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 Assistant must have attained the age of 25 and must not have attained the age of 32 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. A candidate must be a natural-born British subject and the child of a father also a natural-born British subject: provided that exception may be made in the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, and provided that exception may be made as regards the father in the case of candidates who served in His Majesty's Armed Forces during the Great War between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918.
- 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.

No person will be eligible who obtained from any tribunal established under the Military Service Acts, 1916 to 1918, exemption from service in His Majesty's Forces under those Acts on the ground of a conscientious objection to the undertaking of military service, or, although not so exempted, declined to comply with obligations imposed upon him by those Acts.

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. Candidates should be Honours graduates of British Universities and have had since graduating at least two years' experience either of work in Systematic Botany or of Research work in one or more of the following botanical subjects:—Morphology, Physiology, Ecology, Genetics, Economic Botany, Cryptogamic Botany. Candidates must also produce evidence of ability to translate from French and German.
- 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, who will

recommend those candidates whom they consider most suitable for appointment by the Ministry.

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.

Female candidates must be unmarried or widows and will be required to resign their appointments on marriage.

- 9. The retention of Assistants will be conditional on the Ministry being satisfied as to their conduct and capacity.
- 10. Service as Assistant will be probationary for a period of two years on the completion of which the Assistant 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.

Civil Service Commission.

December 15, 1925.

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 INSPECTORS OR ASSISTANT INSPECTORS UNDER THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES FOR WORK IN CONNECTION WITH AGRICULTURAL AND HOR-TICULTURAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH.

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 Assistant Inspector must have attained the age of 22 and, must not have attained the age of 32 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. For the post of Inspector the limits of age are 25 and 40.