

first four months of any year, candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of February in that year. If an Examination begins in one of the second four months of any year, candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of June in that year. If an Examination begins in one of the last four months of any year candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of October in that year.

In reckoning age for competition, persons who have served in the Army or Navy, or for two full consecutive years either in a Civil situation to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners or as Registered Boy Clerks in connection with the Civil Service, may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding five years which they may have spent in such service. In the case of soldiers whose period of military service has been compulsorily extended by the Military Authorities, the period to be deducted may be extended beyond five years, if necessary.

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

- (a) That they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.
- (b) That they are natural-born or naturalised British subjects.

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

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

- 1. English Composition (including Writing and Spelling).
- 2. Arithmetic (first four rules, Simple and Compound, including English and Metrical Weights and Measures, Reduction, Vulgar Fractions and Decimals, excluding Recurring Decimals).
- 3. 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.

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

6. The following classes of persons are ineligible to compete, viz :—

- (a) Persons actually serving in the Army or Navy.
  - (b) Members of the Royal Irish Constabulary of less than five years' service.
7. The following classes of persons are eligible under certain conditions only, that is to say :—
- (c) Persons holding situations in the Civil Service.
  - (d) Members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, of more than five years' service.
  - (e) Probationary Engineer Cadets in the Navy, and Apprentices in His Majesty's Dockyards.
  - (f) Persons who have been trained in Training Colleges at the public expense.
  - (g) Persons who have been trained in the Inland Revenue Branch of the Government Laboratory.

Persons comprised in the classes (c), (d), (e) must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination, before the commencement of the competition.

Persons comprised in class (f) 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.

Persons comprised in class (g) will not be qualified for appointment until the consent of the Board of Inland Revenue, given with the like sanction, has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

8. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

9. A fee of four shillings will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination.

## POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.

### FOREIGN WRITTEN TELEGRAMS.

In pursuance of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, His Majesty's Postmaster-General hereby gives notice that Regulations, dated the 16th day of July, 1906, have been made by him (with the consent of the Treasury) in pursuance of the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1904, in relation to Foreign Written Telegrams.

And the Postmaster-General further gives notice that copies of the said Regulations may be purchased, either directly or through any bookseller, from Messrs. Wyman and Sons, Fetterlane, London, E.C.; or Messrs. Oliver and Boyd, Edinburgh; or Mr. Edward Ponsonby, 116, Grafton-street, Dublin.

Dated this 16th day of July, 1906.

## ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

(DATED 13TH JULY 1906.)

The Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

*Withdrawal of East Suffolk (Swine-Fever) Order of 1906.*

1. From and after the commencement of this Order the provisions of the East Suffolk (Swine-Fever) Order of 1906 shall cease to apply to the Districts described in the Schedule to this Order.