

England, the Committee of Council on Education for Scotland, or the Commissioners of National Education, Ireland, as the case may be, given in conformity with rules sanctioned by the Lords of the Treasury, has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

(iv.) In reckoning age for competition the following allowances will be made, viz. :—

- (1) Persons who have served in the Army or Navy may deduct from their actual age any time during which they have served;
- (2) Members of the Militia, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Honourable Artillery Company, or the Volunteers (whether commissioned or non-commissioned), may deduct from their actual age any time spent on actual military service, such time being reckoned by the number of days for which they received Army pay;
- (3) Persons who have served for two full consecutive years, (a) in any Civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners; or (b) as Registered Boy Clerks or Registered Boy Copyists in connection with the Civil Service, may, if their service commenced before the 20th April, 1900, deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding five years which they may have spent in such service; if their service did not commence before the 20th April, 1900, they may deduct only two years.

3. The limits of age are 17 and 20. Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

4. The subjects of Examination will be as follows :—

1. Handwriting and Orthography, including Copying Manuscript.
2. Arithmetic.
3. English Composition.
4. Précis, including Indexing and Digest of Returns.
5. Book Keeping and Shorthand Writing.
6. Geography and English History.
7. Latin (translation from the language, and composition) } Only two of these languages may be taken up.
8. French (Ditto) }
9. German (Ditto) }
10. Elementary Mathematics, viz. :—Euclid, Books I-IV, and Algebra up to and including the Binomial Theorem.
11. Inorganic Chemistry, with Elements of Physics.

N.B.—Not more than four of the subjects numbered 4 to 11 may be offered.

5. Service marks for each full period of three calendar months of actual approved service, subject to a maximum of twelve of such periods, may be allowed to Candidates attending an Examination who are serving or have served as Registered Boy Clerks or Boy Copyists.

6. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such times and in such manner as the Civil Service Commissioners may appoint.

7. A fee of £2 will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice, that on the 18th October, 1904, and following days, an Open Competitive Examination will be held in London, Edinburgh, Dublin, Bedford, Birmingham, Bristol, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Plymouth, Southampton, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Belfast, and Cork, under the foregoing Regulations, at which Examination not fewer than 80 Candidates will

be selected for Clerkships of the Second Division of the Civil Service.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, has not received, on or before the 29th September, an application, in the handwriting of the Candidate, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

*Civil Service Commission,*  
August 23, 1904.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations have been approved by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :—

SPECIAL REGULATIONS respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the Situation of Second Class Clerk, Lower Section, for Post Service in the Department of His Majesty's Customs. (Supplementary to the General Regulations respecting Open Competitive Examinations for situations in the Civil Service included in Schedule A of the Order in Council of 4th June, 1870.)

N.B.—These Regulations are liable to alteration for future Examinations.

1. The limits of age for this situation are 17 and 20, and Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

2. The subjects of Examination will be as follows :—

1. Handwriting and Orthography, including Copying Manuscript.
2. Arithmetic.
3. English Composition.
4. Précis, including Indexing and Digest of Returns.
5. Book Keeping and Shorthand Writing.
6. Geography and English History.
7. Latin (translation from the language and composition) } Only two of these languages may be taken up.
8. French (Ditto) }
9. German (Ditto) }
10. Elementary Mathematics, viz. :—Euclid, Books I to IV, and Algebra up to and including the Binomial Theorem.
11. Inorganic Chemistry, with Elements of Physics.

N.B.—Not more than five of the subjects numbered 4 to 11 may be offered.

3. Examinations will be held at such times places as the Commissioners may appoint.

4. Applications for permission to attend an Examination must be made in the writing of the Candidate, at such times and in such manner as may be fixed by the Commissioners.

5. A fee of £3 will be required from every Candidate attending the Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Second Class Clerk, Lower Section, for Post Service in the Department of His Majesty's Customs, will be held in London, Edinburgh, Dublin, Bedford, Birmingham, Bristol, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Plymouth, Southampton, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Belfast, and Cork, under the foregoing Regulations, commencing on the 18th October, 1904.

Appointments will be offered to not fewer than 15 of the Candidates highest on the list, provided they are duly qualified.