Civil Service Commission, September 10, 1929.

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 APPOINTMENT AS NATURALIST (MALE) ON THE SCIENTIFIC STAFF OF THE FISHERY BOARD FOR SCOTLAND.

N.B.—These regulations are liable to alteration from time to time. Competitions under these regulations do not take place at fixed intervals, but are held from time to time on the occurrence of vacancies.

1. Application for appointment must be made to the Secretary of the Fishery Board for Scotland at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Fishery Board. When vacancies occur, the Fishery Board will cause notice to be given by advertisement in the Press, which will include a statement of the last day fixed for the receipt of applications.

2. Candidates must be between 22 and 26 years of age on the last day fixed for the receipt of applications. If that date were the twenty-second anniversary of a candidate's birth he would be within the limits of age; if it were the twenty-sixth anniversary he would be beyond them. Candidates who have served or are serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force may deduct from their actual age any time during which they have so served.

3. Candidates must be natural-born British subjects and the sons of fathers also naturalborn 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.

4. Candidates must have studied science at a university and proceeded to a degree. Account will be taken of the ability indicated by the degree and of the suitability of the sciences studied to the work of a naturalist. The most suitable sciences are natural history, biology and chemistry.

5. The completed application forms will be scrutinised by the Fishery Board and those candidates who appear to satisfy the conditions of these regulations will be interviewed by a Selection Board consisting of representatives of the Fishery Board and a representative of the Civil Service Commission.

6. The Selection Board will prepare a list in order of merit of those candidates whom they consider suitable for appointment.

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.

7. The necessary number of candidates will be appointed subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners that they fulfil all the conditions laid down in these regulations and are eligible in respect of health and Candidates appointed will be on character. probation for two years; if during that period a probationer is found not to be suitable or satisfactory the appointment will be termi-nated. If the service is approved at the termination of the probationary period, a certificate of qualification for the establishment of the probationer will be issued by the Civil Service Commissioners, subject to such further inquiry as they may think fit. Pension rights under the Superannuation Acts will then accrue as from the date of the original appointment.

8. A fee of £1 10s. will be payable by each candidate admitted to interview by the Selection Board. A further fee of £1 10s. (being the balance of the fee of £3 prescribed for this situation) will be payable on the issue of the certificate of qualification.

Civil Service Commission, September 10, 1929.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that a Competitive Examination among Established Members of the Minor and Manipulative Grades of the Civil Service for appointment to the Clerical Classes (General and Departmental) of the Civil Service will be held, commencing on the 28th January, 1930, under the Regulations dated the 21st October, 1927, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

The following is a provisional list of the centres at which the examination may be held:—Aberdeen, Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Hull, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Norwich, Nottingham, Plymouth, Portsmouth and Preston.

The final list of centres will be decided when the number of candidates desiring examination at each centre is known.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 5th December, 1929. an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.