.....	1,307,234	1,174,219	....	133,015
Crown Lands.....	271,572	280,516	8,944	....
Miscellaneous .....	777,839	1,103,007	325,168	....
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>56,324,597</b>	<b>64,457,993</b>	<b>8,327,053</b>	<b>193,657</b>
			Net Increase £8,133,396	

  

Sources of Revenue.	Quarters ended 31st December.			
	1854.	1855.	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£	£	£
Customs .....	5,699,967	5,384,461	....	315,506
Excise .....	4,391,582	4,444,726	53,144	....
Stamps .....	1,786,769	1,695,369	....	91,400
Taxes.....	1,270,408	1,323,114	52,706	....
Property Tax.....	826,589	1,260,942	434,353	....
Post Office.....	277,234	293,272	16,038	....
Crown Lands.....	80,000	85,000	5,000	....
Miscellaneous .....	178,177	345,317	167,140	....
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>14,510,726</b>	<b>14,832,201</b>	<b>728,381</b>	<b>406,906</b>
			Net Increase £321,475	

*Increase and Decrease of the Revenue in the Nine Months of the Financial Year, from the 31st March, 1855, to the 31st December, 1855, as compared with the corresponding periods of the preceding year.*

*Increase.*—Customs, 292,938*l.*; Excise, 422,407*l.*; Property Tax, 2,629,477*l.*; Crown Lands, 7,944*l.*; Miscellaneous, 366,549*l.*—*Total Increase, 3,719,315. Decrease.*—Stamps, 139,802*l.*; Taxes, 168,401*l.*; Post Office, 159,938*l.* *Total Decrease, 468,141*l.* Net Increase, 3,251,174*l.**

*An Account showing the Net Revenue and other Receipts of the Quarter ended the 31st of December, 1855; the Application of the same, and the Charge of the Consolidated Fund for the said Quarter, together with the Surplus or Deficiency upon such Charge.*

Surplus balance beyond the charge of the Consolidated Fund, for the quarter ended September 30th, 1855, viz.:-	£		Amount applied out of the net income for the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, to redemption of Exchequer Bills (Deficiency) for the quarter ended September 30th, 1855 .....	£
Great Britain .....		£20,585	Net amount applied out of the Consolidated Fund, to supply services in the quarter ended December 31st, 1855 .....	853,443
Ireland .....		320,585		14,880,590
Net Income received in the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, as shown in page 91 .....		14,832,201	Charges of the Consolidated Fund for the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, viz.:-	
Amount received in the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, in full of Loan of £16,000,000 .....		4,021,200	Interest of the Permanent Debt .....	6,231,870
Amount of Exchequer Bills (Supply) issued in the quarter ended December 31st, 1855 .....		800,000	Terminable Debt .....	668,825
Amount received in the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, in repayment of advances for Public Works, &c. ....		414,784	Interest of Exchequer-Bills (Deficiency) .....	Nil.
		20,388,770	The Civil List .....	99,920
Balance, being the deficiency on the 31st Dec., 1855, upon the charge of the Consolidated Fund in Great Britain, to meet the Dividends and other Charges payable in the quarter to March 31st, 1856, and for which Exchequer Bills (Deficiency) will be issued in that quarter .....		3,879,750	Other charges on Consolidated Fund .....	363,142
		£24,268,520	Advances for Public Works, &c. ....	238,940
			Loan to Sardinia .....	500,000
				8,122,703
			Surplus Balance beyond the charge of the Consolidated Fund, for the quarter ended December 31st, 1855, viz.:-	
			Great Britain .....	411,784
			Ireland .....	411,784
				£24,268,520

CORN.

*Average Prices of Corn per Imperial Quarter in England and Wales, during each Week of the Fourth Quarter of 1855; together with the Monthly, Quarterly, and Yearly Average—(Continued from p. 389, vol. xviii.)*

[Communicated by H. F. JADIS, Esq., Comptroller of Corn Returns.]

Weeks ended on a Saturday, 1855.	Weekly Average.											
	Wheat.		Barley.		Oats.		Rye.		Beans.		Peas.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
October 6 .....	76	6	37	0	28	7	50	10	48	10	46	2
„ 13 .....	76	7	38	4	28	6	49	8	49	11	48	7
„ 20 .....	76	10	38	10	27	9	50	5	49	10	48	7
„ 27 .....	78	4	38	6	28	8	50	1	51	3	49	9
Average for October .....	77	0 $\frac{3}{4}$	38	2	28	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	3	49	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	48	3
November 3 .....	80	3	39	0	28	0	51	3	50	8	51	2
„ 10 .....	80	5	39	6	28	4	52	0	51	11	51	4
„ 17 .....	80	10	39	11	28	0	52	10	52	0	50	4
„ 24 .....	82	1	40	11	28	1	52	9	51	10	52	8
Average for November .....	80	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	39	10	28	1	52	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	51	7	51	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
December 1 .....	83	1	42	3	28	10	53	0	53	3	52	5
„ 8 .....	81	6	42	5	28	6	53	9	52	3	50	9
„ 15 .....	79	11	41	3	27	10	55	4	51	8	49	1
„ 22 .....	78	9	40	4	27	1	54	6	50	8	48	11
„ 29 .....	77	2	39	4	26	11	54	11	49	0	47	6
Average for December .....	80	1	41	1	27	10	54	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	51	4	49	8 $\frac{3}{4}$
Average for the Quarter .....	79	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	39	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	28	1	52	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	51	0	49	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
Average for the Year .....	74	8 $\frac{3}{4}$	34	9	27	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	45	8	46	0 $\frac{3}{4}$	43	4

STOCKS AND SHARES.

*Fluctuations in the Stock and Share Markets during the Months of October, November, and December, 1855.—(Continued from p. 389, vol. xviii.)*

Stocks and Shares.	Amt. of Share.	Amt. Paid.	Price on the			Highest Price during the Months of			Lowest Price during the Months of		
			1 Oct.	2 Nov.	1 Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Consols .....	...	...	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	86 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	86 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Exchequer Bills .....	...	...	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	10s. 10s.	
RAILWAYS.											
Brighton .....	Stock	100	96	95	95 $\frac{1}{2}$	96	95 $\frac{1}{2}$	96	94 $\frac{1}{2}$	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	94
Caledonian .....	„	100	59	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$
Eastern Counties .....	„	20	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	9	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Great Northern .....	„	100	86	84	89	86 $\frac{1}{2}$	89	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	83 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$
Great Western .....	„	100	55	51	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	52	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	48 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$
London & North-Western .....	„	100	92	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	94	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	95 $\frac{1}{2}$	94 $\frac{1}{2}$	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	92	93 $\frac{1}{2}$
Midland .....	„	100	65	64	64	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	62 $\frac{1}{2}$	62 $\frac{1}{2}$	63 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lancashire and Yorkshire .....	„	100	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	77	76 $\frac{1}{2}$	76 $\frac{1}{2}$	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	74	74 $\frac{1}{2}$	76 $\frac{1}{2}$
North Staffordshire .....	20	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
South-Eastern .....	Stock	100	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	57	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	58	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$
South-Western .....	„	100	82	82 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	83 $\frac{1}{2}$	86 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	81	83	85
York, Newcastle, & Berwick .....	„	100	69	68	68	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	69	69	67 $\frac{1}{2}$	67	67 $\frac{1}{2}$
York and North Midland .....	„	100	46	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	44 $\frac{1}{2}$
Northern of France .....	20	16	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	34	36	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	34	35
East Indian .....	20	20	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$

*Fluctuations in the Stock and Share Markets during the Year 1855.*

Stocks and Shares.	Amount of Share 31st December, 1855.	Amount Paid 31st December, 1855.	Price in 1855.		Highest Price during the Year.	Lowest Price during the Year.
			1st January. 4s. to 7s. Pm.	31st December. 6s. Dis.		
Consols .....	.....	.....	91½	88½	93½	86½
Exchequer Bills .....	.....	.....	4s. to 7s. Pm.	6s. Dis.	27s. Pm.	12s. Dis.
<b>RAILWAYS—</b>						
Brighton .....	Stock	100	107	94	108	93½
Caledonian .....	"	100	61	54½	65½	54½
Eastern Counties .....	"	20	10½	8½	12½	8½
Great Northern .....	"	100	91½	88½	94	81½
Great Western .....	"	100	68½	52½	70	48½
London and North Western .....	"	100	101	94½	104½	90½
Midland .....	"	100	68½	64	75½	62½
Lancashire and York- shire .....	"	100	73½	77	84½	74
North Staffordshire .....	20	17½	13½	9½	13½	9½
South-Eastern .....	Stock	100	59	57	64½	56½
South-Western .....	"	100	84	85	88	79½
York, Newcastle, and Berwick .....	"	100	74½	67½	77½	67
York and North Mid- land .....	"	100	52½	45	54½	44½
<b>Northern of France, .....</b>						
East Indian .....	20	16	33½	35½	37½	33½
	20	20	20½	21½	26	20½

## CURRENCY.

## BANK OF ENGLAND.

*An Account, pursuant to the Act 7th and 8th Victoria, c.32, for each Week ended on a Saturday, for the Fourth Quarter of 1855.—(Continued from p. 390, vol. xviii.)*

[Compiled from the "Bankers' Magazine."]

## ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Notes Issued.	Notes in hands of Public.	Government Debt.	Other Securities.	Gold Coin and Bullion.	Silver Bullion.
1855.	£	£	£	£	£	£
Oct. 6 ...	25,765,025	20,291,555	11,015,100	2,984,900	11,765,925	...
" 13 ...	25,305,855	20,648,365	11,015,100	2,984,900	11,205,855	...
" 20 ...	24,682,380	20,371,745	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,682,230	...
" 27 ...	24,698,460	20,435,900	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,698,460	...
Nov. 3 ...	24,741,320	20,096,855	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,741,320	...
" 10 ...	24,646,295	19,763,090	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,646,295	...
" 17 ...	24,661,760	19,422,230	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,661,760	...
" 24 ...	24,543,545	19,050,900	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,543,545	...
Dec. 1 ...	24,580,570	19,075,085	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,580,570	...
" 8 ...	24,439,525	18,690,340	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,439,525	...
" 15 ...	24,137,965	18,581,360	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,662,965	...
" 22 ...	24,844,595	18,379,890	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,869,595	...
" 29 ...	24,664,465	18,700,615	11,015,100	2,984,900	10,189,465	...

## BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Proprietors' Capital.	Rest.	Public Deposits.	Other Deposits.	Seven Day and other Bills.	Total Dr.
1855.	£	£	£	£	£	£
Oct. 6 ...	14,553,000	3,682,448	7,106,524	10,837,643	1,012,547	37,192,162
" 13 ...	14,553,000	3,147,899	4,359,851	11,905,925	973,867	34,940,542
" 20 ...	14,553,000	3,161,093	3,825,021	11,764,080	980,139	34,283,333
" 27 ...	14,553,000	3,170,736	3,700,844	11,327,321	979,129	33,731,020
Nov. 3 ...	14,553,000	3,173,169	3,369,984	11,694,200	964,250	33,759,603
" 10 ...	14,553,000	3,208,583	3,605,358	11,166,069	942,750	33,475,760
" 17 ...	14,553,000	3,220,897	4,110,180	10,886,746	982,219	33,752,992
" 24 ...	14,553,000	3,236,502	4,798,954	11,529,385	962,483	35,080,324
Dec. 1 ...	14,553,000	3,185,588	4,439,589	12,234,788	883,294	35,296,259
" 8 ...	14,553,000	3,193,028	4,416,231	11,719,180	923,444	34,804,883
" 15 ...	14,553,000	3,205,482	4,428,440	12,322,462	846,731	35,350,115
" 22 ...	14,553,000	3,219,877	5,344,753	12,241,437	851,088	36,210,175
" 29 ...	14,553,000	3,235,328	5,843,932	12,362,512	802,908	36,797,680

Date.	Government Securities.	Other Securities.	Notes.	Gold and Silver Coin.	Total Cr.
1855.	£	£	£	£	£
Oct. 6 ...	11,413,143	19,791,293	5,473,470	514,256	37,192,162
" 13 ...	10,556,040	19,280,446	4,557,490	546,566	34,940,542
" 20 ...	10,635,359	18,789,312	4,310,485	547,977	34,283,333
" 27 ...	10,328,955	18,534,600	4,262,560	604,905	33,731,020
Nov. 3 ...	10,201,276	18,355,948	4,644,465	558,314	33,759,603
" 10 ...	10,124,848	17,879,564	4,883,205	588,143	33,475,760
" 17 ...	10,124,848	17,787,150	5,239,530	601,464	33,752,992
" 24 ...	10,339,848	18,651,439	5,492,645	596,392	35,080,324
Dec. 1 ...	10,275,480	18,868,757	5,505,485	646,537	35,296,259
" 8 ...	10,264,376	18,141,269	5,759,185	640,053	34,804,883
" 15 ...	9,789,376	18,360,761	6,556,625	643,353	35,350,115
" 22 ...	9,929,197	19,204,123	6,484,705	612,110	36,210,175
" 29 ...	10,425,292	19,777,860	5,963,850	630,678	36,797,680

## CURRENCY.—Continued.

## COUNTRY BANKS.

*Average amount of Promissory Notes in Circulation in England and Wales in each Week ended on a Saturday, for the Fourth Quarter, of 1855.—(Continued from page 392, vol. xviii.)*

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ENGLAND AND WALES.			
Date.	Private Banks.	Joint Stock Banks.	Total.
1855.	£	£	£
Oct. 6.....	4,018,346	3,157,579	7,175,925
„ 13.....	4,119,285	3,209,021	7,328,306
„ 20.....	4,114,407	3,175,321	7,289,728
„ 27.....	4,043,630	3,096,231	7,139,861
Nov. 3.....	4,039,634	3,107,303	7,146,937
„ 10.....	4,009,000	3,132,543	7,141,543
„ 17.....	3,957,991	3,123,548	7,086,539
„ 24.....	3,921,017	3,113,620	7,034,637
Dec. 1.....	3,876,422	3,096,089	6,972,511
„ 8.....	3,844,093	3,066,914	6,911,007
„ 15.....	3,830,617	3,035,462	6,866,079
„ 22.....	3,820,822	3,034,196	6,855,018

Fixed Issues—Private Banks, £4,600,718 ; Joint Stock Banks, £3,325,857.

*Average amount of Promissory Notes in Circulation in Scotland and Ireland during the Four Weeks ended the 29th of September, the 27th of October, the 24th of November, and the 22nd of December, 1855.—(Continued from page 392, vol. xviii.)*

SCOTLAND.			
Date.	£5 and above.	Under £5.	Total.
1855.	£	£	£
Sept. 29.....	1,437,315	2,656,788	4,094,106
Oct. 27.....	1,579,270	2,723,060	4,302,335
Nov. 24.....	1,638,343	2,909,654	4,547,997
Dec. 22.....	1,548,504	2,852,255	4,400,763

IRELAND.			
Date.	£5 and above.	Under £5.	Total.
1855.	£	£	£
Sept. 29.....	2,877,766	3,022,245	5,900,012
Oct. 27.....	3,240,874	3,547,738	6,788,615
Nov. 24.....	3,244,210	3,720,164	6,964,375
Dec. 22.....	3,159,896	3,883,381	7,043,279

Fixed Issues—Scotland, £3,087,209 ; Ireland, £6,354,000.