

5. Acting Lieutenants and Acting Sub-Lieutenants.

1. The arrangements already in force for the examination of Midshipman for the rank of Lieutenant will remain unaltered during the present year, with the following exceptions.

2. Acting Sub-Lieutenants who have passed their examination in Gunnery on board the "Excellent," but who have not yet passed in Navigation, will join the College at Greenwich, on 1st February, 1873, to prepare for their examination in Navigation.

3. Monthly examinations in Navigation to qualify Officers for the rank of Lieutenant, will, in future, take place at Greenwich, instead of, as heretofore, at Portsmouth.

4. After 1st February, 1873, Officers will proceed to the College immediately they have passed in Gunnery on board the "Excellent."

5. One month's additional time will be allowed for Acting Sub-Lieutenants to prepare for the examination in Navigation, after which time the regulations now established for officers failing to pass will be put in force.

6. During the period of study at the College, Acting Sub-Lieutenants will be borne on the books of the "Excellent," and will receive 1s. 6d. a-day towards the Mess.

The following arrangements to take effect from 1st January, 1874.

7. Midshipmen serving at home, who shall have completed the necessary term of service, and have attained the age of 19, must, within 6 months, apply for permission to be examined for the rank of Lieutenant, and present themselves on board the Ship specified on the day appointed for examination in Seamanship.

8. Having passed in Seamanship, they will proceed as Acting Sub-Lieutenants to the "Excellent" on the first specified day of entry, where they will be examined after 3 months' instruction in Gunnery.

9. After having passed such examination, they will proceed to Greenwich to study for 6 months, preparatory to their examination in Navigation, still being borne on the books of the "Excellent." They will receive 1s. 6d. a-day towards the mess during the period of their study at the College. During this period, they may present themselves for examination on one of the specified days, if they consider themselves qualified, but failing to pass, they will not be allowed a second examination until the expiration of their 6 months' term of study.

10. An Officer failing to obtain a Certificate in Seamanship at the appointed examination will be re-examined at the end of 3 months; if he should then fail, he will be given another opportunity at the expiration of a further period of 3 months.

11. An Officer failing to obtain a Certificate on board the "Excellent" after 3 months' instruction will be re-examined at the end of a month.

12. An Officer failing to obtain a Certificate at Greenwich after 6 months' study will be re-examined at the end of a month.

13. If an Officer fail to pass in Seamanship on his third examination, or in Gunnery after having been 4 months in the "Excellent," or in Navigation after 7 months at Greenwich, he will be discharged from the Service.

14. Midshipmen serving abroad who shall have completed the necessary term of service and have attained the age of 19, must within six months apply for permission to be examined in Seamanship, which examination will be conducted in accordance with existing regulations, and, having passed, will, on their arrival in England, follow the regulations laid down for

Acting Sub-Lieutenants, who have passed in Seamanship at home.

15. Certificates for all subjects will be in three Classes.

16. The examination in Navigation will include Elementary Mathematics.

17. Acting Lieutenants who have passed their examination abroad in Seamanship, will, on their arrival in England, be subject to the same regulations as those which apply to Acting Sub-Lieutenants.

18. The present rewards to those who pass the highest examination for the rank of Lieutenant will be continued, viz. :—

A Lieutenant's Commission will be given in June and December of each year, to the Sub-Lieutenant who has passed the best examination in Navigation at the College during the preceding six months, provided he has obtained First Class Certificates in Seamanship and Gunnery, and has reached a certain standard in the College examination.

The Class of Certificate obtained will be noted against the Sub-Lieutenants' names in the Navy List.

A Prize of Books or Instruments will be bestowed on Sub-Lieutenants who obtain First Class Certificates in all subjects.

6. Officers of Royal Marine Artillery and Light Infantry.

1. Two Officers of the Royal Marine Artillery, and six Officers of the Royal Marine Light Infantry below the regimental rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, who have been embarked for not less than two years, may be admitted annually as Students. They will be examined on entry, and end of their first term indicates satisfactory progress may remain two terms, if the examination at the gross.

2. They will receive their full pay and 1s. 6d. a-day towards the mess.

7. Officers of the Engineer Branch.

1. Three Chief Engineers and seven Engineers (or 1st Class Assistant-Engineers who have not had the advantage of study at Greenwich or South Kensington) may be admitted to Greenwich annually, as Students.

2. They will be examined on entry in Elementary Mathematics.

3. They will remain one term at Greenwich, and will be examined before leaving, in the subjects they have studied.

4. A limited number of these Officers may be permitted to remain a second term, for study, if they be desirous of doing so, on the recommendation of the Examiners to the Admiralty, with the concurrence of the President.

5. During the period of study at Greenwich, Chief Engineers will be allowed the amount of their Sea Pay; Engineers and 1st Class Assistant Engineers will be borne on the books of one of Her Majesty's Ships, and all will receive 1s. 6d. a-day towards the mess.

ENGINEER Students will in future be entered annually at the Dockyards between the ages of 14 and 15. The examination will take place in June in each year, and will be held by the Civil Service Commissioners in London, as well as at the Dockyards, viz., at Chatham, Sheerness, Portsmouth, and Devonport.

Candidates will be admitted between the ages of 14 and 16 at the examination in June, 1873.

Engineer Students will remain for 6 years at the Dockyards for practical training in the Factories, the Fitting and Erecting Shops, and to receive instruction in Iron Shipbuilding.