

as to become well-grounded in the elementary principles and practice thereof.

The pupils will be selected by competitive examination, the subjects for which, and numbers of marks assigned for each, are as follows:—

	Marks.
Pure mathematics, including arithmetic, mensuration, geometry (plane and descriptive), plane trigonometry, and the elements of the differential and integral calculus	2,500
Applied mathematics, including mechanics and hydrostatics	1,000
Practical shipbuilding, including laying-off (for shipwright candidates only) ...	2,500
Practical marine engineering (for engineer candidates only)	2,500
French	500
Elements of physics and chymistry ...	750
English grammar and composition ...	750
Geography and history	750

No candidate will be admitted who does not obtain at least two-thirds of the full number of marks in the two first-named subjects, and three-fifths of the full number, either for practical shipbuilding or marine engineering.

The last four subjects, although counting in the competition, will not be considered obligatory.

The candidates who may be selected will be treated, while attached to the school, in all respects as the Admiralty pupils; they will receive wages the same as dockyard apprentices, commencing at 1s. 6d. per day for six days per week for first year, and increasing yearly 3d. per day till it reaches 2s. per day; and in addition a subsistence allowance of 3s. per day for seven days per week while away from their homes, either at the school or in the dockyards.

Seven months of each year—viz., from October till May—will be devoted to study at the school, and the remaining five months to actual work and the acquirement of practical knowledge in the dockyards.

It is to be understood that the Admiralty make no engagement to employ these pupils after the completion of their course of study; and they must rely on their own worth, as educated naval archi-

itects, for obtaining employment in their subsequent career.

The number of such pupils to be selected this year is one shipwright and one engineer.

Persons desirous of competing must forward their names, with a certificate of birth, and on the grounds on which they consider themselves practically qualified, enclosing proper certificates to that effect to the Secretary of the Admiralty, not later than the 11th July.

The candidates should also state whether they wish to be examined as engineers or shipwrights.

The examination will take place on the 18th July and three following days.

By command of their Lordships,
G. Shaw Lefevre.

In the Privy Council.

In the Matter of the Petition of Edward Cowles for a prolongation of the term of letters patent granted to John Talbot Pitman, for the invention of "improvements in apparatus for making candles and other analogous manufactures," bearing date the 6th day of October, 1857.

NOTICE is hereby given, that their Lordships, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, have appointed Monday, the 27th day of November, 1871, at eleven o'clock, A.M., for hearing the matter of the above petition.—Dated this 22nd day of June, 1871.

Woodbridge and Sons, No. 8, Clifford's-inn, Solicitors for the Petitioner.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an agreement authorized by 18 and 19 Vict., c. 63, s. 13, for the dissolution of a Friendly Society, held at the Crown Inn, Wheatley, in the county of Oxford, was transmitted to the Registrar of Friendly Societies in England on the 26th day of June, 1871.

A. K. Stephenson, Registrar of Friendly Societies in England.

London, 26th day of June, 1871.

COTTON STATISTICS' ACT, 1868.

RETURN of the Quantities of COTTON Imported and Exported at the various Ports of the United Kingdom during the Week ended 22nd June, 1871.

	American.	Brazilian.	East Indian.	Egyptian.	Miscellaneous.	TOTAL.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Cotton imported during the Week ended the 22nd day of June, 1871 ...)	38,794	8,095	28,817	2,413	2,032	80,151
Cotton exported during the Week ended the 22nd day of June, 1871 ...)	8,652	796	15,717	434	814	26,413

Dated the 23rd day of June, 1871.

LOUIS MALLET,
Assistant Secretary, Board of Trade.