by the Civil Service Commissioners of a certificate of qualification; a fee of £4, being the balance of the prescribed fee of £8, is payable before the certificate of qualification can be issued.

Civil Service Commission, October 21, 1930.

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

REGULATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT BY COM-PETITIVE SELECTION OF FISHERY OFFICERS (MALE) IN THE FISHERIES DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

N.B.—These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

- 1. Application for appointment shall be made in the first instance to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Ministry. When a vacancy occurs, the Ministry will cause notice to be given by an advertisement in the Press, which will include a statement of the last day fixed for the receipt of applications.
- 2. A candidate for the post of Fishery Officer must have attained the age of 25 and must not have attained the age of 35 on the last day fixed for the receipt of applications; provided that in reckoning age for this purpose a candidate who served in the Army, Navy, or Air Force between the 4th August 1914 and the 11th November 1918, may deduct from his actual age any period of service between the 4th August 1914 and the 31st December 1919.
- 3. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, the son of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made:—
 - (a) In the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.
 - (b) In the case of natural-born British subjects who served in His Majesty's Armed Forces in the Great War between 4th August 1914 and 11th November 1918.
 - (c) In the case of natural-born British subjects who have satisfactorily completed a period of not less than five years' service on full pay in His Majesty's Regular Forces.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied, in the case of any candidate who is a British subject, but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the

paternal grandfather of the candidate was a natural-born British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.

- 4. Until further notice preference will be given to candidates who served in His Majesty's Forces during the War between the 4th August 1914 and the 11th November 1918.
- 5. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to apply for appointment.

No person actually serving in the Army, Navy, or Air Force will be eligible for consideration unless he produces, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to apply for appointment, dated before his appearance before the Selection Board, and given in accordance with such orders as may from time to time be issued.

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

- 6. A candidate must satisfy the Ministry that he possesses a sound general education and will be required to have had experience of fisheries, or of the fishing industry or of seamanship. Where special qualifications are required, particulars will be given in the advertisement.
- 7. The completed application forms will be scrutinised by the Ministry and selected candidates will be interviewed by a Board consisting of representatives of the Ministry and of the Civil Service Commissioners. The Board will recommend to the Ministry for appointment to the vacancies existing those candidates who appear to them to possess the highest qualifications, provided they find so many suitable.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's previous work.

- 8. The necessary number of candidates will be appointed on probation, subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners that they are eligible for appointment in respect of age, nationality, health and character, and to the payment of a fee of £4.
- 9. The retention of the Officer will be conditional on the Ministry being satisfied as to his conduct and capacity.
- 10. Service as Fishery Officer will be probationary for a period of two years, on the completion of which he will be eligible for consideration for appointment to the established staff. Appointment to the established staff is conditional on the issue by the Civil Service Commissioners of a Certificate of Qualification. A fee of £4, being the balance of the prescribed fee of £8, is payable before the Certificate of Qualification can be issued.