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NEW ZEALAND.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION BOARD

(REPORT OF THE).

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.

Office of the Civil Service Examination Board,
Wellington, 30th May, 1881.

SIR,—

I have the honor to submit the following report of the proceedings of the Civil Service Examination Board since the date of my last report (22nd June, 1880):—

JUNE 1880 EXAMINATION

JUNIOR EXAMINATION

98 candidates applied to be examined, 92 candidates underwent examination, 24 candidates passed, 66 candidates failed to pass, 2 candidates were disqualified.

Of the candidates who failed, 24 failed in all 4 subjects, 13 failed in 3 subjects, 16 failed in 2 subjects, 13 failed in 1 subject, 35 failed in English, 45 failed in arithmetic, 60 failed in history, 40 failed in geography

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

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	English.	Arithmetic.	History.	Geography.	Total.
			Maximum attainable ...	600	600	600	600	2,400
1	McKellar, Henry Dugald ...	Tauranga ...	Private School, Tauranga, 2 years; Public School, Tauranga, 3 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 1½ years	453	305	465	480	1,703
2	Larmer, Nelson James ..	Dunedin ...	Church of England School, Braidwood, 5 years; Public School, Braidwood, 4 years; High School, Dunedin, 9 months	295	409	455	230	1,389
3	Allardyce, Edward Gordon ..	Wellington ...	Dorset County School, England, 5 years	315	393	305	330	1,343
4	Spence, Henry Richard ..	Oamaru ..	Oamaru Grammar School, 7 years; private tuition, 6 months	360	425	230	275	1,290
5	Atkinson, Edmund Tudor ...	New Plymouth	Nelson College, 3 years; Mr. Adams's, New Plymouth, 3 months; Wellington College, 3 months; Mr. Gammell's, Wellington, 9 months	255	237	405	365	1,262
6	Crombie, Andrew Francis ...	Wellington ...	High School, Ballarat, 2 years; Wellington College, 6 years	405	470	205	170	1,250
7	Percival, Reginald Ritchie ..	Auckland ...	Parnell Grammar School, 1½ years; Newton Grammar School, 1½ years	335	270	237	310	1,152
8	Ross, Charles Frederick Mackenzie	Christchurch	Mrs. Ross's, 6 years; Christ's College and Grammar School, 4 years	290	444	200	205	1,139
9	Poland, John Joseph ...	Tuakau ..	Tuakau School, 8 years	255	339	285	220	1,099
10	Stevenson, Archibald Clark ...	Auckland ...	Auckland College and Grammar School, 7 years	280	298	220	280	1,078
11	Russell, Jabez ..	Wellington ...	Preparatory Schools, 5 years ...	320	265	255	215	1,055
12	Grey George Henry Ryeil ...	New Plymouth	Mr. O'Connell's 3 years; Mr. Ellis's, 1 year	205	320	240	235	1,000
13	Reynolds, Eardly Culley ...	Dunedin ...	South District School, 5 years; Collegiate School, 2 years; High School, 4 years	365	259	175	160	959
14	Stuart, Arthur Henry ...	Tauranga ...	Private tuition ...	310	246	190	200	946
15	Calder, William ...	Dunedin ...	Tokomairiro Grammar School, 2 years; Dunedin High School, 2 years	273	276	170	225	944
16	Provis, William Shackson ...	Napier ...	Beach School, New Plymouth, 9 months; Auckland College and Grammar School, 5½ years	230	314	197	170	911
17	Virtue, David Wilson ...	Hokitika	Mr. Tiudall's, 1 year; Mr. Paterson's, 1½ years; Mr. Scott's, 6 months	240	201	150	260	851

JUNIOR EXAMINATION—continued.

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	English.	Arithmetic.	History.	Geography.	Total.
			Maximum attainable ...	600	600	600	600	2,400
18	Kinder, Harry ...	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Parnell, 2 years; Christ's College and Grammar School, Christchurch, 3 years; St. John's College, Auckland, 3 months	245	260	150	185	840
19	Blake, George Benjamin ...	Christchurch	Milton Hall, 6 months; Linden School, 5 years; Dunedin High School, 1 year	153	321	170	180	824
20	Holmes, Ernest ...	Wellington ...	Mr. Thomas's, 2 years; Greymouth Government School, 2 years	175	275	165	205	820
21	Hunter, James ...	Christchurch	Loanhead School, Scotland, 6 years ...	173	163	152	315	803
22	Gore, Henry Morland ...	Wellington ...	Wellington College, 7 years ...	190	301	150	155	796
23	Pauling, George Alexander Llewellyn	Wellington ...	Bishop's School, Nelson, 2½ years; Nelson College, 3 months; Wellington College, 4½ years	190	160	240	155	745
24	Gordon, Angus William ...	Auckland ...	Rev. Mr. Brown's, Onehunga, 1 year; Grammar School, Onehunga, 2 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 2 years	180	150	157	165	652

SENIOR EXAMINATION.

23 candidates applied to be examined, 19 candidates underwent examination, 7 candidates passed, 12 candidates failed to pass.

Of the candidates who failed, 4 failed in 4 subjects, 3 failed in 3 subjects, 2 failed in 2 subjects, 3 failed in 1 subject; 19 examined and 9 failed in English, 15 examined and 1 failed in Latin, 19 examined and 1 failed in arithmetic, 19 examined and 4 failed in geography, 3 examined and 1 failed in French, 7 examined and 4 failed in trigonometry, 17 examined and 6 failed in algebra, 16 examined and 3 failed in geometry, 5 examined and 2 failed in physical science, 13 examined and 1 failed in history, 1 examined and 1 failed in book-keeping, 1 examined and 1 failed in shorthand.

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

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	English.	Latin.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Greek.	French.	German.	Maori.	Trigonometry.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Science.	History.	Book-keeping.	Shorthand.	Total.
			Maximum attainable	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	—
1	Allardyce, Edward Gordon	Wellington	Dorset County School, England, 5 years	165 3rd	398 2nd	265 3rd	430 2nd	—	275 3rd	—	—	225 3rd	384 2nd	184 3rd	375 2nd	307 2nd	—	—	3008
2	Borton, Godfrey Charles	Oamaru ...	Oamaru Grammar School, 5 years; Christ's College and Grammar School, Christchurch, 3½ years	185 3rd	427 2nd	340 2nd	335 2nd	—	—	—	—	—	602 1st	575 1st	—	—	—	—	2364
3	Atkinson, Edmond Tudor	New Plymouth	Nelson College, 3 years; Mr. Adams's, 3 months; Wellington College, 3 months; Mr. Gammell's, 9 months	350 2nd	387 2nd	242 3rd	405 2nd	—	—	—	—	N.P.	255 3rd	360 2nd	—	291 3rd	—	—	2280
4	McKellar, Henry Dugald	Tauranga ...	Private School, Tauranga, 2 years; Public School, Tauranga, 3 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 1½ years	150 3rd	452 1st	160 3rd	310 2nd	—	—	—	—	—	233 3rd	475 1st	—	381 2nd	—	—	2151
6	McCallum, Richard	Blenheim ...	Blenheim Schools, 3 years; Kenwick School, 1 year; Blenheim High School, 2 years	195 3rd	431 2nd	190 3rd	185 3rd	—	—	—	—	—	339 2nd	560 1st	N.P.	178 3rd	—	—	2078
6	Dean, Alfred Elliott	Wellington	St. James's, Auckland, 2 years; St. Paul's, Wellington, 3 years; Invercargill Grammar School, 3 years; Invercargill High School, 1 year; Mr. Brann's, 1 year	300 2nd	377 2nd	282 3rd	370 2nd	—	—	—	—	—	505 1st	—	241 3rd	—	—	—	2075
*7	Watkins, Frank ...	Akaroa ...	Government School, 7 years; Mr. Harlock's, 1 year; Mr. Watkins's, 1 year; Mr. Wiggins's, 1 year	150 3rd	—	355 2nd	435 2nd	—	—	—	—	245 3rd	245 3rd	520 1st	—	—	—	—	1950

NOTE.—1st, 2nd, 3rd=passed in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd class of merit. N.P.=not passed. — = did not take up the subject.

* The candidate whose name is marked with an asterisk passed in accordance with the following proviso to clause 9 of the Regulations: "In respect of cadets in the Engineer's branch of the Public Works Department, plane trigonometry may be substituted for Latin as a compulsory subject; but any candidate availing himself of the exception will not be considered as having passed the Senior Examination in respect of the other branches of the service."

DECEMBER 1880 EXAMINATION

JUNIOR EXAMINATION

94 candidates applied to be examined, 87 candidates underwent examination, 36 candidates passed, 51 candidates failed to pass.

Of the candidates who failed, 16 failed in all 4 subjects, 13 failed in 3 subjects, 12 failed in 2 subjects, 10 failed in 1 subject, 36 failed in English, 34 failed in arithmetic, 38 failed in history, 29 failed in geography

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

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	English.	Arithmetic.	History.	Geography.	Total.
			Maximum attainable ...	600	600	600	600	2,400
1	Dreyer, Joseph ...	Nelson ...	Bridge Street School, 5 years; Haven Road School, 1 year; Nelson College, 2 years	316	492	449	403	1,660
2	Munro, Joseph Mackay ...	Nelson ...	Westport State School, 6 years; Nelson College, 1½ years	297	540	278	416	1,531
3	Mueller, Gerhard George ...	Nelson ...	Hokitika Academy, 3 years; Hokitika State School, 4 years; Nelson College, 1 year	256	484	339	441	1,520
4	Johnson, Charles Pendred ...	Nelson ...	Bridge Street School, 8 years; Nelson College, 1 year	188	555	344	403	1,490
5	Sykes, Joseph ...	Auckland ...	Elementary School, 2 years; City East School, 1½ years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 3½ years	286	525	262	393	1,466
6	Nicholson, Oliver ...	Auckland ...	Rev. W Taylor's, 2 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 4½ years	310	333	396	328	1,367
7	Murray, Harry Holmden ...	Nelson ...	Thames Grammar School, 6½ years; Nelson College, 1 year	226	473	232	433	1,364
8	Gribbin, George Arthur ...	Auckland ...	Newton East School, 8 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 3 years	357	283	401	314	1,355
9	Norton, Frederick William ...	North Wairoa	Auckland High School, 1 year; Auckland College and Grammar School, 5 years	248	379	330	376	1,333
10	Dobson, Collet Barker ...	Christchurch	Scotch College, Melbourne, 6 years; Christ's College, Christchurch, 1 year	311	260	339	412	1,322
11	Campbell, Archibald ...	Auckland ...	Waiuku District School, 5 years; Ponsonby District School, 1½ years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 1½ years	287	515	252	265	1,319
12	Christie, James ...	Auckland ...	Karaka School, Thames, 3 years; Kaueranga District School, 4 years; Auckland College and Grammar School, 1½ years	213	450	310	338	1,311
13	Hirst, Thomas George ...	Wanganui ...	Private School, Patea, 4 years; Patea Public School, 3 years	170	526	281	330	1,307
14	Lightfoot, Joseph Morton ...	Nelson ...	Nelson College, 6 years	254	375	247	420	1,296
15	Kemphorne, Ernest Henry ...	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Parnell, 5½ years	160	499	386	245	1,290
16	McHardy, Percy Alexander ...	Nelson ...	Napier Grammar School, 1 year; Napier Boys' School, 2 years; Nelson College, 3 years	158	414	314	379	1,265
17	Byrne, Francis Edmund ...	Stafford ...	Stafford National School, 8 years	212	505	212	322	1,251
18	Painton, Edward John ...	Nelson ...	Lower Wakefield School, 6½ years; Upper Wakefield School, 2½ years; Nelson College, 1 year	193	406	311	334	1,244
19	Young, James Alfred ...	Wanganui ..	Otepopo School, 4 years; Wanganui Grammar School, 2½ years; Wanganui District High School, 19 months	198	479	241	315	1,233
20	Everett, Ernest Percy	Nelson ...	St. Mary's, 6 years; Nelson College, 3 years	201	165	409	434	1,209
21	Ryburn, James William ..	Auckland ...	Panmure School, 1½ years; Mount Hobson School, 3½ years; City East School, 1 year; Auckland College and Grammar School, 2 years	234	327	293	347	1,201
22	Rout, George Malcolm ...	Nelson ...	Stoke School, 2½ years; Nelson College, 4 years	299	273	231	395	1,198
23	Rochfort, John ...	Napier ...	Napier Grammar School, 7 years	292	374	248	239	1,153
24	Mulgan, Edward Ker ...	Onehunga ...	Mr. Portor's, Enniskillen, 1½ years; Armagh College, 2½ years	309	366	217	259	1,151
25	Kitchen, William Freeman ...	Wellington ...	Wellington College, 2 years	294	238	327	289	1,148
26	Field, Frederick Richard ..	Wanganui ...	Aramoho School, 2 years; Alpha School, 6 months; Wanganui Endowed School, 3½ years	189	402	169	328	1,088
27	Saywell, Thomas Robert ...	Nelson ...	Richmond School, 6 years; Nelson College, 2 years	155	294	211	374	1,034
28	Hunter, William ...	Lawrence ...	Loonhead School, Scotland, 1 year; Lawrence District High School, 6½ years	192	324	329	182	1,027
29	Moss, William Edward Carew	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, Parnell, 6 years	263	154	389	217	1,023
30	Monaghan, Frederick Francis	Lawrence ...	Lawrence Grammar School, 2 years; Mr. J J Woods, 3 years	187	295	165	354	1,001
31	Canavan, Edward O'Hara ...	Nelson ..	Nelson Public Schools, 3 years; Nelson College, 1½ years	177	153	267	387	984
32	Stansfield, Robert ...	Christchurch	Shifnal Grammar School, 3 years; Arnold College, Hackney, 3 years	210	194	342	187	933
33	Leversedge, William Charles...	Christchurch	Miss Paton's, 6 months; Opawa School, 3½ years; Mr. Gee's, 1 year; Normal School, 1½ years; Papanui School, 3 months; West Christchurch School, 2 years	206	312	174	209	901
34	Bell, John Poole ...	Dunedin ...	North-East Harbour School, 10 years	182	259	189	258	888
35	Corfield, Alfred Andrew ...	Reefton ...	Reefton State School, 5 years	195	224	170	179	768
36	Stewart, James ...	Auckland ...	Auckland College and Grammar School, 5 years	173	151	208	177	709

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

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	COMPULSORY.				OPTIONAL.		Total.
				English.	Arithmetic.	History.	Geography.	Shorthand.	Maori.	
			Maximum obtainable ...	600	600	600	600	600	600	
1	Gibson, William Herbert	New Plymouth	Private tuition; Bristol Grammar School, 1 year	438	473	505	442			1,858
2	Elliott, Henry Edward	Opotiki ...	Government School, Opotiki, 3½ years; private tuition, 2½ years	309	449	300	224		200	1,482
2	Keary, Henry ...	Thames ...	Kauaeranga Boys' School, 6 years; Thames High School, 7 months	342	341	330	318			1,331
4	Russell, William Henry	Wellington	Wesleyan Day School, 3 years; Buckle Street and Mount Cook Public School, 2 years; Wellington College, 2 years	374	305	345	254			1,278
5	Smith, Maurice Crompton	Auckland ...	Church of England Grammar School, 6½ years	367	243	305	208			1,123
6	Dalziel, Frederic George...	New Plymouth	Tauranga District School, 4 years; Taranaki West School, 1 year; Mr. Ellis's, 2½ years	232	337	240	273			1,082

SENIOR EXAMINATION.

13 candidates applied to be examined, 11 candidates underwent examination, 5 candidates passed, 6 candidates failed.

Of the candidates who failed, 2 failed in 5 subjects, 2 failed in 3 subjects, 2 failed in 1 subject; 11 examined and 2 failed in English, 11 examined and 0 failed in arithmetic, 11 examined and 2 failed in geography, 6 examined and 1 failed in Latin, 9 examined and 5 failed in French, 4 examined and 2 failed in trigonometry, 10 examined and 2 failed in algebra, 8 examined and 2 failed in geometry, 3 examined and 1 failed in science, 7 examined and 2 failed in history

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

Order.	Name.	Residence.	Where Educated.	Compulsory.			Optional.										Total.					
				English.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Latin.	Greek.	French.	German.	Italian.	Maori.	Trigonometry.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Science.		History.	Book-keeping.	Shorthand.		
			Maximum attainable ...	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	—
1	Gibson, William Herbert	New Plymouth	Private tuition; Bristol Grammar School, 1 year	380	447	431	466	—	297	—	—	—	—	416	455	—	435	—	—	—	—	3327
2	Morison, Charles Bruce	Masterton ...	Loughill School, Scotland, 4 years; Elgin Academy, 4 years; Nelson College, 1 year	520	471	296	419	—	336	—	—	—	—	2nd	1st	—	2nd	—	—	—	—	2648
3	Hunt, William Raymond	Nelson ...	Valley School, 8 years; Nelson College, 3½ years	450	304	289	267	—	N.P.	—	—	—	315	436	430	—	218	—	—	—	—	2709
4	Andrews, William Douglas	Nelson ...	Nelson College, 5 years ...	435	254	323	371	—	—	—	—	—	260	395	395	—	243	—	—	—	—	2676
5	Ross, Charles Frederic Mackenzie	Christchurch	Mrs. Ross's, 6 years; Christ's College, 5 years	325	336	280	355	—	—	—	—	—	3rd	2nd	2nd	—	3rd	—	—	—	—	2231

NOTE.—1st, 2nd, 3rd=passed in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd class of merit. N.P.=not passed. —= did not take up the subject.

SUMMARY

Junior Examination.—215 candidates were examined, 66 passed; 90 failed in English, 87 failed in arithmetic, 113 failed in history, 90 failed in geography

Senior Examination.—66 candidates were examined, 25 passed; 66 were examined and 29 failed in English, 66 were examined and 6 failed in arithmetic, 66 were examined and 14 failed in geography, 51 were examined and 7 failed in Latin, none were examined in Greek, 12 were examined and 6 failed in French, none were examined in German, Italian, or Maori, 25 were examined and 10 failed in trigonometry 60 were examined and 19 failed in algebra, 57 were examined and 15 failed in geometry, 12 were examined and 5 failed in physical science, 51 were examined and 12 failed in history, 1 was examined and 1 failed in bookkeeping, 1 was examined and 1 failed in shorthand.

NUMBER OF CANDIDATES EXAMINED.

At Auckland, 52; Thames, 9; Tauranga, 2; Opotiki, 1; Napier, 4; New Plymouth, 21; Wanganui, 15; Wellington, 42; Blenheim, 4; Nelson, 39; Westport, 1; Reefton, 1; Hokitika, 9; Christchurch, 22; Oamaru, 8; Dunedin, 31; Invercargill, 6: total, 267

Since the establishment of the Board the number of candidates examined has been as follows:—

Year.	Examined.	Passed.	Year.	Examined.	Passed.
1869	1877	164	75
1870			1878	199	96
1871	1879	..	211
1872	1880	222	80
1873	...		1881 (half-year)	45	11
1874	...			—	—
1875		1,200	600
1876				—	—

CIVIL SERVICE LITERARY PRIZE.

An offer having been made to the Board of a sum of £5 per annum, for five years, to provide for prizes for the best essays on the principles and practice of parliamentary government, and cognate subjects, the Board announced that the subject for the year 1880 should be "The Development of Constitutional Liberty in England;" to be competed for under the following conditions: (1.) Competition to be open to all persons under the age of twenty-five years at this date who have passed either the Junior or Senior Civil Service Examination, and who are in the Service at the time of competition. (2.) The prize to be in books or money, at the option of the prize-taker. (3.) Essays to be legibly written, and on one side of the paper only. (4.) Essays to be delivered to the Secretary of the Civil Service Examination Board, Wellington, by the 31st December, 1880. (5.) No competitor to allow his name to appear on his essay, but to adopt a motto or cypher, which is also to be written on a sealed envelope containing the author's name, and attached to the essay. (6.) The prize will not be awarded unless there is an essay which, in the judgment of the examiners, is of sufficient merit to entitle the author to receive it. (7.) Competitors are advised to keep copies of their essays, as those sent to the Board will not be returned.

Three essays were received, but none of them appeared to the examiners to be deserving of the prize, which was accordingly not awarded. The donor of the prize was informed of the result, and, with his consent, the unexpended amount has been added to the prize for the present year. The subject for the essay is "The Constitutional Influence of the House of Commons in England on Questions of Peace and War." The conditions are the same as those of last year, and essays must be lodged with the Secretary to the Board by the 31st December, 1881.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Voted by Parliament for year 1880-81	250	0	0	Preparation of papers, and valuation of candidates' work	200	4	0
Moiety for 1881-82	..	125	0	Supervision of candidates during work	134	8	0
Fees	...	79	15	Hire of examination halls, stationery, &c.	28	0	11
				Attendance fee of member of Board, not being a member of the Civil Service	37	10	0
					£400	2	11
				Balance	54	12	1
					£454	15	0
					£454	15	0

I have, &c.,
G. S. COOPER,
Chairman.