

2. Candidates must be at least 22 and under 25 on the 1st January of the year in which the competition is held. But

(a) a candidate who has served or is serving on a regular (including a regular short service) engagement in H.M. Forces may deduct the period of such service from his actual age:

(b) a candidate who has served or is serving voluntarily in H.M. Forces otherwise than on a regular or short service engagement or who has performed or is performing compulsory national service under the National Service Acts may deduct the period of such service from his actual age, up to a maximum of two years:

(c) candidates who have served in any established post to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, or who have served on established conditions except for sick leave and pension in a post to which such a Certificate would normally apply, may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding two years which they may have spent in such service.

3. Candidates must be British subjects. They must also satisfy one of the following conditions:—

(a) If natural-born British subjects, they must either

(i) have at least one parent who is or was at death a British subject; or

(ii) have resided in His Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(b) If naturalised British subjects they must have resided in His Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(c) If not qualified under (a) or (b) of this paragraph they must satisfy the Commissioners that they are so closely connected with His Majesty's dominions either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in their favour.

4. Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that they have received such systematic education, general or technical, or general and technical together as in the Commissioners' opinion fits them for the posts.

The requirements of the Museum Departments differ in details, but in general candidates should possess a University degree (preferably in an Arts subject). This requirement may, however, be waived by the Commissioners if they are satisfied on other grounds as to the candidate's educational fitness. A reading knowledge of one or more modern foreign languages will be desirable in all candidates. Where special qualifications are required for a particular post, these will be specified in the announcement of a competition.

5. Those candidates who appear from their application forms to have the best qualifications will be summoned to appear before a Selection Board in London which will recommend to the Commissioners for appointment the candidates who appear to be most suitable. The Board will take into consideration the candidates' record of education and experience, any recommendation that they may receive from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work in the past, and the personal qualities of the candidates as shown at the interview, and on their estimation of the above evidence they will frame their recommendations. The decision of the Commissioners will be final.

6. Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

7. Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate Central Education authority (e.g. the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

8. Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons (except as referees to be named by them in their application form) will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work.

9. A successful candidate will be required to pay a fee of £1 before the issue of a certificate of qualification for appointment.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT.

TRUNK ROADS ACT, 1946.

The Minister of Transport hereby gives notice that he proposes to make an Order under section 1 of the Trunk Roads Act, 1946, the effect of which will be that a length of the Llanidloes-Rhayader road (A.492) near Llangurig in the County of Montgomery will become a trunk road on the first day of April next after the date on which the Order comes into operation.

Copies of the draft Order and the plan showing the existing road which will become a trunk road may be inspected by any person free of charge at all reasonable hours during a period from 23rd July, 1949, to 29th October, 1949, at the Ministry of Transport, Berkeley Square House, London, W.1, or at the offices of the Montgomery County Council, Welshpool, or at the Police Station, Llangurig, or at the offices of the Divisional Road Engineer, Marine Hydro, East Parade, Rhyl, Flint.

Any person may within a period of three months from 30th July, 1949, object to the making of the Order by notice to the Minister addressed to Berkeley Square House, London, W.1, quoting reference number TRA. 120/121.

D. C. Haselgrove,
An Assistant Secretary
of the Ministry of Transport.

Berkeley Square House,
London, W.1.
21st July, 1949.

The Minister of Transport on the 13th July, 1949, made The Foss Navigation (Increase of Charges) Order, 1949.

Copies may be obtained from the Ministry of Transport, Berkeley Square House, Berkeley Square, London, W.1.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 to 1937.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of Section 49 (3) of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, that the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries has made the following Order:—

Statutory Instruments, 1949, No. 1335.

The Live Poultry (Regulation of Sales, Exhibitions and Movements) Order, 1949 (made 15th July, 1949).

This Order, which comes into force on 25th July, 1949, has the effect of applying to the whole of England (except the counties of Cumberland, Durham, Northumberland and Westmorland and the Furness District of Lancashire) and to Wales restrictions on the holding of sales and on the movement and exhibition of live poultry. The Order also prohibits the movement of poultry from that area into the rest of Great Britain or into the Isles of Scilly and contains provisions, that apply to the whole of Great Britain, relating to the keeping of records, the cleanliness of poultry crates and the consignment of poultry to railway stations.

Copies of the above mentioned Order may be obtained from the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Animal Health Division, 30, Chester Terrace, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1, or from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2.

PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACTS, 1907 to 1946.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 20.

Notice is hereby given that an Order was made on the 20th July, 1949, restoring Letters Patent No. 554,354 dated the 7th April, 1942, and granted to Nugent Dodds (subsequently assigned to Rite-Line Corporation) for an invention entitled "Improvements in and relating to copyholders."

J. L. Blake, Comptroller-General.

The Patent Office.

POST OFFICE.

THE ALDERNEY PARCELS (CUSTOMS) WARRANT, 1949.

His Majesty's Postmaster General hereby gives notice that, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 14 and 15 of the Post Office (Parcels) Act 1882, a Warrant dated the 20th day of July, 1949, coming into operation on the 25th day of July, 1949, has been made, on his representation, by the Com-