Civil Service Commission, February 20, 1931.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :--

REGULATIONS RESPECTING OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR THE SITUATION OF MALE TELEGRAPHIST IN LONDON IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

1. The limits of age for this situation are 15 and 18. If an Examination begins in one of the first six months of any year, candidates must be of the prescribed age on the 1st day of April in that year. If an Examination begins in one of the last six months of any year, candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of October in that year. A candidate who attained the age of 15 on the governing date would be admitted to the examination, but a candidate who attained the age of 18 on that date would not be admitted.

2. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, the child of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made in the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such a candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a natural-born British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalisation or by any other voluntary and formal act.

3. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.

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

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

1. English.

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- 2. History.
- 3. Geography.
- 4. Arithmetic.

Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners in Handwriting and in the Examination as a whole.

6. The Examination is open only to candidates actually resident in the London district; and no candidate will be eligible for appointment unless he can satisfy the Postmaster-General that he possesses the required local residential qualification. It will be within the authority of the Postmaster-General to decline to employ a candidate successful in the Examination if he is not satisfied on enquiry that the candidate complies with this requirement. 7. Candidates must be at least 5 feet in height, and no officer will be retained in the Service who does not attain the height of 5 feet 4 inches before completing his nineteenth year.

8. In view of the difficulty which left-handed operators are likely to experience in the use of instruments designed for right-handed operators, candidates who are markedly lefthanded are ineligible for appointment.

9. (i) Persons actually serving in the Army, Navy, or Air Force are ineligible to compete. (ii) Persons holding situations in the Civil Service, Probationary Engineer Cadets in the Navy, and Apprentices in His Majesty's Dockyards must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination, before the commencement of the competition.

10. Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

11. 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.

12. A fee of 10s. will be required from every candidate attending an Examination.

WESTERN VALLEYS (MONMOUTH-SHIRE) SEWERAGE BOARD.

Whereas the Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board (hereinafter called the Board), made application to the Minister of Health for the issue of a Provisional Order under Section 303 of the Public Health Act, 1875, partially to repeal, alter or amend the Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board Acts, 1903, 1906 and 1907, so as:-

(1) To amend section 90 of the Act of 1903, section 22 of the Act of 1906, and section 23 of the Act of 1907 so as to provide that the amount required by the Board from the constituent authorities each half-year, instead of being apportioned between the constituent authorities , in proportion to the assessable values of the respective areas, shall be raised in the same manner as precepts of the county council, namely, by the levy of a rate by each authority of such amount in the pound, being the same amount in the case of each area affected, as may be specified in the precept of the Board;

(2) To alter the basis on which the rate of fivepence in the pound is payable by the rural district council of St. Mellons under sub-section (7) of section 69 of the Act of 1903;

(3) For the several purposes of the Application or for purposes connected with, incidental to, or consequent on those purposes to make any such alteration or amendment of the said Local Acts, or of any other Local Act or of any Act confirming a Provisional Order made in pursuance of any of the Sanitary Acts or of the Public Health Act, 1875, as may be necessary or desirable: