

1876.

NEW ZEALAND.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION BOARD,

(REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by command of His Excellency.

The CHAIRMAN, Civil Service Examination Board, to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Office of the Civil Service Examination Board,
Wellington, 1st July, 1876.

I have the honor to submit the following report of the proceedings of the Civil Service Examination Board for the year ending 30th June, 1876:—

DECEMBER 1875 EXAMINATION.

Thirty-one candidates presented themselves for the Junior, and 18 for the Senior Examination. Of these, 27 passed the Junior, and 11 the Senior Examination.

The names of the candidates who passed, placed in the order of merit, are as follow:—

JUNIOR EXAMINATION.

Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.
Chambers, Joseph Bernard ...	Napier ...	Grammar School, Napier, 3 years.
Reid, Robert Hume ...	Auckland ...	High School, Auckland, 1 year; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4½ years.
Frankland, Frederick William ...	Wellington ...	Mrs. Bloxham's, Hampstead, 1 year; Dr. Speyer's, Weybridge, 2 years; Mr. Andresen's, St. John's Wood, 2 years; University College School, Gower Street, 3 years.
Haultain, James Frederick ...	Auckland ...	St. John's College, Auckland, 2 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4 years.
Shain, William Alexander ...	Hokitika ...	Mr. Malcolm's, Hokitika, 2 years; Mr. Petersen's, Hokitika, 1 year; All Saints, Hokitika, 1 year; Hokitika Academy, 1 year.
Rhodes, William Barnard ...	Napier ...	Grammar School, Napier, 3 years.
Mitford, William Frederick ...	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Auckland, 5 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 2 years.
Wilson, John Harris ...	Auckland ...	Paparoa School, 3 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 3 years.
Blow, Horatio John Hooper ...	Wellington ...	Private Schools, England, 6 years; Arnold House, Brighton, 1 year.
Sadd, Robert Thomas ...	Nelson ...	Provincial Government School, Nelson, 6 years; College, Nelson, 2 years.
Aitkin, Thomas ...	Auckland ...	Hauraki Grammar School, 2 years; Karaka School, 1½ year; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 1 year.
Pilcher, Ernest Gregory ...	Wellington ...	Grammar School, Wellington, 3 years; Mr. Brann's Evening Class, 1½ year.
Cameron, John Nicholson ...	Greymouth ...	Mr. Patterson's, Hokitika, 4½ years; Mr. Stanton's, Hokitika, 2½ years; National School, Greymouth, 2 years; High School, Carlton, Melbourne, 1½ year.
Moynihan, John Joseph ...	Nelson ...	St. Mary's, Nelson, 3 years.
King, George Alfred ...	Auckland ...	Grammar School, Auckland, 2 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4 years.
Knowles, Henry John ...	Wellington ...	Rev. J. D. Fergusson's, Lyttelton, 7 years; Christ's College and Grammar School, Christchurch, 15 months; Mr. Brann's Evening Class, Wellington, 3 months.
Perston, Norman Mathew Fortescue ...	Wellington ...	Grammar School, Wellington, 3 years; English High School, Wellington, 2 years.
Miller, William ...	Wellington ...	Ferry School, 2 years; Te Aro Grammar and Commercial School, Wellington, 2 years.
Purchas, George Henry Arthur ...	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Auckland, 5 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 2 years.
Renner, John ...	Wellington ...	Te Aro Grammar and Commercial School, Wellington, 5 years.
Card, George Robert ...	Wellington ...	Private Tuition, England, 2 years; Victoria College, Jersey, 3 years.
Ashwin, Theodore Craven ...	Christchurch ...	Wesley College, Sheffield; High School, Christchurch, 1 year; Christ's College and Grammar School, Christchurch, 1 year.
O'Neill, Edward Edmund ...	Wellington ...	St. Mary's, Wellington, 4 years; Mr. Brann's, Wellington, 1 year.
Brake, Alfred ...	Christchurch ...	Private Tuition; Halswell School, 4 years.
Marshall, Gifford ...	New Plymouth ...	Mr. Schofield's, New Plymouth, 4 years; Mr. Greenwood's, New Plymouth, 1 year; Mr. Adams', New Plymouth, 1½ year.
Dumbell, John Thomas ...	New Plymouth ...	Southport, 1 year; Liverpool, 1 year; Mr. Compton's, New Plymouth, 3 years; Mr. Adams', New Plymouth, 1½ year.
Hirschberg, Alexander Moritz ...	Wellington ...	Grammar School, Wellington, 2 years; Te Aro Grammar and Commercial School, Wellington, 1 year.

SENIOR EXAMINATION.

Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	English.	Latin.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Greek.	French.	German.	Maori.	Plane Trigonometry	Algebra.	Geometry.	Science.	History.	Book-keeping.	Shorthand.
Reid, Robert Hume	Auckland ...	High School, Auckland, 1 year; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4½ years	1st	1st	1st	2nd	—	—	—	—	2nd	1st	1st	1st	2nd	—	—
Chambers, Joseph Bernard	Napier ...	Grammar School, Napier, 3 years	1st	1st	1st	1st	—	2nd	—	—	—	1st	1st	—	2nd	—	—
Haultain, James Frederick	Auckland ...	St. John's College, Auckland, 2 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4 years	2nd	2nd	1st	2nd	—	—	—	—	3rd	1st	1st	3rd	3rd	—	—
Rhodes, William Bernard	Napier ...	Grammar School, Napier, 3 years	2nd	1st	1st	3rd	—	1st	—	—	—	1st	1st	—	3rd	—	—
King, George Alfred	Auckland ...	Grammar School, Auckland, 2 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 4 years	3rd	2nd	2nd	1st	—	—	—	—	3rd	1st	2nd	1st	3rd	—	—
Wilson, Joseph Harris	Auckland ...	Paparoa School, 3 years; College and Grammar School, Auckland, 3 yrs.	2nd	1st	1st	3rd	—	—	—	—	—	1st	2nd	—	2nd	—	—
Sadd, Robert Thomas	Nelson ...	Provincial Government School, Nelson, 6 years; College, Nelson, 2 years	3rd	1st	1st	3rd	—	—	—	—	3rd	1st	1st	—	3rd	—	—
Brown, James William	Wellington	Te Aro Grammar and Commercial School, 2½ years; Mr. Brann's Evening Class 4 months	1st	3rd	3rd	3rd	—	—	—	—	—	—	1st	1st	3rd	—	—
Mitford, William Frederick	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Auckland, 5 years; College and Gram. School, Auckland, 2 yrs.	3rd	1st	3rd	3rd	—	—	—	—	3rd	2nd	2nd	—	1st	—	—
Purchas, George Henry Arthur	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Auckland, 5 years; College and Gram. School, Auckland, 2 yrs.	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	—	—	—	—	3rd	1st	3rd	—	3rd	—	—
Powell, Frederick William	Wanganui	Mr. Godwin's School, Wanganui, 7 years	3rd	2nd	3rd	3rd	—	—	—	—	N.P.	1st	2nd	—	3rd	—	—

NOTE.—1st, 2nd, 3rd = passed in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Class of Merit. N.P. = Not passed. — = Did not take up the subject.

JUNE 1876 EXAMINATION.

Twenty-three candidates presented themselves for the Junior, and 13 for the Senior Examination. Of these, 10 passed the Junior, and 9 the Senior Examination.

The names of the candidates who passed, placed in the order of merit, are as follow:—

JUNIOR EXAMINATION.

Name.	Residence.	Where Educated, and Length of Stay at each School.
Barstow, Thos. Malcolm Hulme	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Parnell, 6½ years.
Percival, Wm. Ernest	Auckland ...	Rev. P. Mason's, Newton, Auckland, 2 years 8 months.
McGowan, Jas. Paterson	Lyttelton ...	Rev. J. D. Fergusson's, 5 years.
Ridings, Jas. Percy	Auckland ...	College and Grammar School, Auckland, 2 years.
Haultain, Arthur Robertson Theodore	Auckland ...	Preparatory School, Cheltenham, 5½ years; Cathedral School, Worcester, 4 years.
Bell, Edward Spencer Barham	Wellington ...	Mr. Ross's, Christchurch, 15 months; and Private Tuition.
St. John, Geo. Francis William	Wellington ...	College, Wellington, 4 years.
Lyon, William Deans	Wellington ...	Grammar School, Wellington, 4 years; Te Aro Grammar School, 1 year; Mr. Gammell's, Wellington, 1 year.
Kennedy, George Alexander	Wellington ...	Grammar School, Dundalk, 3 yrs; Foyle College, Londonderry, 1 yr.
Blow, Henry Wm. Percival	Wellington ...	Preparatory Schools, England, 2 years; Terrace School, Penge, 3 years; South Penge Park College, 1 year.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

			£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
Voted by Parliament for the purposes						Fees to supervisors	...	...	68	5	0
of the Board	...	...	200	0	0	Preparation and revision of papers	...	...	66	16	0
						Books	...	...	1	1	6
						Attendance fees of members not					
						being members of the Civil Service			16	16	0
						Total	...	...	£152	18	6
						Balance unexpended	...	...	47	1	6
			£200	0	0				£200	0	0

REGULATIONS.

In consequence of recommendations, addressed partly to the Government and partly to the Board, certain alterations have been made in the regulations for the conduct of examinations; and amended regulations, which are to come into force on the 1st January, 1877, were published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 15th June last. I forward a copy of these regulations herewith.*

Under the amended regulations the limitation as to the age at which candidates can be examined is done away with; and persons not intending to enter the Civil Service, such as law students and others, can be examined on payment of a fee of £2 2s.

These amendments were rendered advisable chiefly by the fact that the Judges of the Supreme Court occasionally take the Board's pass certificate for the Senior Examination as evidence of the satisfactory lay education of a candidate for admission to the Bar. Such candidates have hitherto been placed at a disadvantage, inasmuch as they have to pass the Junior Examination before they can pass the Senior, and they must pass the Junior before they have reached the age of twenty-two. Under the amended regulations, they may pass the Junior Examination after they have reached that age, though still obliged to pass the Junior before the Senior. Candidates will be required to state, in their applications to be examined, whether they are candidates for employment in the Civil Service.

Another alteration, and one which the Board consider will be of no little advantage, is that candidates for the Senior Examination will be able to take up part of a Latin prose work and part of a Latin poem, instead of being examined solely in either prose or poetry as now provided by the Regulations.

It was represented to the Board that the constant application of a youth to the study of one Latin author, during the course of preparation for examination, rather tended to weary him with his work, and that a variety in the subjects, without increasing the total quantity, would lighten his labours and render him more conversant with the language. The Board recommended the Government to make such an alteration in the regulations as would conduce to this result, and the alteration has been made.

EXAMINATION PAPERS.

I forward herewith, in duplicate, copies of the papers used at the December, 1875, and June, 1876, examinations.

I have, &c.,
W. GISBOENE,
Chairman.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, &c., &c.

* Vide *Gazette* of 15th June, 1876.

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