

Admiralty, 7th April, 1899.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Commander Edward Hunter Blair has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 21st March, 1899.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex.

August Christoph Rudolph De Wette, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 4th April, 1899.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Cumberland.

Charles Lacy Thompson, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 27th March, 1899.
Frederick Ponsonby Johnson, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 27th March, 1899.

Whitehall, April 7, 1899.

THE Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that on the 28th March last he extended to the 22nd September next the time during which the Certificate of the Nazareth House Industrial School for Roman Catholic Girls was to be in force.

INEBRIATES ACT, 1898.

(INEBRIATE REFORMATORY AT ASHFORD, MIDDLESEX.)

THE Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, on the application of the Provincial Superior of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, East Finchley, and Mrs. Gertrude Morton, and Mrs. Catherine Carney, has certified as an Inebriate Reformatory for Females of the Roman Catholic Religion, under the Inebriates Act, 1898, certain lands and buildings situated at Ashford, Middlesex, and known as St. Joseph's Home.

Whitehall, April 8, 1899.

INEBRIATES ACT, 1898.

(DUXHURST INEBRIATE REFORMATORY.)

THE Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, on the application of Lady Henry Somerset, has certified as an Inebriate Reformatory, for twelve inmates of the following description, certain lands and buildings situate at Duxhurst, near Reigate, in the county of Surrey:—

Sex.—Female.

Religion.—Protestant.

Character.—Not prostitutes, nor (if committed under Section 1) women previously convicted of crime.

Whitehall, April 10, 1899.

THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 AND 1896.

THE Board of Agriculture have appointed the following to be Temporary Veterinary Inspectors for the purposes of the above-mentioned Acts:—

Thomas Henry Brown, M.R.C.V.S.

William Carus Breedon Revill, M.R.C.V.S.

Walter Stapley, M.R.C.V.S.

Board of Agriculture, 27th March, 1899.

THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 AND 1896.

Owen John Llewellyn has resigned his appointment as Temporary Assistant Inspector of the Board of Agriculture for the purposes of the above-mentioned Acts.

Board of Agriculture, 8th April, 1899.

Civil Service Commission, April 11, 1899.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that an Open Competitive Examination for Clerkships (Class I) in the Civil Service will be held in London, commencing on the 1st August, 1899, under the Regulations dated 15th April, 1898, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 1st July, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission, April 11, 1899.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that the following Regulations are published with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, viz.:

REGULATIONS respecting Open Competitive Examinations for situations as Female Learner in London in the Department of the Postmaster-General.

These Regulations are liable to alteration for future Examinations.

1. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners—

(a.) That their age on the day of the Examination is not less than 15 nor more than 18.

NOTE.—In reckoning age for competition, persons who have served for two consecutive years in any Civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding five years which they may have spent in such service.

(b.) That they are unmarried or widows.

(c.) That they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.

2. At each Examination the number of Candidates to be selected will be such as the Postmaster-General may from time to time fix.

3. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz.:

1. Handwriting.

2. Orthography.

3. English Composition, to be tested by a short essay or letter on a simple subject.

4. Arithmetic, including Vulgar and Decimal Fractions, and Percentages.

5. Geography (General).

Candidates who fail to obtain such an aggregate number of marks as may indicate, in the judgment of the Civil Service Commissioners, a competent amount of general proficiency will not be regarded as qualified.

4. Candidates must be at least 5 feet in height.

5. Persons who may have accepted a situation as Learner in any London office will not be eligible to compete. Other persons holding situations in the Civil Service will not be eligible unless they produce to the Civil Service Commissioners the written permission of the authori-