CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. March 5, 1915.

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 Situations of SORTING Assistant (heretofore styled "Female Sorter") IN THE GENERAL Post Office, London, and Female Card TELLER IN THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSIONS FOR ENGLAND. SCOTLAND. IRE-LAND, AND WALES.

These Regulations are liable to alteration for tuture Examinations.

1. The limits of age for these situations are 15 and 18. If an Examination begins in one of the first six months of any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of April in that year. If an Examination begins in one of the last six months of any year, Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of October in that year.

In reckoning age for competition, persons who have served for two full consecutive years in any Civil situation to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding five years which they may have spent in such service.

Persons transferred to situations in the Post Office from a Telephone Company or Municipal Telephone Undertaking, on the absorption of such Company or Undertaking by the Post Office, may reckon, as if it were service in a situation to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners. their continuous service in the Post Office, as well as so much of their previous continuous service in the Telephone Company or Undertaking (or in any Telephone Company or Municipal Telephone Undertaking previously absorbed by it) as was rendered in situations for which a Civil Service Certificate is ordinarily required.

- 2. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners-
 - (a) That they are unmarried or widows.
 - (b) That they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.
 - (c) That they are natural born or naturalised British subjects.
- 3. At each Examination the number of Candidates to be selected will be such as may from time to time be fixed.
- 4. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz. :-
 - 1. Reading MS.
 - 2. Writing.
 - 3. Spelling.
 - 4. Arithmetic.
 - 5. Geography.

such an aggregate number of marks as to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners.

- 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 her Parent or Guardian, that she will, if successful, reside either with her parents or guardians, or with relations or friends approved by such parents or guardians.
- 6. Candidates for the Post Office Service must be at least 5 feet in height.
- 7. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination, before the commencement of the competition.
- 8. Persons who have entered upon or completed a course of education or training for the occupation of teacher, on account of which grants are payable from the Exchequer, will not be qualified to receive appointments until the consent of the Board of Education in England, the Committee of Council on Education for Scotland, or the Commissioners of National Education, Ireland, as the case may be, given in conformity with rules sanctioned by the Lords of the Treasury, has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.
- 9. 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.
- A fee of 3s. will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination will be held in London, under the foregoing Regulations, on the 21st May 1915.

Appointments will be offered to not fewer than 5 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 29th April, an application on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

INDIA OFFICE, March 8, 1915.

The Secretary of State for India in Council has appointed John Young to superintend the transfer of lascars, or other persons, at Leith, and to grant the certificate required under section 125 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vic., cap. 60).

The fee to be paid for every lascar, or other person, in respect of whom such certificate is applied for is limited to three shillings, and in no case is the total amount of fees in respect Candidates must pass in Writing and obtain of one crew to exceed five pounds.