February 8, 1887.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Post Office: Telegraph Learner, London, George Vincent Symmons.

Female Telegraph Learner, London, Emily

Isabel Hickman.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

National Education Office, Ireland, Inspector's Assistant, Isaiah Joseph Stokes.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Admiralty: Pensioner Messenger, John Isaac.

High Court of Justice, England, Third Class Clerk, Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division, Frederick William Prescott.

Post Office: Postman or Sorter, London, George Ernest Purry.

Porter, London, Henry Samuel Graver.

Lineman, William James Stevens.

Postmen, Charles Horace Davoll (Lichfield), Dan Dyson (Huddersfield), William Freeman (Cambridge), Percival Clement Holden (Sevenoaks), Robert Mill Ogilvie (Dundee), Emery Thomas Southam (Peterborough), George Teale (Huddersfield).

February 9, 1887.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Inland Revenue: Assistant of Excise, James MacFaul.

Post Office: Telegraph Learner, London, Walter Edward Austen.

Female Telegraph Learners, London, Maud Deakins, Edith Westbrook.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum: Female Attendant, Georgina Goodfellow.

Post Office: Postmen or Sorters, London, William Joshua Adcock, Philip Caney, John Goodwin. Clerks and Telegraph Learners.

Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners, William Arthur Gardiner (Ipswich), Alfred Edward Wharton (Portsmouth).

Postmen, Frank Reuben Farmer (Derby), Edwin Riley (Wolverhampton), Joseph Wragg (Doncaster).

UNDER CLAUSE VII. OF THE ORDER IN COUNCIL of 4th June, 1870.

Inland Revenue: Clerks, Lower Division, Joseph Barter, George Thomas Nicholls.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 24 of the year 1887.)
NORTH AMERICA—WEST COAST.—CALIFORNIA. (1.) Point Purissima—Non-existence of Automatic Signal Buoy.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 280 (2) of 24th November, 1886, on a buoy, fitted with an automatic whistle, having been seen off the extreme of a reef extending about 2½ cables S.S.W. from Point Purissima:

Information has been received from the United States Government that this reef is not marked

by a buoy.

(2.) Point Arguilla—Automatic Signal Buoy. Also, that a buoy (placed in the year 1885) fitted with an automatic whistle, is moored off Point Arguilla, about 11 miles southward of Point Purissima.

Position (approximate), lat. 34° 32½′ N., long. 120° 40' W.

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer. Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

27th January, 1887.

No. 25672.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Chart :- San Diego Bay to Cape Mendocino, No. 2530.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. (No. 25 of the year 1887.)

FRANCE.

Standard Times at which Time Signals are made, with Particulars.

THE following particulars concerning the time signals on the coasts of France have been published by the French Government :-

The time signals at the undermentioned places are uniformly made at 10h. a.m. Paris mean time-equivalent to 9h. 50m. 39s. a.m. Greenwich meantime-and repeated at 10h. 2m. a.m. Paris mean time-equivalent to 9h. 52m. 39s. a.m. Greenwich mean time.

Cherbourg.—The signal is a metal disc about 3 feet in diameter, situated on the look-out of Fort l'Onglet, Quai Napoleon, at an elevation of 35 feet above the sea. The disc is placed in a vertical position five minutes before signal, and is dropped to a horizontal position, by electricity from the Naval Observatory.

Position of time signal, lat. 49° 38′ 42" N.,

long. 1° 37′ 34″ W.

Note.—Weather signals are made from the look-outs on the breakwater and at He Pelèe at the entrance to Port de Cherbourg.

Brest.—The signal is a flag hoisted five minutes

before time, as preparatory.

Position of time signal, lat. 48° 22' 46" N., long. 4° 29′ 48″ W.

L'Orient.—The signal is a ball, 4 feet in diameter and painted black (drop 511 feet), placed on a mast at the Harbour Tower, at an elevation of 130 feet above the sea. The ball is hoisted five minutes before signal, as preparatory.

Position of time signal, lat. 47° 44' 45" N., long. 3° 21' 15" W.

Fouras.—The signal is a balloon (drop $44\frac{1}{2}$ feet) placed on a tower at an elevation of 160 feet above the sea. The balloon is hoisted five minutes before signal and dropped by electricity from the Naval Observatory.

Position of time signal, lat. 45° 59' 10" N.

long. 1° 5′ 50" W. Rochefort.—The signal is a balloon (drop 36 feet) situated on the tower of St. Louis at an elevation of 143 feet above the sea. The balloon is hoisted five minutes before signal, and dropped by electricity from the Naval Observatory

Position of time signal, lat. 45° 56′ 10" N.,

long. 0° 57′ 35″ W.

Toulon.—The signal is a ball, 2 feet in diameter and painted black (drop 6½ feet), situated at the Naval Observatory at an elevation of 120 feet above the sea.

The ball is hoisted ten minutes before signal

and dropped by hand.

Note .- A red and white triangular flag is hoisted at this station on the 10th, 20th, 30th, or 31st days of each month, when observations have heen made the previous evening. If hoisted during these intervals of ten days, it signifies that the apparatus for dropping the ball is being adjusted.

By command of their Lordships, W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer. Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

29th January, 1887 This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Port de Cherbourg, No. 2602; Brest Roadstead, No. 2690; Port L'Ouis and Lorient, No. 304; France, West Coast, No. 2746; Toulon Harbour, No. 151. Also, Admiralty List of