

[The following Appointment is substituted for that which appeared in the Gazette of the 20th ultimo.]

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the City and County of the City of Edinburgh, and Liberties thereof.

Queen's (City of Edinburgh) Rifle Volunteer Brigade.

Thomas J. Mortimer to be Ensign, vice Hawley, promoted. Dated 6th June, 1871.

Treasury, July 1, 1871.

The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury hereby notify that the employment of Short-hand Writer in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel is added to Schedule B of the Order in Council, dated 4th June, 1870, relative to Her Majesty's Civil Establishments.

"THE FAIRS ACT, 1871."

FINNINGHAM FAIR, SUFFOLK.

IN pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, I, the Right Honourable Henry Austin Bruce, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, hereby notify as follows:

1. By Memorial, dated the 12th day of June, 1871, a representation has been duly made to me by the Magistrates of the Petty Sessional District of Hartismere, in the county of Suffolk, that a Fair has been annually held in the parish of Finningham, in the said district and county, on the 4th and 5th days of September, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that such fair should be abolished.

2. On the 1st day of August, 1871, I shall take the aforesaid representation into consideration, and all persons are to intimate, before that day, any objection they may desire to offer to the abolition of the said fair.

(Signed) *H. A. Bruce.*

Whitehall, June 30, 1871.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury having certified to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in pursuance of the Act 29 and 30 Vic., c. 39, sec. 16, that the actual surplus revenue of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, beyond the actual expenditure thereof for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1871, amounted to the sum of two hundred and forty-six thousand six hundred and eighty pounds eighteen shillings and six pence.

The Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt hereby give notice, that the sum of sixty-one thousand six hundred and seventy pounds four shillings and seven pence, being one-fourth part of the said surplus of two hundred and forty-six thousand six hundred and eighty pounds eighteen shillings and six pence, will be applied under the provisions of the said Act, in the quarter ending the 30th day of September, 1871, towards the reduction of the National Debt.

A. P. Spearman, Comptroller-General.

National Debt Office, July 1, 1871.

SCHOOL OF NAVAL ARCHITECTURE, &c.

Admiralty, June 20, 1871.

THE Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty hereby give notice, that the arrangements for the admission of persons, not already in the Government service, to the Royal School of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, as Admiralty Pupils, will, for the present year, be as follows:—

Candidates must not be less than 18 or more than 21 years of age, and must have served at least two years in private shipbuilding or engineering establishments, or must give satisfactory proof that they have in some way been so connected with shipbuilding or engineering operations as to become well-grounded in the elementary principles and practice thereof.

The pupils will be selected by competitive examination, the subjects for which, and numbers of marks assigned for each, are as follows:—

	Marks.
Pure mathematics, including arithmetic, mensuration, geometry (plane and descriptive), plane trigonometry, and the elements of the differential and integral calculus	2,500
Applied mathematics, including mechanics and hydrostatics	1,000
Practical shipbuilding, including laying-off (for shipwright candidates only) ...	2,500
Practical marine engineering (for engineer candidates only)	2,500
French	500
Elements of physics and chymistry ...	750
English grammar and composition ...	750
Geography and history	750

No candidate will be admitted who does not obtain at least two-thirds of the full number of marks in the two first-named subjects, and three-fifths of the full number, either for practical shipbuilding or marine engineering.

The last four subjects, although counting in the competition, will not be considered obligatory.

The candidates who may be selected will be treated, while attached to the school, in all respects as the Admiralty pupils; they will receive wages the same as dockyard apprentices, commencing at 1s. 6d. per day for six days per week for first year, and increasing yearly 3d. per day till it reaches 2s. per day; and in addition a subsistence allowance of 3s. per day for seven days per week while away from their homes, either at the school or in the dockyards.

Seven months of each year—viz., from October till May—will be devoted to study at the school, and the remaining five months to actual work and the acquirement of practical knowledge in the dockyards.

It is to be understood that the Admiralty make no engagement to employ these pupils after the completion of their course of study; and they must rely on their own worth, as educated naval architects, for obtaining employment in their subsequent career.

The number of such pupils to be selected this year is one shipwright and one engineer.

Persons desirous of competing must forward their names, with a certificate of birth, and on the grounds on which they consider themselves practically qualified, enclosing proper certificates to that effect to the Secretary of the Admiralty, not later than the 11th July.

The candidates should also state whether they wish to be examined as engineers or shipwrights.

The examination will take place on the 18th July and three following days.

By command of their Lordships,
G. Shaw Lefevre.