

appointment in the Indian Ordnance Department on promotion. Dated 11th September, 1905.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Robert A. G. Harrison, C.M.G., half-pay, retires on retired pay. Dated 16th September, 1905.

Captain and Brevet Major Charles M. Dobell, D.S.O., The Royal Welsh Fusiliers, is granted the temporary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel whilst commanding a Battalion of the Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force. Dated 20th July, 1905.

Captain Robert H. Goodwin, Royal Artillery, is granted the temporary rank of Major whilst employed with the Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force. Dated 10th December, 1904.

Quartermaster and Honorary Lieutenant D. Dallas, Royal Army Medical Corps, is granted the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 17th April, 1905.

*Civil Service Commission,*

*September 15, 1905.*

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Female Sorter in the General Post Office, London, will be held in London on the 24th October, 1905, under the Regulations dated 9th May, 1905, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

Appointments will be offered to not fewer than 10 of the Candidates highest on the list, provided they obtain the necessary aggregate of marks and are duly qualified in other respects.

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

The notice respecting the above-mentioned Examination which appeared in the London Gazette of the 1st September, 1905, is hereby cancelled.

*Civil Service Commission,*

*September 15, 1905.*

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

REGULATIONS respecting Open Competitive Examinations for Clerkships in the Second Division of the Civil Service.

(To come into force after the Examination of October, 1905.)

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

1. Open Competitive Examinations of Candidates for Clerkships in the Second Division of the Civil Service will be held from time to time at such places as may be deemed expedient.

2. These examinations are open, under such general restrictions as may be laid down, to all natural-born or naturalized British subjects, being of the prescribed age and of good health and character. The undermentioned special conditions are at present in force:—

(i.) The following classes of persons are ineligible to compete, viz. :—

Persons actually serving in the Army and Navy.

(ii.) The following classes of persons will not

be eligible unless they obtain the permission of the authorities of their department to attend the examination before the commencement of the competition, viz. :—(a) Persons holding situations in the Civil Service, (b) Probationary Engineer Cadets in the Navy, and Apprentices in His Majesty's Dockyards.

(iii.) Persons who have been trained in Training Colleges at the public expense will not be qualified to receive appointments until the consent of the Board of Education in 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)

8. French (Ditto)

9. German (Ditto)

10. Elementary Mathematics.

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 time 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.