## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K/A

## CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 1, 1998

#### COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 0-7570

DELAWARE	CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC.	16-0716709
	AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES:	
NEW YORK	BATAVIA WINE CELLARS, INC.	16-1222994
NEW YORK	CANANDAIGUA WINE COMPANY, INC.	16-1462887
NEW YORK	CANANDAIGUA EUROPE LIMITED	16-1195581
ENGLAND AND WALES	CANANDAIGUA LIMITED	
NEW YORK	POLYPHENOLICS, INC.	16-1546354
NEW YORK	ROBERTS TRADING CORP.	16-0865491
DELAWARE	BARTON INCORPORATED	36-3500366
DELAWARE	BARTON BRANDS, LTD.	36-3185921
MARYLAND	BARTON BEERS, LTD.	36-2855879
CONNECTICUT	BARTON BRANDS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.	06-1048198
GEORGIA	BARTON BRANDS OF GEORGIA, INC.	58-1215938
NEW YORK	BARTON DISTILLERS IMPORT CORP.	13-1794441
DELAWARE	BARTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION	51-0311795
WISCONSIN	STEVENS POINT BEVERAGE CO.	39-0638900
ILLINOIS	MONARCH IMPORT COMPANY	36-3539106
GEORGIA	THE VIKING DISTILLERY, INC.	58-2183528
(State or other	(Exact name of registrant as	(I.R.S. Employer
jurisdiction of	specified in its charter)	Identification
incorporation or		No.)
organization)		

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (716) 393-4130

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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## ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESS ACQUIRED.
  - (1) The Matthew Clark plc Balance Sheets, as of 30 April 1998 and 1997, and the related Consolidated Profit and Loss Accounts and Consolidated Cash Flow Statements for each of the three years in the period ended 30 April 1998, and the report of KPMG Audit Plc, independent auditor, thereon, together with the notes thereto, are located at pages 3 through 27 of this Report.
  - (2) The Matthew Clark plc Balance Sheets (unaudited), as of October 31, 1998 and 1997 and the related Consolidated Profit and Loss Accounts (unaudited) and Consolidated Cash Flow Statements (unaudited) for the six month periods ended October 31, 1998 and 1997, together with the notes thereto, are located at pages 28 through 34 of this Report.
- (b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

The pro forma condensed combined balance sheet (unaudited) as of November 30, 1998, the pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) for the year ended February 28, 1998, the pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) for the nine months ended November 30, 1998, and the notes thereto, and the pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) for the twelve months ended November 30, 1998, and the notes thereto are located at pages 35 through 43 of this Report.

(c) EXHIBITS.

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#### MATTHEW CLARK plc

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30 APRIL 1998, 1997 AND 1996 WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Matthew Clark plc

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Matthew Clark plc and its subsidiaries at 30 April 1998 and 1997, and the related consolidated profit and loss accounts and cash flow statements for each of the years in the three-year period ended 30 April 1998. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the management of Matthew Clark plc. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United Kingdom which are substantially equivalent to generally accepted auditing standards in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Matthew Clark plc and its subsidiaries at 30 April 1998 and 1997, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended 30 April 1998, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United Kingdom.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United Kingdom vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Application of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States would have affected net profit for the two years ended 30 April 1998 and shareholders' equity at 30 April 1998 and 1997, to the extent summarised in Note 26 to the consolidated financial statements.

/s/ KPMG Audit Plc Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor London, England 30 November 1998

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

## BALANCE SHEETS (in (pound) millions)

997(1)
9.7
98.6
108.3
49.3
123.7
5.8

		177.6	178.8
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Trade and other creditors Proposed dividend Bank loans and overdrafts	16 10	(105.2) (7.1) -	(116.3) (13.3) (56.4)
		(112.3)	(186.0)
Net current assets/(liabilities)			
Amounts due within one year  Debtors due after more than one year	15	44.4	(29.6) 22.4
		65.3	(7.2)
Total assets less current liabilities  Creditors: amounts falling due after		172.1	101.1
more than one year	17	(61.2)	(1.9)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	18	(15.5)	(17.6)
Net assets	2	95.4 =====	81.6 ====
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	19	22.1	22.1
Share premium account	21 21	105.5 0.1	105.5 0.1
Profit and loss account	21	(32.3)	(46.1)
Equity shareholders' funds	22	95.4 =====	81.6 =====

(1) As restated Note 1 (Goodwill)

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNTS (in (pound) millions, except per share amounts)

	NOTE	FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30 APRIL		
		1998	1997	1996(1)
Turnover Operating costs			(525.6)	(429.4)
Operating profit	_	37.1 3.7		21.5
Profit before interest and tax  Interest receivable  Interest payable and similar charges		40.8	45.5 0.2	19.5 0.4
Profit on ordinary activities before tax  Tax on profit on ordinary activities		35.8 (10.5)		17.2 (5.0)
Profit on ordinary activities after tax  Equity minority interests  Dividends				12.2 (0.1)
Retained profit/(loss) for the year	21		7.0	(9.1)
Earnings per share	11		31.9p	

(1) Includes exceptional items for reorganisation as a result of integration of acquisitions (Note 4). Pre-exceptional items, profit attributable to ordinary shareholders was (pound) 29.3m and earnings per share was 44.4p.

There are no recognised gains or losses in any year other than the profit/(loss) for the year.

The results above derive from continuing activities.

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	NOTE	FOR THE YEA ENDED 30 AP		
		1998	1997 	1996
Cash inflow from operating activities	25	49.8	52.3	29.1
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Interest paid		0.1 (6.1)	0.2 (5.0)	0.5 (2.7)
Interest element of finance lease rental payments		(0.1)	(0.1)	
		(6.1)	(4.9)	(2.2)
Taxation paid		(7.5)	(7.0)	(3.5)
Capital expenditure				
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Receipts from sale of fixed assets		(31.6) 22.2	(21.3) 2.6	(18.4)
		(9.4)	(18.7)	(16.0)
Acquisitions		(0.8)	0.3	(32.5)
Dividends paid		(17.7)	(21.2)	(13.9)
Cash inflow/(outflow) before financing		8.3	0.8	(39.0)
Financing				
Drawdown of committed loan		25.0 -	10.0	10.0 (1.0)
Issue of ordinary share capital Capital element of finance lease		_	0.6	0.2
payments		(0.4)	(0.2)	(0.8)
		24.6	10.4	8.4
<pre>Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period</pre>		32.9	11.2	(30.6) =====
Reconciliation of net cashflow to movement in net debt				
Increase/(decrease) in cash in period  Cash inflow from increase in debt and		32.9	11.2	(30.6)
lease financing		(25.6)	(9.8)	(8.2)
Change in net debt resulting from		7.0	1 4	(20.0)
cashflows Loans and finance leases acquired with		7.3	1.4	(38.8)
subsidiary		-	-	(0.1)
Movement in net debt in the period		7.3	1.4	(38.9)
Net debt at the start of the period		(51.2)	(52.6)	(13.7)
Net debt at the end of the period		(43.9) =====	(51.2) =====	(52.6) =====
Analysis of net debt				
Cash at bank and in hand  Bank loans and overdrafts		17.3 (60.0)	5.8 (56.4)	4.6 (56.4)
Finance lease obligations		(1.2)	(0.6)	(8.0)
		(43.9) ====	(51.2) =====	(52.6) =====

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## NOTE 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, using the following accounting policies, which have been applied consistently except as noted below under 'Goodwill', and in compliance with applicable accounting standards including Financial Reporting Standard 10.

## BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION--

The Group accounts consist of a consolidation of the accounts of the Company with those of its subsidiary undertakings. All accounts are drawn up to 30 April. The acquisition method of accounting has been adopted. Under this method, the results of acquired subsidiaries and other businesses are included in the consolidated profit and loss account from the date when control passes.

During the year Financial Reporting Standard 10 'Goodwill and intangible assets' was issued and is mandatory for periods ending on or after 23 December 1998. The Group has chosen to adopt the requirements of this standard early. The Group's policy for acquisitions which occurred prior to the issue of the standard is that purchased goodwill, being the excess of the fair value of consideration paid or payable over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired, has been taken directly to reserves. On subsequent disposal, goodwill previously taken direct to reserves is included in determining the profit or loss on disposal. Previously, such goodwill was presented separately within reserves as a 'goodwill write off reserve'. This is not permitted by the Standard and, accordingly, goodwill has been taken to merger reserve to the extent available ((pound)309.5m) and the balance ((pound)52.8m) taken to the profit and loss account reserve. The comparatives have been restated accordingly.

#### TURNOVER--

Turnover consists of the value of goods and services supplied to customers outside the Group, including duty and excluding VAT.

#### DEPRECIATION--

Depreciation of fixed assets is provided on the original cost of the Group or its acquired businesses at rates calculated to write down the assets to their estimated residual values on a straight line basis over the total expected economic lives of the assets. The principal periods used are:

Freehold buildings	50 years
Leasehold buildings	Length of lease
Plant and machinery	8 to 25 years
Computer equipment	3 to 5 years
Motor vehicles	4 to 7 years

Assets in the course of construction are not depreciated. They are transferred to the relevant fixed asset category when they become operational. Freehold land is not depreciated.

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#### STOCKS--

Stocks have been valued at the lower of cost (including Customs and Excise Duty where incurred), determined on a first in first out basis, and net realisable value. In the case of beverages produced by the Group, cost includes direct materials and labour together with appropriate overheads incurred in bringing the product to its present location and condition.

## DEFERRED TAX--

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method in respect of the tax effect of all timing differences to the extent that it is probable that liabilities or assets will crystallise in the future.

## FOREIGN CURRENCY--

Receipts and payments of foreign currency are recorded at actual rates obtained. Foreign currency balances at the year end are translated at the rate ruling at that date. All exchange differences are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

#### BRAND VALUATION --

The cost of acquired brands is capitalised as an intangible asset at the time of acquisition. No annual amortisation is provided on these assets but the directors assess the value of the brands each year and any permanent diminution in value is written off to the profit and loss account.

## LEASES--

Where the Group enters into a lease which entails taking substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset, the lease is treated as a 'finance lease'. The asset is recorded in the balance sheet as a tangible fixed asset and is depreciated over its estimated useful economic life or the term of the lease, whichever is shorter. Future instalments under such leases, net of finance charges, are included within creditors. Rentals payable are apportioned between the finance element, which is charged to the profit and loss account, and the capital element which reduces the outstanding obligation for future instalments. All other rentals relating to assets held under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

#### PENSION COSTS--

Pension costs for the Group's defined benefit pension schemes are charged against profits so as to spread the cost of pensions over the employees' expected working lives within the Group.

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## NOTE 2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

All turnover and profit  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right)$  originates in the UK. There are no material sales to customers outside the UK.

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	1998	1997	1996	1998	1997	1996	1998	1997
1996								
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(in (pound) millions) Turnover: Total	343.5	367.0	297.0	225.2	215.1	162.5	568.7	582.1
459.5 Less intersegmental sales(8.6)	(15.6)	(11.4)	(8.6)	-	-	-	(15.6)	(11.4)
Sales to third parties450.9	327.9	355.6	288.4	225.2	215.1	162.5	553.1	570.7
====	====	=====	====	====	====	====	====	====
Operating profit21.5	28.7	38.1	41.2	8.4	7.0	2.7	37.1	45.1
Profit on fixed asset disposals(2.0)	3.7	-	0.7	-	0.4	-	3.7	0.4
Profit before interest and tax	32.4	38.1	41.9	8.4	7.4	2.7	40.8	45.5
Net interest payable(2.3)							(5.0)	(4.9)
Profit before tax							35.8	40.6
17.2							====	====
Net assets:								
Segment net assets	120.3	116.7		20.6	27.0		140.9 (45.5)	143.7 (62.1)
Total net assets							95.4	81.6
Unallocated assets and liabilities consist of: Cash at bank and in hand							17.3	5.8
Pension prepayment Dividends payable							19.0 (7.1)	19.1 (13.3)
Finance lease liabilities and deferred consideration							(2.8)	(2.9) (56.4)
Provisions							(11.9)	(14.4)

  |  |  |  |  |  | (45.5) ===== | (62.1) ===== || - 10 - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

NOTE	3	OPERATING	COSTS

	NOTE	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)				
Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress		7.5	11.7	(1.6)
Raw materials, consummables and other external charges (incl. duty)		466.2	474.6	387.6
Staff costs  Depreciation and amounts written off	6	32.8	30.9	37.3
fixed asset investments	13		8.7 (0.3)	6.4 (0.3)
		516.0	525.6	429.4

## NOTE 4. OPERATING PROFIT

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):			
Operating lease charges:			
Plant and machinery	0.4	0.4	0.5
Other	1.7	1.4	1.6
Auditors' remuneration for audit services	0.2	0.3	0.3

Loss on disposal of fixed assets	3.6	2.9	0.7
Release of amounts charged as exceptional costs in			
prior years no longer required	(1.2)	-	-
Exceptional write down of wine dispense equipment with			
customers	1.0	-	-

Amounts payable to the auditors and their associates for non audit services were (pound)0.1m (1997--(pound)0.1m, 1996--(pound)0.4m).

Exceptional items in the year ended 30 April 1996 were as follows:

	BRANDED		
	DRINKS	WHOLESALE	TOTAL
	DIVISION	DIVISION	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
Reorganisation:			
Employee severance and relocation costs	3.7	3.6	7.3
Stock write downs	1.5	0.7	2.2
Property, plant relocation and other costs	7.5	5.4	12.9
	12.7	9.7	22.4
Provision for loss on disposal of fixed assets	2.5	0.2	2.7
	15.2	9.9	25.1
	====	===	====

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The reorganisation costs arose as a result of integration programmes within the divisions following acquisition of businesses. The costs charged in 1996 were net of a release of provisions of (pound)2,249,000 established in 1995 and which were no longer required.

NOTE 5. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

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	BASIC SALARY		CASH VALUE OF BENEFITS IN KIND		TOTAL EMOLUMENTS (EXCLUDING PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS)	
	1997/98	1996/97	1997/98	1996/97	1997/98	1996/97
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(in (pound) thousands)						
Peter Aikens	230	230	14	14	244	244
Hugh Etheridge	130	130	13	13	143	143
Peter Huntley	119	130	10	11	129	141
Robert MacNevin	128	-	18	-	146	_
Kevin Philp	100	-	6	-	106	_
Martin Boase	21	21	-	-	21	21
Michael Garner	21	40	-	-	21	40
Graham Wilson	60	-	-	-	60	-
Andrew Nash	_	130	-	12	_	142
Former directors	-	67	-	6	-	73
	809	748	61	56	870	804
	===	===	===	===	===	===

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<caption></caption>	BASIC SALARY	BONUS PAID AS CASH	BONUS INVESTED IN SHARES	CASH VALUE OF BENEFITS IN KIND	RELOCATION ASSISTANCE	TOTAL EMOLUMENTS (EXCLUDING PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS)
	1995/96	1995/96	1995/96	1995/96	1995/96	1995/96
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(in (pound) thousands)						
Peter Aikens	151	62	120	8	431	772
Hugh Etheridge	87	35	70	13	=	205
Peter Huntley	87	35	70	11	=	203
Martin Boase	10	=	_	=	=	10
Michael Garner	10	=	_	=	=	10
Michael Cottrell	70	26	_	6	-	102
Andrew Nash	50	20	79	3	=	152
Alan Dean	20	=	_	=	=	20
David Fisher	47	=	_	3	=	50
Robin Manners	20	=	_	=	=	20
	552	178	339	44	431	1,544
	===	===	===	===	===	====
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On 19 March 1998 the sum of (pound)110,000 was paid to Peter Huntley by way of compensation for the termination of his employment with the Company. On 12 May 1997 the sum of (pound)177,630 was paid to Andrew Nash (a former director) by way of compensation for the termination of his employment with the Company.

## DIRECTORS' PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

Directors who were members of the Matthew Clark Executive  $\,$  Pension Plan had benefits as follows:

	HUGH ETHERIDGE	MICHAEL COTTRELL	ROBERT MACNEVIN	KEVIN PHILP
(in (pound))				
Increase in accrued pension				
during 1996/97 ((pound)p.a.)	2,767	1,812	-	-
Transfer value of the increase	26,242	25,363	=	-
Contributions by individual				
director	4,200	3,875	-	-
Increase attributable to Company	22,042	21,488	-	-
Accumulated accrued pension				
at 30 April 1997	17,026	13,671	-	-
Increase in accrued pension during				
1997/98 ((pound)p.a.)	3,036	_	2,920	1,585
Transfer value of the increase	35,000	_	24,056	13,618
Contributions by individual			•	·
director	4,200	_	4,200	4,908
Increase attributable to Company	30,800	_	19,856	8,710
Accumulated accrued pension	•		•	·
at 30 April 1998	20,672	_	2,920	32,463
±	•		•	

Contributions to Personal Pension schemes in 1997/98 and 1996/97 and Pension schemes in 1995/96 were as follows:

	1997/98	1996/97	1995/96
(in (pound) thousands)			
Peter Aikens	83	83	42
Peter Huntley	35	37	18
Andrew Nash	-	39	14
Hugh Etheridge	13	14	18
Robert MacNevin	10	-	-
Michael Cottrell	-	-	12

Contributions in respect of Peter Aikens, Andrew Nash and Peter Huntley were to their respective personal pension plans up to the maximum permitted under Inland Revenue rules. The element of contributions in excess of Inland Revenue rules is paid into a Funded Unapproved Retirement Benefit Scheme for the benefit of each individual.

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## DIRECTORS' BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN SHARES

	30 APRIL 1998	1 MAY 1997
Data and Adams	70 467*	71 067
Peter Aikens	79,467*	71,267
Hugh Etheridge	31,591*	28,891
Peter Huntley	_	29,391
Robert MacNevin	_	-
Kevin Philp	5,000	5,000
Martin Boase	10,000	10,000
Michael Garner	10,000	10,000
Graham Wilson	10,000	10,000

\* Note: A number of these shares were purchased from bonus paid under the Capital Incentive Scheme which imposes a minimum period before such shares may be sold. Details are provided below:

	SHARES TO BE HELD UNTIL 1998	SHARES TO BE HELD UNTIL 1999
Peter Aikens	8,227	9,715
Hugh Etheridge	4,775	5 <b>,</b> 675

There were no changes between 30 April 1998 and 6 July 1998.

DIRECTORS' SHARE OPTIONS

	1 MAY 1997	30 APRIL 1998	PRICE	EXERCISABLE	DATE
Peter Aikens	52,652 24,723 56,811 59,000	52,652 24,723 56,811 59,000	331p 566p 561p 662p	1997 1997	2003 2004 2004 2005
	193,186 ======	193,186			
Hugh Etheridge	24,723 18,937 33,000	24,723 18,937 33,000	566p 561p 662p	1997	2004 2004 2005
	76,660 =====	76,660 =====			
Robert MacNevin	- 	40,000	247.5p	2000	2007
Kevin Philip	10,521	21,041 10,521 10,000 2,000 2,000 60,000	566p 523p 555p 662p 680p 247.5p	1998 1998 1999	2005 2005
	45,562	105,562			
	======	- 14 -			

At 30 April 1998, the Company's share price was 201.5p. The highest and lowest share prices during the year were 277.5p and 162.5p, respectively. Exercise of the above options was not conditional upon any performance criteria.

All options were granted for nil consideration.

## NOTE 6. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

The average number of people  $\mbox{\ employed\ by\ the\ Group,\ including\ directors,}$  within each category of activity was:

	1998	1997	1996
(number of people)			
Production staff	471	516	513
Sales, marketing and distribution staff	883	792	663
Administration staff	268	270	276
	1,622	1,578	1,452
	=====	=====	=====

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
Wages and salaries	30.2	28.6	27.3
Social security costs	2.4	2.4	2.4
Other pension costs	0.2	(0.1)	0.3
	32.8	30.9	30.0
	====	====	====

## NOTE 7. PROFIT/(LOSS) ON FIXED ASSET SALES

The profit/(loss) on fixed asset sales comprises:

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
Profit on property sales	4.2	0.4	_
Provision for loss on plant and machinery sales	(0.5)	-	(2.0)
	3.7	0.4	(2.0)
	====	====	====

The tax charge for 1998 includes (pound)1.2m in respect of property sales.

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
Bank interest and interest on loans repayable			
within 5 years	5.0	4.9	2.5
Finance charges on finance leases	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other	-	0.1	0.1
	5.1	5.1	2.7
	====	====	====

In addition interest capitalised into tangible fixed assets during the year was (pound) 0.6m (1997--(pound) nil, 1996--(pound) nil).

NOTE 9. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions)			
The charge in the profit and loss account consists of: Corporation tax at 31% (199733%, 199633%) Deferred taxeffect of change in rate from	14.9	7.6	1.8
33% to 30%	(0.9)	-	-
Deferred taxother	(3.5)	4.8	3.2
	10.5	12.4	5.0
	====	====	====
	1998	1997	
	1990	1997	
(in (pound) millions)			
The deferred tax provision/(asset) represents:			
Excess of capital allowances over depreciation	(1.4)	6.6	
Unutilised losses	. –	(1.3)	
Pensions timing differences	5.7	6.3	
Other timing differences	(0.7)	(3.6)	
Offset of ACT recoverable	-	(4.8)	
	3.6	3.2	
	====	====	

The tax effect of exceptional items for the year ended 30 April 1996 was a credit of (pound) 7.9m, which included a credit of (pound) 0.8m attributable to the provision for loss on fixed asset disposals.

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Full provision has been made for deferred tax except for a deferred tax asset of (pound) 0.1m (1997--(pound) 0.2m) on the excess of capital allowances over depreciation.

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Deferred tax		
At the beginning of the year	3.2	(0.4)
ACT and losses transferred to/(from) corporation tax	4.8	(2.9)
Adjustment to fair value	-	1.7
Deferred tax (credit)/charge to profit and loss account	(4.4)	4.8
At the end of the year	3.6	3.2
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## NOTE 10. DIVIDENDS

	1998 PENCE PER SHARE	1997 PENCE PER SHARE	1996 PENCE PER SHARE	1998 (pound) m	1997 (pound) m	1996 (pound) m
Dividends paid or proposed:						
Ordinary shares						
Interim dividend paid of	5.0	9.0	9.0	4.4	7.9	7.9
Proposed final dividend of	8.0	15.0	15.0	7.1	13.3	13.3
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Total	13.0	24.0	24.0	11.5	21.2	21.2
	=====	====	====	====	====	====
Gross equivalent per share	16.25	30.0	30.0			
	=====	====	====			

## NOTE 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of earnings per share is based on a profit of (pound)  $25.3 \mathrm{m}$ 

(1997-- (pound) 28.2m, 1996-- (pound) 12.1m) and 88,520,498 shares (1997--88,469,740 1996--66,023,926 shares), being the weighted average number in issue. A fully diluted earnings per share figure based on share options outstanding is not provided as the effect on earnings per share is not material.

#### NOTE 12. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

GROUP

(in (pound) millions)

Cost and net book value of Strathmore brand

At 30 April 1998, 30 April 1997 and 30 April 1996 ......

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NOTE 13. TANGIBLE ASSETS

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#### LAND AND BUILDING

PLANT FIXTURES. ASSETS MACHINERY FITTINGS,
UNDER AND TOOLS AND SHORT LONG TOOLS AND FREEHOLD LEASEHOLD CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES EQUIPMENT TOTAL ---------------<C> <C> <C> <C> <S> <C> <C> (in (pound) millions) (16.0)(35.2) - 45.6 8.7 - 7.0 1.2 - (8.8) (2.1) -- 43.8 7.8 - 8.2 1.2 - (4.2) (2.6) -- 47.8 6.4 ==== ==== Depreciation At 30 April 1996 ..... Charged in the year... 62.3 8.7 (10.9)Disposals ..... 60.1 At 30 April 1997 ..... Charged in the year... 9.8 Disposals ..... (12.4)0.3 At 30 April 1998 ..... ==== ==== ===== Net book amounts: 1.3 ==== 1.3 21.3 0.8 5.2 55.4 3.2 87.2 At 30 April 1996 ..... ===== 66.5 ==== 0.7 ==== 4.7 ==== 21.5 ==== 3.9 At 30 April 1997 ..... 98.6 1.0 ==== 67.5

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At 30 April 1998 ....

Included within the depreciation charge for 1998 for plant machinery and vehicles of (pound) 8.2m is an exceptional write down of (pound) 1.0m of wine dispensing equipment with customers.

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The net book value of assets held under finance leases within plant machinery and vehicles as at 30 April 1998 was (pound) 1.1m (1997-- (pound) 0.9m, 1996-- (pound) 1.4m). Depreciation on assets held under finance leases during the year ended 30 April 1998 was (pound)0.2m (1997--(pound)0.4m, 1996--(pound)0.4m). Freehold land and buildings includes (pound) 4.6m (1997-- (pound) 4.6m, 1996--(pound) 5.9m) in respect of land.

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NOTE 14. STOCKS

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Raw materials and consummables	8.7	5.9
Work in progress	7.3	9.7
Finished goods for resale	28.6	33.7
	44.6	49.3

		105.2	116.3
		105.0	116.0
Accruals and deferred incor	me	26.7	35.4
	deferred duty	11.0	12.5
	less than one year (note 17)	0.4	0.4
Other tax, including social	l security and ACT payable	10.4	12.3
Corporation tax		4.7	2.9
Trade and other creditors Trade creditors		52.0	52.8
(in (pound) millions)			
		1998	1997
NOTE 16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS	FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		=====	=====
		115.7	123.7
		20.9	22.4
rension prepayment			
Amounts falling due after mos ACT recoverable Pension prepayment		1.9 19.0	3.3 19.1
7	+	=====	=====
		94.8	101.3
Prepayments and accrued inc	come	5.1	3.5
Other debtors		6.4	4.9
ACT recoverable		-	1.7
<pre>(in (pound) millions) Amounts falling due within or Trade debtors</pre>		83.3	91.2
(' ( ) )			
		1998	1997

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NOTE 17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Bank loans and overdrafts (unsecured)	60.0	_
Obligations under finance leases	0.8	0.2
Deferred purchase consideration	0.4	1.7
	61.2	1.9
	====	====

The deferred purchase consideration of (pound)0.4m in the current year is in addition to (pound)1.2m (1997--(pound)0.6m, 1996--(pound)nil) included within other creditors due in less than one year and relates to the acquisitions of Dunn & Moore and Liddingtons and is related to future profits. The amount provided represents both the current best estimate of the amount payable in due course, and the maximum amount payable.

The maturity of net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts is as follows:

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Within one year	0.4	0.4
In the second to fifth years	0.4	0.2
Over five years	0.4	-
	1.2	0.6
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## NOTE 18. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Deferred tax (see note 9)	3.6	3.2
Provisions	11.9	14.4
	15.5	17.6
	====	====
Provisions:		
At the beginning of the year	14.4	17.5
Transfer to creditors	-	(0.4)
Release to profit and loss account		
within exceptional item	(1.0)	-
Used during the year	(1.5)	(2.3)
Released to goodwill	-	(0.4)

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At.	t.he	end	of	t.he	vear	 11.9	14.4

Provisions primarily relate to surplus property costs.

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The Group has a number of freehold and leasehold properties which are surplus to operational requirements. Provision has been made for future fixed costs associated with these properties for the period up to their expected disposal. To the extent that these properties are disposed of earlier than anticipated a benefit will arise; conversely if the properties are not disposed of within the anticipated period a contingent liability exists for the ongoing fixed costs.

## NOTE 19. SHARE CAPITAL

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	CUMUL REDEE PREFEREN OF (poun	MABLE CE SHARES	ORDINARY OF 25p	TOTAL	
	NUMBER	(pound)m	NUMBER	(pound)m	(pound)m
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Authorised: Beginning and end of the year	260,000	0.3	117,920,000	29.5	29.8
Allocated, called up and fully paid In issue at the beginning and end of the year	_	_	88,520,498	22.1	22.1

4.9 PER CENT

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During the year no ordinary shares were issued under the share option schemes (1997--217,240 shares were issued for a total consideration of (pound) 0.6m, 1996--64,270 shares for (pound) 0.2m). In 1996 42.4m shares were issued for a non cash consideration of (pound) 267.6m.

#### NOTE 20. SHARE OPTIONS

SAVINGS RELATED SHARE OPTION SCHEME: Employees and directors in the UK with a minimum of two years' service were entitled to apply for options to acquire ordinary shares at 100% (1997--100%) of the average of the middle market price on the three dealing days immediately preceding the date of the invitation.

At 30 April 1998 options granted and outstanding under employee share schemes amounted to 458,102 ordinary shares. These options are exercisable at varying dates up to 2002 at prices ranging from (pound) 2.92 to (pound) 5.26 per share. During the year the Company issued no ordinary shares under the employee share schemes.

EXECUTIVE SHARE OPTION SCHEME: Under the Company's executive scheme the board may offer options to executives, whose performance contributes significantly to the Company's results, at the middle market price on the dealing day immediately preceding the date of the grant of the option.

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#### At 30 April 1998 options exercisable were as follows:

OPTIONS EXERCISABLE BETWEEN:	PRICE PER SHARE	NUMBER OF SHARES
15 March 1992 and 14 March 1999	338p	1,300
22 June 1996 and 21 June 2003	331p	65 <b>,</b> 652
20 January 1997 and 19 January 2004	566p	123,089
11 July 1997 and 10 July 2004	523p	50,497
17 October 1997 and 16 October 2004	561p	93,633
16 January 1998 and 15 January 2005	555p	61,000
20 July 1998 and 19 July 2005	628p	13,000
10 November 1998 and 9 November 2005	662p	106,000
16 January 1999 and 15 January 2006	680p	43,000
28 January 2000 and 27 January 2007	296.5p	203,000
25 July 2000 and 24 July 2007	247.5p	580,000
8 January 2001 and 7 January 2008	163p	225,000

During the year the Company  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right)$ 

CAPITON	SHARE PREMIUM	CAPITAL REDEMPTION RESERVE	MERGER RESERVE	GOODWILL WRITE-OFF RESERVE	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
(in (pound) millions)					
At 30 April 1996 as previously stated	104.9	0.1	309.5	(364.4)	(0.3)
Prior year adjustments (note 1 (Goodwill))	_	_	(309.5)	364.4	(54.9)
At 30 April 1996 as restated	104.9	0.1	-	-	(55.2)
Shares issued	0.6	-	-	_	-
Goodwill arising on acquisitions	_	-	_	=	2.1
Retained profit for the year	-	-	_	=	7.0
At 30 April 1997 as restated	105.5	0.1	-	=	(46.1)
Retained profit for the year	-	_	=	-	13.8
At 30 April 1998	105.5	0.1	=	-	(32.3)
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The Cumulative amount of goodwill written off to reserves is (pound)362.3m  $\,$ (1997-- (pound) 362.3m, 1996-- (pound) 364.4m).

NOTE 22. RECONCILIATIONS OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	1998	1997	1996
(in (pound) millions) Opening shareholders' funds	81.6	71.9	79.6
Profit for the year	25.3 (11.5)	28.2 (21.2)	12.1 (21.2)
Retained profit/(loss) for the year  New share capital subscribed  Goodwill adjustment	13.8	7.0 0.6 2.1	(9.1) 267.9 (266.5)
Net addition/(reduction) to the shareholders' funds	13.8	9.7	(7.7)
Closing shareholders' funds	95.4 =====	81.6	71.9

## NOTE 23. FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Contracted commitments for capital expenditure	2.2	11.8
	====	====

	1998		199	7
	LAND & BUILDINGS	OTHER	LAND & BUILDINGS	OTHER
(in (pound) millions) Annual commitments under operating leases which expire:				
Within one year In the second to fifth years	-	_	0.1	0.1
inclusive	0.1	0.6	_	0.1
Over five years	2.9	_	2.3	0.3
-				
	3.0	0.6	2.4	0.5
	===	===	===	===

The Group had (pound) 9.8m (1997--(pound) 5.0m) of commitments under forward currency contracts at 30 April 1998.

## NOTE 24. PENSIONS

The Company and its subsidiaries currently operate two Pension Plans, the Matthew Clark Group Pension Plan and the Matthew Clark Executive Pension Plan. These Plans are of the defined benefit type with assets held in Trustee administered funds separate from the Company's finances. In addition, a further Plan was acquired with the acquisition of Taunton Cider. This scheme was merged with the Matthew Clark Group Pension Plan on 1 April 1997.

Actuarial valuations of the Matthew Clark Group Pension Plan have been carried out by independent actuaries as at 1 January 1996. The funding level of the combined Plans on the assumptions stated below as at 1 January 1996 was 141%. The combined market value of the assets at 1 January 1996 was approximately (pound) 92m. The pension cost is assessed in accordance with a qualified actuary's advice. The Actuary has considered the long-term effects of the removal of ACT relief for pension funds on the level of funding of the Plans. The increase in the pension expense is not significant.

The assumptions adopted for the purposes of SSAP 24 were as follows:

Long-term investment return ..... 9.00% Salary escalation ...... 6.00%

Pension increases were allowed for in accordance with the Rules of the Plan and the past practice of granting discretionary increases. Assets were taken into account at 94.6% of their market value.

On a discontinuance of either of the Plans, the market value of the assets exceeded the cost of securing the liabilities at the appropriate valuation date, assuming that cash equivalent transfer values were paid in respect of active or deferred members.

NOTE 25. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO OPERATING CASHFLOWS

	1998	1997	1996
(in (nound) millions)			
(in (pound) millions) Operating profit	37.1	45.1	21.5
Exceptional charges	-	-	22.4
Depreciation charges	9.8	8.7	6.4
Loss on disposal and write-off of tangible			
fixed assets	3.6	2.9	0.7
Cashflow relating to previous year's restructuring provisions	(4.5)	(11.2)	(15.8)
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	4.7	11.7	(0.1)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	5.4	13.6	(7.3)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors and provisions	(6.3)	(18.5)	1.3
Net cash inflow from operating activities	49.8	52.3	29.1
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NOTE 26. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN UNITED KINGDOM (UK) AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (US) GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES (GAAP)

The Group's consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable in the United Kingdom (UK GAAP), which differ in certain significant respects from those applicable in the United States of America (US GAAP). These differences together with the approximate effects of the adjustments on net profit and equity shareholders' funds, relate principally to the items set out below:

(a) GOODWILL: During 1998 the Group adopted Financial Reporting Standard 10 'Goodwill and intangible assets'. The Group's policy for acquisitions which occurred prior to the issue of the standard is that purchased goodwill,

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being the excess of the fair value of consideration paid or payable over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired, has been taken directly to reserves. On subsequent disposal, goodwill previously taken direct to reserves is included in determining the profit and loss on disposal. Previously such goodwill was presented separately within reserves as a 'goodwill write off reserve'. This is not permitted by the Standard and, accordingly, goodwill has been taken to merger reserve to the extent available and the balance taken to the profit and loss account. Under US GAAP, these intangible assets would be capitalised in the balance sheet and amortised through the statement of income over a period not exceeding 40 years.

For the purposes of calculating the effect of capitalising the goodwill on the balance sheet and amortising the goodwill and brands through the statement of income, a life of 40 years has generally been assumed. However, under UK GAAP, the value of the brands, goodwill and other intangibles is reviewed annually by reference to historic and forecast contributions to operating income and an additional charge to the statement of income is made where a permanent diminution in net book value is identified.

(b) BRANDS: Significant owned brands by the Group are capitalised as intangible assets at the time of acquisition. The Group does not provide amortisation on these assets. Under US GAAP, these would be amortised through the statement of income over a period not exceeding 40 years. (c) ACQUISITION ACCOUNTING: Prior to the adoption of Financial Reporting Standard 7, 'Fair values in acquisition accounting', the Group provided for certain costs as part of the purchase accounting adjustments on acquisition which under US GAAP would be included in the statement of income when those costs were incurred. Examples of such items include certain costs in respect of salaries of individuals made redundant, the closure of certain of the Group's existing operations and the rectification of inadequate operating systems.

With effect from 30 April 1995, the Group adopted Financial Reporting Standard 7. This new standard sets out rules for accounting for acquisitions in consolidated financial statements resulting in a change in the difference between UK and US GAAP. US GAAP remained unchanged. The fair value balance sheet of an acquired company cannot include provisions for integration and reorganisation costs set up by the acquiring company. In compliance with the standard, comparative figures were not restated. Under US GAAP, certain integration and reorganisation costs may be considered liabilities assumed and included in the allocation of the acquisition cost.

- (d) RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION COSTS: Under UK GAAP, when a decision has been taken to restructure part of the Group's business, provisions are made for the impairment of asset values together with severance and other costs. US GAAP requires a number of specific criteria to be met before such costs can be recognised as an expense. Among these is the requirement that all the significant actions arising from a restructuring and integration plan and their expected completion dates must be identified by the balance sheet date. US GAAP also requires recognition of the estimated net present value of future net lease obligations of vacant properties.
- (e) PENSIONS: The Group accounts for the costs of pensions under the rules set out in UK accounting standards. US GAAP is more prescriptive in respect of actuarial assumptions and the allocation of costs to accounting periods.

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- (f) LEASES: Under UK GAAP, provided certain conditions are met, it may be permissible to recognise any profit arising on the sale and leaseback, as an operating lease, of an asset. Under US GAAP, the gain or loss is deferred and amortised in proportion to the rental payments due over the term of the lease.
- (g) DEFERRED TAXATION: UK GAAP requires that no provision for deferred taxation should be made if there is reasonable evidence that such taxation will not be payable within the foreseeable future and that deferred tax assets should only be recognised if the realisation of such assets can be assessed with reasonable certainty. US GAAP requires full provision for deferred taxation liabilities, and permits deferred tax assets to be recognised if their realisation is considered to be more likely than not.
- (h) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS: Under UK GAAP, cash flows are presented separately for operating activities, returns on investments and servicing of finance, taxation paid, capital expenditure, acquisitions, dividends paid, and financing activities. Under US GAAP, cash flows are reported as operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities. Cash flows from taxation and returns on investments and servicing of finance would, with the exception of ordinary dividends paid, be included as operating activities. The payment of dividends would be included under financing activities.

Under UK GAAP, cash includes bank overdrafts repayable on demand. Under US GAAP, cash flows in respect of overdrafts are included under financing activities.

- (i) EARNINGS PER ORDINARY SHARE: Under UK and US GAAP, basic earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year. US GAAP also requires the computation of diluted earnings per share which includes the effect of potential common stock under the treasury stock method.
- (j) ORDINARY DIVIDENDS: Under UK GAAP, the proposed dividends on ordinary shares, as recommended by the directors, are deducted from shareholders' equity and shown as a liability in the balance sheet at the end of the period to which they relate. Under US GAAP, such dividends are only deducted from shareholders' equity at the date of declaration of the dividend.

Set out below is a summary combined statement of cash flows under US GAAP.

	30 April 1998	30 April 1997
(in (pound) millions)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	36.2	40.4
Net cash used in investing activities	(10.2)	(18.4)
Net cash used in financing activities	(14.5)	(20.8)
Net increase in cash under US GAAP	11.5	1.2
	=====	=====

The following is a summary of the material adjustments to net income and shareholders' equity which would have been required if US GAAP had been applied instead of UK GAAP:

	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions) NET INCOME - UK GAAP AFTER EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS	25.3	
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH US GAAP  - Amortisation of goodwill and intangibles  - Restructuring costs  - Pension expense  - Sale and leaseback  - Deferred tax on US GAAP adjustments		0.7
Total US GAAP adjustments	(12.6)	(9.8)
NET INCOME - US GAAP	12.7	18.4
	Pence	Pence
Basic earnings per Ordinary Share in accordance with US GAAP Diluted earnings per Ordinary Share in accordance with US GAAP	14.3	
	1998	1997
(in (pound) millions) SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY, AS SHOWN IN THE GROUP BALANCE SHEETS - UK GAAP	95.4	81.6
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH US GAAP  - Goodwill and intangibles  - Restructuring provisions  - Pension expense  - Sale and leaseback  - Deferred taxation on US GAAP adjustments  - Dividends	322.8 5.0 2.5 (3.7) 0.4 7.1	331.9 6.4 2.4 - (1.2) 13.3
Total US GAAP adjustments	334.1	352.8
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH US GAAP	429.5	434.4

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

BALANCE SHEETS
(in (pound) millions)
 (unaudited)

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VOLUTION .	31 Oct	
	1998	1997
<s> Fixed assets</s>	<c></c>	
Intangible assets		
	100.2	117.3
Current assets Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	116.2 7.2	127.0 16.3
	1/9.8	199.1
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year Trade and other creditors		(4.4)
	(110.9)	(124.0)

Net current assets Amounts due within one year Debtors due after more than one year		56.1 19.0
	68.9	75.1
Total assets less current liabilities	169.1 (60.9)	(86.0)
Net assets	97.2	89.8
Capital and reserves		
Called up share capital Share premium account Capital redemption reserve. Profit and loss account	105.5	
Equity shareholders' funds	97.2	89.8

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The interim results for the six month periods ended 31 October 1998 and 1997 are based on the unaudited historic cost results.

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNTS (in (Pounds) millions, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

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CCAPITON	For the Six Months Ended 31 October		
		1997	
Turnover	<c> 271.6</c>	<c> 272.9 (252.9)</c>	
Operating profit	4.4	20.0	
Profit before interest and tax	5.0 0.1	20.0  (2.3)	
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	2.5	17.7 (5.1)	
Profit on ordinary activities after tax Dividends	1.8	12.6 (4.4)	
Retained profit for the period		8.2	
Earnings per share	2.0p	14.2p	

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(1) Includes exceptional items for reorganisation as a result of the rationalisation of production facilities. Pre-exceptional items, profit attributable to ordinary shareholders was (Pounds) 9.5m and earnings per share was 10.7p.

There are no recognised gains or losses in any period other than the profit/(loss) for the period.

The results above derive from continuing activities.

The interim figures are based on the unaudited historic cost results to 31 October.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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<caption></caption>		For Six Mon	nths 31
		1998	1997
<pre><s> Cash inflow from operating activities</s></pre>	<c></c>	<c> 11.0</c>	
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received		0.1 (2.9)	(3.6)
		(2.8)	. ,
Taxation paid			(2.0)
Capital expenditure Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(9.3) 1.1	
			(17.0)
Acquisitions Dividends paid		(1.2) (7.1)	(0.7) (13.3)
Cash outflow before financing		. ,	(20.3)
Financing Drawdown of committed loan		 (0.5)	50.0 (0.6)
		(0.5)	
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period		(10.1)	
Reconciliation of net cashflow to movement in net debt (Decrease)/increase in cash in period		(10.1) (0.3)	(50.0)
Change in net debt resulting from cashflows  Net debt at the start of the period		(10.4)	(20.9) (51.2)
Net debt at the end of the period			(72.1)
Analysis of net debt Cash at bank and in hand Bank loans and overdrafts. Finance lease obligations.		7.2 (60.0) (1.5)	(87.8)
			(72.1) =====

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#### MATTHEW CLARK plc

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements present the financial position and results of operations of the Group and have been prepared in accordance with UK GAAP, which differ in certain significant respects from US GAAP. See Note 4 included herein and Note 26 of the Notes to the Accounts included in the Form  $8\text{-}\mathrm{K/A}$  for a discussion of the principal differences between UK GAAP affecting the Group.

The interim financial information included in these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements is unaudited but reflects all adjustments (consisting only normal recurring accruals) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in the Form 8-K/A.

The amount of income taxes in the Consolidated Income Statements is based upon management's best estimate of the effective tax rate to be applicable for the entire year and taking into account available tax loss carryforwards and other relevant tax issues in the jurisdiction in which the Group operates.

## NOTE 2. ADOPTION OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARD

The Group has adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS")

No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income" which established standards for the reporting and presentation of comprehensive income and its components in a full set of financial statements. Comprehensive income/(loss) generally encompasses all changes in shareholders' equity (except those arising from transactions with owners). There is no difference between the Group's comprehensive income and its net income for the six month periods ended 31 October 1997 and 1998.

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#### NOTE 3. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO OPERATING CASHFLOWS

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	Ended 31 October	
		1997
	(in (Po	ounds)
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Operating profit Exceptional charges Depreciation charges	11.0 4.7	4.6
Loss on disposal and write-off of tangible fixed assets Cashflow relating to previous year's restructuring		1.2
provisions	(11.8)	,
Increase in creditors and provisions	, ,	0.3
Net cash inflow from operating activities	11.0	16.3

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NOTE 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN UNITED KINGDOM (UK) AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (US) GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES (GAAP)

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For the purposes of calculating the effect of capitalising the goodwill on the balance sheet and amortising the goodwill and brands through the statement of income, a life of 40 years has generally been assumed. However, under UK GAAP, the value of the brands, goodwill and other intangibles is reviewed annually by reference to historic and forecast contributions to operating income and an additional charge to the statement of income is made where a permanent diminution in net book value is identified.

(b) BRANDS: Significant owned brands by the Group are captialised as intangible assets at the time of acquisition. The Group does not provide amortisation on these assets. Under US GAAP, these would be amortised through the statement of income over a period not exceeding 40 years.

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS-- (Continued)

(c) ACQUISITION ACCOUNTING: Prior to the adoption of Financial Reporting Standard 7, "Fair values in acquisition accounting, the Group provided for certain costs as part of the purchase accounting adjustments on acquisition which under US GAAP would be included in the statement of income when those costs were incurred. Examples of such items include certain costs in respect of salaries of individuals made redundant, the closure of certain of the Group's existing operations and the rectification of inadequate operating  $\operatorname{systems}$ .

With effect from 30 April 1995, the Group adopted Financial Reporting Standard 7. This new standard sets out rules for accounting for acquisitions in consolidated financial statements resulting in a change in the difference between UK and US GAAP. US GAAP remained unchanged. The fair value balance sheet of an acquired company cannot include provisions for integration and reorganisation costs set up by the acquiring company. In compliance with the standard, comparative figures were not restated. Under US GAAP, certain integration and reorganisation costs may be considered liabilities assumed and included in the allocation of the acquisition costs.

- (d) RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION COSTS: Under UK GAAP, when a decision has been taken to restructure part of the Group's business, provisions are made for the impairment of asset values together with severance and other costs. US GAAP requires a number of specific criteria to be met before such costs can be recognised as an expense. Among these is the requirement that all the significant actions arising from a restructuring and integration plan and their expected completion dates must be identified by the balance sheet date. US GAAP also requires recognition of the estimated net present value of future net lease obligations of vacant properties.
- (e) PENSIONS: The Group accounts for the costs of pensions under the rules set out in UK accounting standards. US GAAP is more prescriptive in respect of actuarial assumptions and the allocation of costs to accounting periods.
- (f) LEASES: Under UK GAAP, provided certain conditions are met, it may be permissible to recognise any profit arising on the sale and leaseback, as an operating lease, of an asset. Under US GAAP, the gain or loss is deferred and amortised in proportion to the rental payments due over the term of the lease.
- (g) DEFERRED TAXATION: UK GAAP requires that no provision for deferred taxation should be made if there is reasonable evidence that such taxation will not be payable within the foreseeable future and that deferred tax assets should only be recognised if the realisation of such assets can be assessed with reasonable certainty. US GAAP requires full provision for deferred taxation liabilities, and permits deferred tax assets to be recognised if their realisation is considered to be more likely than not.
- (h) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS: Under UK GAAP, cash flows are presented separately for operating activities, returns on investments and servicing of finance, taxation paid, capital expenditure, acquisitions, dividends paid, and financing activities. Under US GAAP, cash flows are reported as operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities. Cash flows from taxation and returns on investments and servicing of finance would, with the exception of ordinary dividends paid, be included as operating activities. The payment of dividends would be included under financing activities.

Under UK GAAP, cash includes bank overdrafts repayable on demand. Under US GAAP, cash flows in respect of overdrafts are included under financing activities.

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## MATTHEW CLARK plc

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS-- (Continued)

- (i) EARNINGS PER ORDINARY SHARE: Under UK and US GAAP, basic earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year. US GAAP also requires the computation of diluted earnings per share which includes the effect of potential common stock under the treasury stock method.
- (j) ORDINARY DIVIDENDS: Under UK GAAP, the proposed dividends on ordinary shares, as recommended by the directors, are deducted from shareholders' equity and shown as a liability in the balance sheet at the end of the period to which they relate. Under US GAAP, such dividends are only deducted from shareholders' equity at the date of declaration of the dividend.

Set out below is a summary combined statement of cash flows under US GAAP.

<TABLE>

For the Six Months Ended 31 October 1998 1997

	milli	ons)
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Net cash provided by operating activities	6.9	10.7
Net cash used in investing activities	(9.4)	(17.7)
Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities	(7.6)	17.5
Net (decrease)/increase in cash under US GAAP	(10.1)	10.5
	========	========

The following is a summary of the material adjustments to net income and shareholders' equity which would have been required if US GAAP had been applied instead of UK GAAP:

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	For the Six Months Ended 31 October		r	
	199	8	199	7
	(i	n (Pou	unds) ons)	
<pre><s> NET INCOMEUK GAAP AFTER EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS</s></pre>		1.8		12.6
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH US GAAPAmortisation of goodwill and intangiblesPension expense		(4.6) (0.1)		(4.6) 0.1
Total US GAAP adjustments		(4.6)		(4.5)
NET (LOSS)/INCOMEUS GAAP		(2.8)		
<caption></caption>		ice		
<\$>	<c></c>		<c></c>	
Basic (loss)/earnings per Ordinary Share in accordance with US GAAP		(3.2)		9.2
with US GAAP				

  | (3.2) |  | 9.2 |- 33 -

## MATTHEW CLARK plc

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS--(Continued)

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

	For the Six Months Ended 31 October		
	1998	1997	
<\$>	<c> (in (Pound</c>	<c></c>	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY, AS SHOWN IN THE GROUP BALANCE SHEETSUK GAAP	97.2		
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH US GAAP Goodwill and intangibles. Restructuring provisions. Pension expense. Sale and leaseback. Deferred taxation on US GAAP adjustments. Dividends.	4.8 2.5 (3.6) 0.3	6.5 2.4  (1.2) 4.4	
Total US GAAP adjustments	322.2		
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH US GAAP	419.4		

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## PRO FORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

On November 3, 1998, Canandaigua Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canandaigua Brands, Inc., announced a cash tender offer for the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Matthew Clark plc ("Matthew Clark"). The offer valued each Matthew Clark share at 243 pence, valuing the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of Matthew Clark at approximately (pounds) 215 million. On December 1, 1998, Canandaigua Limited declared the cash tender offer to be wholly unconditional - all conditions to the offer having either been satisfied or waived. Canandaigua Limited thereby acquired control of Matthew

Clark and Canandaigua Limited has subsequently acquired all of the shares of Matthew Clark (the "Matthew Clark Acquisition").

The following pro forma financial data of the Company consists of (i) a pro forma condensed combined balance sheet (unaudited) as of November 30, 1998 (the "Pro Forma Balance Sheet"), (ii) a 1998 fiscal year pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) (the "1998 Pro Forma Statement of Income"), (iii) a 1999 nine month pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) (the "1999 Nine Month Pro Forma Statement of Income") and (iv) a last twelve month pro forma combined statement of income (unaudited) (the "Last Twelve Months Pro Forma Statement of Income") (collectively, the "Pro Forma Statements").

The Pro Forma Balance Sheet reflects the combination of the balance sheet of the Company as of November 30, 1998, and the balance sheet of Matthew Clark as of October 31, 1998, as adjusted for the Matthew Clark Acquisition. The Pro Forma Balance Sheet is presented as if the Matthew Clark Acquisition was consummated on November 30, 1998.

The 1998 Pro Forma Statement of Income reflects the combination of the income statement of the Company for the year ended February 28, 1998, and the income statement of Matthew Clark for the year ended April 30, 1998, as adjusted for the Matthew Clark Acquisition. The 1998 Pro Forma Statement of Income is presented as if the Matthew Clark Acquisition was consummated on March 1, 1997.

The 1999 Nine Month Pro Forma Statement of Income reflects the combination of the income statement of the Company for the nine months ended November 30, 1998, and the income statement of Matthew Clark for the nine months ended October 31, 1998, as adjusted for the Matthew Clark Acquisition. The 1999 Six Month Pro Forma Statement of Income is presented as if the Matthew Clark Acquisition was consummated on March 1, 1997.

The Last Twelve Months Pro Forma Statement of Income reflects the combination of the income statement of the Company for the twelve months ended November 30, 1998 and the income statement of Matthew Clark for the twelve months ended October 31, 1998, as adjusted for the Matthew Clark Acquisition. The Last twelve months Pro Forma Statement of Income is presented as if the Matthew Clark Acquisition was consummated on March 1, 1997.

The Pro Forma Statements should be read in conjunction with the separate historical financial statements of the Company and Matthew Clark and the notes thereto and with the accompanying notes to the Pro Forma Statements. The Pro Forma Statements are based upon currently available information and upon certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable under the circumstances. The Pro Forma Statements do not purport to represent what the Company's financial position or results of operations would actually have been if the aforementioned transaction in fact had occurred on such date or at the beginning of the period indicated or to project the Company's financial position or the results of operations at any future date or for any future period.

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#### CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

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As of November 30, 1998

<TABLE>

	Canandaigua	Matthew Clark	Acquisition Adjustments	Pro Forma for the Acquisition
		(Dollars in	Thousands)	
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Assets				
Current Assets: Cash and cash				
investments	\$ 2,141	\$ 12,130	\$	\$ 14,271
net	173,760	137,196		310,956
Inventories, net Prepaid expenses and	441,048	94,533		535 <b>,</b> 581
other current assets.	42,373	22,113		64,486
Total current				
assets Property, Plant and	659 <b>,</b> 322	265 <b>,</b> 972		925,294
Equipment, net	247,499	151,589	13,609 (a)	412,697
Other Assets	260,412	585,476	(320,910) (a) 1,010 (b) (3,384) (c)	522,604
Total assets	\$1,167,233	\$1,003,037	\$ (309,675)	\$1,860,595
	========	========	=======	=======
Liabilities and				

Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

Current Liabilities: Notes payable Current maturities of	\$ 114,500	\$	\$ (96,393) (d)	\$ 18,107
long-term debt	24,118	1,038	(24,000) (d)	1,156
Accounts payable	71,379	92,685	8,919 (b)	,
Accrued excise taxes Other accrued expenses	24,632	14,273		38,905
and liabilities	153,233	74,671	5,058 (b)	224,913
			(8,049)(c)	
Total current				
liabilities Long-term Debt, less	387,862	182 <b>,</b> 667	(114,465)	456,064
current maturities	291,386	102,008	499,992 (d)	893,386
Deferred income taxes	59,337	(8)	18,946 (e)	78.275
Other Liabilities	5,018	15,807		20,825
Total Liabilities	743,603	300,474	404,473	1,448,550
Stockholders' Equity	423,630	702,563	(702,563)(f)	412,045
			(11,585)(c)	
Total Liabilities and Stockholders'				
Equity	\$1,167,233	\$1,003,037	\$(309,675)	\$1,860,595
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See Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial Data

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Notes to the Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet as of November 30, 1998

(a) Reflects the estimated purchase accounting adjustments for the Acquisition based upon a preliminary appraisal of the assets and liabilities assumed. For purchase accounting, Matthew Clark assets have been recorded at estimated fair market value subject to adjustments based upon the results of an independent appraisal. The estimated amounts recorded for assets and liabilities acquired from Matthew Clark are not expected to differ materially from the final assigned values. Purchase accounting adjustments were recorded to increase property, plant and equipment by \$13,609, to increase the recorded value of tradenames and other intangible assets acquired by \$54,604 and to reduce the recorded excess of purchase cost over fair market value of assets acquired by \$375,514. These adjustments are required to record these assets at their estimated fair market values.

The calculation of excess purchase cost over fair value of net assets acquired is as follows:

## <TABLE>

<pre><s> Cash paid Financing costs. Direct acquisition costs.</s></pre>	1,010
Liabilities assumed	372,268 5,058
Total purchase cost.  Net book value of Matthew Clark.  Write-down of acquired goodwill.  Increase in appraised net assets.  Finance costs capitalized.  Deferred taxes provided.	(702,563) 532,946 (68,213) (1,010)
Excess of purchase cost over fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed	\$157 <b>,</b> 432

## </TABLE>

- (b) Reflects the liability for direct acquisition costs of \$8,919 and assumed liabilities of \$5,058. Capitalized financing costs of \$1,010 were funded through the bank credit facility.
- (c) Represents the write-off of the direct financing costs of \$16,250 for the Offering and \$3,384 of remaining net book value of the Company's previously existing credit agreement, tax effected at the Company's historical rate of 41%.
- (d) To reflect the Acquisition financing, refinancing of the Company's Revolving Credit Facility (notes payable) and Term Loans and refinancing of Matthew Clark's long-term debt as set out below:

Repayment of notes payable	\$(114,500)
Repayment of Term Loanscurrent portion	(24,000)
Repayment of Term Loanslong term	(98,000)
Purchase of Matthew Clark shares	(362,339)
Payment of financing costs	(17,260)
Repayment of Matthew Clark debt	(102,008)
New Term Loan borrowings	700,000
New Revolver Loan borrowings	18,107
	\$ 0
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## </TABLE>

- (e) Represents deferred taxes of \$18,946 provided on a step-up in basis on appraised net assets.
  - (f) Reflects the elimination of Matthew Clark's shareholders' equity.

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## CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year Ended February 28, 1998

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

	Canandaigua		Acquisition Adjustments	Pro Forma for the Acquisition
		(in	Thousands, exc	ept Per Share Data)
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>		<c></c>
Gross sales LessExcise taxes				\$ 2,542,427 (643,700)
Net sales Cost of product sold	1,212,788 (864,053)	685,939 (460,093)	1,474 (a)	1,898,727 (1,322,672)
6	240.725			
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative	348,735	225,846	1,474	576,055
expenses	(231,680)	(181,572)	1,723 (a) 8,801 (b) 1,151 (c)	
Operating income	117.055	44.274		174.478
Interest expense, net			(35,366) (d)	•
Income before provision for				
income taxes Provision for income	84,866	35,699	(22,217)	98,348
taxes	(34,795)	(14,792)	10,248 (e)	(39,339)
Net income	\$ 50,071			•
Share Data: Earnings per common share:				
Basic	\$ 2.68			\$ 3.16 =======
Diluted				\$ 3.09
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	,			18,672
Diluted				

 19,105 |  |  | 19,105 |See Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial Data

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Notes to the Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Statements of Income for the Year ended February 28, 1998

(a) Reflects the adjusted depreciation expense related to the acquired property, plant and equipment of Mathew Clark on the assumption that the Acquisition had taken place on March 1, 1997. These assets have been restated at their estimated fair market values and depreciated using the Company's

depreciation methods over the remaining useful lives of the assets. The decrease in depreciation expense of \$3,197, as compared to that recorded by Matthew Clark, was allocated to cost of product sold and selling, general and administrative expenses as indicated.

- (b) Reflects a decrease in amortization expense of intangible assets of \$8,801 based upon their appraised values, using the straight-line method and estimated useful lives, predominately 40 years.
- (c) Reflects the amortization expense of deferred financing costs of \$168 over the term of the bank credit facility used to finance the Acquisition (72 months) using the effective interest method, net of \$1,319 of amortization expense recorded under the Company's previously existing credit agreement.
- (d) Reflects the additional interest expense incurred on the debt to finance the Acquisition and the incremental interest expense on the Company's and Matthew Clark's existing borrowings, resulting from the higher interest rate in the bank credit facility. The overall effective interest rate was 8.8% per annum.
- (e) Reflects the tax effect of the pro forma adjustments and the repatriation of profits, excluding the impact of nondeductible items, primarily goodwill, using an effective tax rate of 40%.
- (f) Does not reflect the extraordinary treatment for the after tax write-off of \$11.6 million (\$0.61 per diluted share), representing the net book value of bank fees resulting from the extinguishment of debt remaining under the Company's previously existing credit agreement, tax effected at the Company's historical rate of 41\$.

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## CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Nine Month Period Ended November 30, 1998

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

	Canandaigua	Clark(a) Adjustments t		Pro Forma for the Acquisition
<s> Gross sales LessExcise taxes</s>		<c> \$661,151</c>	(in Thousands, <c> \$ </c>	except Per Share Data) <c></c>
Net sales Cost of product sold	1,037,900	493,206	 1,404 (b)	1,531,106
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative				466,876
expenses	(202,561)	(128, 384)	1,846 (b) 6,672 (c) 951 (d)	(321,476)
Nonrecurring restructuring expense				(18,271)
Operating income Interest expense, net		9,443	10,873	127,129
Income before provision for income taxes Provision for income taxes	83,113 (34,076)	2,972 (4,205)	(15,754) (f) 10,149 (d)	70,331 (28,132)
Net income	\$ 49,037			•
Share Data: Earnings per common share: Basic				\$ 2.29
Diluted				\$ 2.24
Weighted average common outstanding: Basic	18,412	 	 	18,412 18,881
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Notes to the Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Statements of Income for the Nine Months ended November 30, 1998

- (a) The financial statements of Matthew Clark for the nine month period were derived by adding the three month period ended April 30, 1998, to Matthew Clark's six month period ended October 31, 1998. The three month period ended April 30, 1998, was also included in the 1998 Pro Forma Statement of Income. Net sales and net income for the duplicated quarter is \$153,858 and \$3,555, respectively.
- (b) Reflects the adjusted depreciation expense related to the acquired property, plant and equipment of Matthew Clark on the assumption that the Acquisition had taken place on March 1, 1998. These assets have been restated at their estimated fair market values and depreciated using the Company's depreciation methods over the remaining useful lives of the assets. The decrease in depreciation expense of \$3,250, as compared to that recorded by Matthew Clark, was allocated to cost of product sold and selling, general and administrative expenses as indicated.
- (c) Reflects a decrease in amortization expense of intangible assets of \$6,672 based upon their appraised values, using the straight-line method and estimated useful lives, predominately 40 years.
- (d) Reflects the amortization expense of deferred financing costs of \$126 over the term of the bank credit facility used to finance the Acquisition (72 months) using the effective interest method, net of \$1,077 of amortization expense recorded under the Company's previously existing credit agreement.
- (e) Reflects the additional interest expense incurred on the debt to finance the Acquisition and the incremental interest expense on the Company's and Matthew Clark's existing borrowings, resulting from the higher interest rate in the bank credit facility. The overall effective interest rate was 8.8% per annum.
- (f) Reflects the tax effect of the pro forma adjustments and the repatriation of profits, excluding the impact of nondeductible items, primarily goodwill, using an effective tax rate of 40%.
- (g) Does not reflect the extraordinary treatment for the after tax write-off of \$11.6 million (\$0.61 per diluted share), representing the net book value of bank fees resulting from the extinguishment of debt remaining under the Company's previously existing credit agreement, tax effected at the Company's historical rate of 41\$.

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#### CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Twelve Month Period Ended November 30, 1998

Pro Forma

<TABLE>

	Canandaigua		Pro Forma Adjustments	for the Acquisition
		(in Th	ousands, exce	pt Per Share Data)
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Gross sales LessExcise taxes		\$ 915,200 (236,835)	\$ 	\$ 2,669,368 (670,553)
	1,320,450 (925,832)	•	1,569(b)	
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative	394,618	219,872	1,569	616,059
expenses	(262,469)	(181,923)	1,880(b) 8,903(c) 1,267(d)	(432,342)
Nonrecurring				
restructuring expenses.		(18,280)		(18,280)
Operating income	132,149	·	13,619	
Interest expense, net	(32,004)	(8,893)	(35,246) (e)	(/0,143)

Income before provision for income taxes Provision for income taxes	100,145 (41,059)	,	(21,627) (f) 12,986 (d)		•
Net income	\$ 59 <b>,</b> 086	\$ 3,131 ======	\$ (8,641)(g)	\$	53 <b>,</b> 576
Share Data: Earnings per common share:					
Basic	\$ 3.21				2.90
Diluted	\$ 3.13			\$ ==	2.82
Weighted average common shares outstanding:					
Basic Diluted 					

 18,412 18,881 |  |  |  | 18,484 18,967 |See Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial Data

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Notes to the Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Statements of Income for the Twelve Months ended November 30, 1998

- (a) The financial statements of Matthew Clark for the twelve month period were derived by adding the six month period ended April 30, 1998 to Matthew Clark's six month period ended October 31, 1998. The six month period ended April 30, 1998 was also included in the 1998 Pro Forma Statement of Income. Net sales and Net Income (loss) for the duplicated six months is \$339,017 and \$7,919, respectively.
- (b) Reflects the adjusted depreciation expense related to the acquired property, plant and equipment of Matthew Clark on the assumption that the Acquisition had taken place on December 1, 1997. These assets have been restated at their estimated fair market values and depreciated using the Company's depreciation methods over the remaining useful lives of the assets. The decrease in depreciation expense of \$3,449, as compared to that recorded by Matthew Clark, was allocated to cost of product sold and selling, general and administrative expenses as indicated.
- (c) Reflects a decrease in amortization expense of intangible assets of \$8,903 based upon their appraised values, using the straight-line method and estimated useful lives, predominately 40 years.
- (d) Reflects the amortization expense of deferred financing costs of \$168 over the term of the bank credit facility used to finance the Acquisition (72 months) using the effective interest method, net of \$1,435 of amortization expense recorded under the Company's previously existing credit agreement.
- (e) Reflects the additional interest expense incurred on the debt to finance the Acquisition and the incremental interest expense on the Company's and Matthew Clark's existing borrowings, resulting from the higher interest rate in the bank credit facility. The overall effective interest rate was 8.8% per annum.
- (f) Reflects the tax effect of the pro forma adjustments and the repatriation of profits, excluding the impact of nondeductible items, primarily goodwill, using an effective tax rate of 40%.
- (g) Does not reflect the extraordinary treatment for the after tax write-off of \$11.6 million (\$0.61 per diluted share), representing the net book value of bank fees resulting from the extinguishment of debt remaining under the Company's previously existing credit agreement, tax effected at the Company's historical rate of 41%.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CANANDAIGUA BRANDS, INC.

Dated: February 12, 1999

By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

## Officer

BATAVIA WINE CELLARS, INC.

## SUBSIDIARIES

			BATAVIA WINE CELLARS, INC.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Treasurer
			CANANDAIGUA WINE COMPANY, INC.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Treasurer
			CANANDAIGUA EUROPE LIMITED
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Treasurer
			CANANDAIGUA LIMITED
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
Dateu.	repluary 12,	1999	
			Thomas S. Summer, Director (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)
			POLYPHENOLICS, INC.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Vice President and Treasurer
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			ROBERTS TRADING CORP.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
	,		Thomas S. Summer, Treasurer
			BARTON INCORPORATED
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Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Vice President
			BARTON BRANDS, LTD.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Vice President
			BARTON BEERS, LTD.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
			Thomas S. Summer, Vice President
			BARTON BRANDS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer
	_ ,		Thomas S. Summer, Vice President
			The state of the s
			BARTON BRANDS OF GEORGIA, INC.
Dated:	February 12,	1999	By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

BARTON DISTILLERS IMPORT CORP.

Dated: February 12, 1999 By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

BARTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: February 12, 1999 By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

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STEVENS POINT BEVERAGE CO.

Dated: February 12, 1999 By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

MONARCH IMPORT COMPANY

Dated: February 12, 1999 By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

THE VIKING DISTILLERY, INC.

Dated: February 12, 1999 By: /s/ Thomas S. Summer

Thomas S. Summer, Vice President

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## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

- (1) UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT
  - Not Applicable.
- (2) PLAN OF ACQUISITION, REORGANIZATION, ARRANGEMENT, LIQUIDATION OR SUCCESSION
- (4) INSTRUMENTS DEFINING THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS, INCLUDING INDENTURES Not Applicable.
- (16) LETTER RE CHANGE IN CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT Not Applicable.
- (17) LETTER RE DIRECTOR RESIGNATION Not Applicable.
- (20) OTHER DOCUMENTS OR STATEMENTS TO SECURITY HOLDERS Not Applicable.
- (23) CONSENTS OF EXPERTS AND COUNSEL
- 23.1 Consent of KPMG Audit Plc (filed herewith).
- (24) POWER OF ATTORNEY Not Applicable.
- (27) FINANCIAL DATA SCHEDULE Not Applicable.
- (99) ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS

None

## EXHIBIT 23.1

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Nos. 33-26694 and 33-56557) and Form S-3 (Nos. 333-40571 and 333-67037) of Canandaigua Brands, Inc. of our report dated November 30, 1998 with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Matthew Clark plc and its subsidiaries as of April 30, 1998 and 1997, and the related consolidated profit and loss accounts and cash flow statements for each of the years in the three-year period ended April 30, 1998, which report appears in the Form 8-K/A of Canandaigua Brands, Inc. dated February 12, 1999.

/s/ KPMG Audit Plc Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor London, England February 12, 1999