

proclaim that, in addition to the blockade of the ports specified in my Proclamation of 22nd April 1898, the United States of America has instituted and will maintain an effective blockade of all the ports on the south coast of Cuba, from Cape Francis to Cape Cruz, inclusive, and also of the port of San Juan, in the Island of Porto Rico.

Neutral vessels lying in any of the ports to which the blockade is by the present Proclamation extended, will be allowed thirty days to issue therefrom, with cargo.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-seventh day of June A.D. 1898, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second.

(L.S.) WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

By the President :

J. B. MOORE, Acting Secretary of State.

WHITEHALL, July 18, 1898.

The Secretary of State hereby gives notice that the Edinburgh School Board's Day Industrial School, at St. John's Hill, Edinburgh, has been certified by him as a Day Industrial School for the purpose of "The Elementary Education Act, 1876," and the Order in Council of the 20th of March 1877, fitted for the reception of one hundred and sixty inmates.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACTS,  
1878 TO 1895.

PARTICULARS OF PIECEWORK WAGES.  
TEXTILE WORKSHOPS.

In pursuance of section 1 of "The Rules Publication Act, 1893," notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for the Home Department proposes, at the expiration of forty days from the publication of this notice, to make an Order under section 40 of "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1895," applying that section to textile workshops.

Copies of the draft of the proposed Order may be obtained from the Factory Department, Home Office, Whitehall, S. W.

Whitehall, July 19, 1898.

COAL MINES REGULATION ACT, 1896.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that, on the 11th July 1898, he made an Order, under section 6 of "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1896," entitled the Explosives in Coal Mines Order of 11th July 1898. This Order repeals the Order of the 4th February 1898, and re-enacts it with the addition to the "Permitted List" of the following new explosives :—British Gelignite, Elephant Brand Gunpowder, Kynoch Gelignite, Nahnsen's Gelignite, National Gelignite, Oxalate Blasting Powder, and Sun Gelignite, and of Electronite No. 2 in paper cases.

Copies of the Order may be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre & Spottiswoode, East Hardinge Street, Fleet Street, E.C.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

July 19, 1898.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations have been approved by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, viz. :—

SPECIAL REGULATIONS (supplementary to the General Regulations issued 8th April 1872, and amended by subsequent Notices in the London Gazette) respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the situation of Junior Assistant in the South Kensington Museum (Science Branch).

*N.B.*—These Regulations are liable to alteration for future Examinations.

I. The limits of age for this situation are 18 and 25, and Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

II. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz. :—

<i>(A) Obligatory :</i>	Marks.
1. Geometrical Drawing ... ..	500
2. English Composition ... ..	500
3. Mathematics, viz. :— Arithmetic, Algebra, up to and including the Binomial Theorem, Euclid, Books I. to IV. ... ..	750
4. And one of the following :—	
(a) Biology ... ..	500
(b) Chemistry ... ..	500
(c) Physics ... ..	500
(d) Geology ... ..	500
(e) Higher Mathematics ... ..	500
(f) Applied Mechanics and Machine Drawing ... ..	500

*(B) Optional :*

- 5. Any two of the last group not taken as an Obligatory Subject ... .. 500 (each)
- 6. Any two of the following languages :—
 

(a) Latin	}	translation from	{	250	(each)	
(b) Greek						and into :
(c) French						
(d) German						

III. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such times and in such manner as the Commissioners may appoint.

IV. A fee of £6 will be required from each Candidate attending the Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination will be held in London, under the foregoing Regulations, commencing on the 11th October 1898.

The number of situations to be filled will be the number vacant at the time of the Examination.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 28th September, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.