WHITEHALL, April 5, 1899.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Sir Edward John Poynter, President of the Royal Academy, Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of a Commander of the Order of Leopold, conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of the Belgians, in recognition of his services in organising the British Fine Art Section of the Brussels International Exhibition of 1897.

WHITEHALL, April 5, 1899.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain William Eliot Peyton, D.S.O., 15th (King's) Hussars, Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Order of the Medjidieh of the Fourth Class, conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of his services as an Officer of the Egyptian Army during the recent Soudan Campaign.

WHITEHALL, April 5, 1899.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain Ernest Harcourt Goldie-Taubman Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Order of "The Hamondieh," conferred upon him by His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar, in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions in His Highness' service.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, March 30, 1899.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that, at an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Assistant Civil Engineer (2nd Grade) in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home and Abroad, under the Admiralty, held in London on the 28th February 1899 and following days, notice of which Examination was given in the London Gazette of the 3rd January 1899, the under-mentioned Candidates obtained the first three places :-

No. in Order of Merit.	Name.
1	Pearson, Richard Francis Malachy
2	Clark, Franklin
3	Setchell, Herbert Martin

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, April 7, 1899.

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 respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the Situation of Surveyor and Draughtsman in the Irish Land Commission.

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

I. The limits of age for this situation are 21 and 28, and Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

II. Candidates will be required to show what technical education and practical training they have undergone to qualify themselves for a situation of this nature. Evidence on this point must be sent in at such times and in such manner as the Civil Service Commissioners may appoint. If such evidence should prove primâ facie satis-factory, the Candidate will be admitted to Examination, subject, in the case of his being successful in the Competition, to such further inquiry, and the production of such further evidence, as may be necessary.

III. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz. :-

- 1. Handwriting.
- 2. Orthography.
- 3. English Composition.
- 4. Mathematics : Arithmetic, Algebra, up to and including the Binomial Theorem; the theory and use of Logarithms; Euclid, Books I. to IV. and VI.; Plane Trigonometry, up to and including the Solution of Triangles; Mensuration. 5. Land Surveying and Levelling.

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

V. A fee of £1 will be required from every Candidate attending the Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for the situation of Surveyor and Draughtsman in the Irish Land Commission will be held in Dublin, commencing on the 23rd May 1899, under the foregoing Regulations.

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 5th May, an application in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

April 7, 1899.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for Eastern Cadetships will be held in London, commencing on the 1st August 1899, under the

Regulations dated 1st December 1897. No person will be admitted to compete from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 1st July, an application in the handwriting of the Candidate, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.