

2. Candidates must be natural-born British subjects and the sons of fathers also natural-born British subjects; 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.

3. The competition will be open to:—

(a) Draughtsmen who are serving on the 20th December, 1928, in a War Department establishment and

(b) Other Engineering Draughtsmen who have *either* served in His Majesty's Forces *or* served at sea and been awarded the British War Medal or the Mercantile Marine War Medal.

4. Other things being equal, preference will be given to candidates who served in His Majesty's Forces during The Great War between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918; and as between candidates with such war service preference will be given to those who have had temporary employment in a Government Department.

5. 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.

6. Applications shall be made to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, on the prescribed form to be obtained from that Department, and completed application forms must be received by the Civil Service Commissioners not later than the 20th December, 1928.

7. Candidates will, in the first place, be required to qualify in an examination in Drawing to be held at the offices of the Civil Service Commission, Burlington Gardens, W. 1, on the 5th February, 1929. This test

will be waived in the case of candidates holding one of the following qualifications:—

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An Engineering degree of any recognised University,

who can show that they have had at least two years' drawing office experience.

8. Candidates who are successful in, or who are exempt from, this qualifying examination will be admitted to an interview before a Selection Board which shall be nominated by the Civil Service Commissioners in consultation with the authorities of the Department, who shall be represented on it. The Selection Board will select for appointment those candidates whom they consider most suitable. The decisions of the Selection Board shall be final.

9. Candidates selected for appointment must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

10. Every candidate will be required to pay a fee of 2s. 6d. at the time of application which will not be returned in any circumstances, and a candidate recommended for appointment will be required to pay a further fee of 17s. 6d. before the issue of his certificate of qualification.

11. Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons who have no personal acquaintance with their work will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work.

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY.

Whereas by Section 69 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1888, as amended by the Ministry of Health Act, 1919, it is provided that, where the total debt of a County Council after deducting the amount of any sinking fund exceeds, or if a proposed loan is borrowed will exceed, the amount of one-tenth of the annual rateable value of the rateable property in the County, the amount shall not be borrowed except in pursuance of a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Health and confirmed by Parliament:

And whereas the County Council of the County of Montgomery have made application to the Minister of Health for the issue of a Provisional Order empowering the County Council with his consent from time to time to borrow such sums as will not in the aggregate exceed by more than fifteen thousand pounds the sums which they may be authorised to borrow under the said Local Government Act, 1888, without a Provisional Order:

And whereas it is proposed to issue a Provisional Order in compliance with the said application:

Notice is hereby given that H. A. de Montmorency, Esquire, O.B.E., one of the Inspectors of the Ministry of Health, will attend at the County Offices, Welshpool, on Friday, the twenty-third day of November, 1928, at