

POST OFFICE.

FOREIGN AND COLONIAL POST.

In pursuance of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, His Majesty's Postmaster-General hereby gives notice that a Warrant, dated the 14th day of February 1907, and coming into operation on the 11th day of March 1907, has been made, on his representation, by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Post Office Acts, specifying the rates of postage payable in respect of letters posted in Ascension for transmission to Egypt and the Soudan.

And the Postmaster-General further gives notice that copies of the said Warrant may be purchased, either directly or through any bookseller, from Oliver & Boyd, Edinburgh; or Wyman & Sons Limited, Fetter Lane, E.C.; or Edward Ponsonby, 116 Grafton Street, Dublin.

Dated this 27th day of February 1907.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

March 1, 1907.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Assistant Examiner in the Patent Office Department of the Board of Trade will be held in London, commencing on the 8th May 1907, under the Regulations dated the 16th December 1902, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

Not fewer than 16 Candidates will be appointed on the result of this Examination, if so many should be found to be duly qualified.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 4th April, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

March 1, 1907.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :—

REGULATIONS respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the Situation of Male Learner in the Department of the Postmaster-General in Dublin.

These Regulations are liable to alteration for future Examinations.

1. The limits of age for this situation are 15 and 18. If an examination begins in January, February, or March in any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of January in that year. If an examination begins in April, May, or June in any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of April in that year. If an examination begins in July, August, or September in any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of July in that year. If an examination

begins in October, November, or December in any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of October in that year.

2. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners—

(a) That they are duly qualified in respect of health * and character.

(b) That they are natural-born or naturalised British subjects.

3. At each Examination the number of Candidates to be selected will be such as the Postmaster-General may from time to time fix.

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

1. English Composition (including Writing and Spelling).

2. Arithmetic (first four rules, Simple and Compound, including English and Metrical Weights and Measures, Reduction, Vulgar Fractions and Decimals, excluding Recurring Decimals).

3. Geography (general).

Candidates who fail to obtain such an aggregate number of marks as may indicate in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners a competent amount of general proficiency will not be regarded as qualified.

5. No Candidate will be admitted to examination who does not, at such time as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners, produce an undertaking, signed by his parent or guardian, that he will, if successful, reside within a suitable distance from the Post Office either with his parents or guardians, or with relations or friends approved by such parents or guardians.

6. Candidates must be at least 5 feet in height, and no officer will be retained in the Service who does not attain the height of 5 feet 4 inches before reaching the age of 19.

7. (i.) Persons actually serving in the Army or Navy are ineligible to compete. (ii.) Persons holding situations in the Civil Service, Probationary Engineer Cadets in the Navy, and Apprentices in His Majesty's Dockyards, must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination, before the commencement of the competition.

8. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

9. A fee of 4s. will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Male Learner in Dublin in the Department of the Postmaster-General will be held in Dublin under the foregoing Regulations, on the 17th April 1907.

Appointments will be offered to not fewer than four of the Candidates highest on the list, provided they obtain the necessary aggregate of marks and are duly qualified in other respects.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 27th March, an application in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

* Re-vaccination will be required before appointment unless the Candidate exhibits good marks of primary and secondary vaccination, or good marks of vaccination with definite evidence of having had smallpox.