

In the several examinations the numbers shown below were present; figures for previous years are also given:—

	1917-18.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.
Junior National Scholarships and junior free places ..	3,122	1,917	2,170	2,298
Public Service Entrance, Senior National Scholarships, and Intermediate	3,315	2,422	3,063	2,999
Teachers' D and C	2,102	1,912	2,234	2,365
Public Service Senior	226	78	50	78
Typists' Examination	60	46	..	..
Special Public Service Entrance (June) .. .. .	..	133	189	204
Special Public Service Entrance Examination for returned soldiers .. .. .	..	..	..	73
Kindergarten Certificate Examination	4	5	9	1
London University Examinations	1	2	4	2
Totals	8,830	6,515	7,719	8,020

In addition to the usual examination held in November a special Public Service Entrance Examination was this year held in June. Girls were admitted to both these examinations.

Entries for the Public Service Senior Examination of January, 1920, were limited to returned soldier candidates who had previously obtained partial success towards the examination.

Of the total number of candidates who sat for the Junior National Scholarship Examination—

The number of candidates for scholarships was	2,008
The number who obtained a scholarship qualification was	220
The number who qualified for a free place in the scholarship examination was	779
The number who failed was	1,009
The number of candidates for free places was	290
The number of these who qualified for a free place was	47
The number who failed was	243

The highest percentages of marks gained in the various subjects of this examination were as follows: English, 83.6; arithmetic, 100; geography, 89; history and civics, 80; elementary science and nature study, 88; drawing, I, 90; drawing, II, 100. The highest percentage gained by any one candidate on the whole examination was 79.625.

The following are details of candidature in regard to the Public Service Entrance and Intermediate Examinations in their varied applications:—

(a.) Total candidates presenting themselves for examination	2,999
(b.) Candidates for the Public Service Entrance and Senior National Scholarship tests	1,755
(c.) Candidates for the intermediate tests (senior free places and drawing only)	1,244

Of the 825 candidates who sat for the Senior National Scholarship Examination 806 were examined on the Scheme A (General) Course, and 19 on the Scheme B (Rural and Domestic) Course. The numbers of candidates who qualified for scholarships in the two divisions were 121 and 1 respectively.

Of the Public Service Senior candidates—

The number present at examination was	78
The number who passed the whole examination was	32
The number who gained a pass in two or more subjects without completing the whole examination was	14
The number who failed to improve their status was	32

The number of candidates who sat for the different stages of the Teachers' Certificate Examinations was 2,365.

The following table shows the previous status of the candidates who sat for the Teachers' Certificate Examinations, and the examinations for which they entered:—

Examinations previously passed.	Candidates for the Whole or Part of Class C.	Candidates for Class D.	Candidates for Class D with the Matriculation Examination of December, 1920.	Totals.
	1.	2.	3.	4.
Class C and higher examinations	27	..	..	27
Class D, with partial success towards Class C	181	..	..	181
Class D alone	74	..	..	74
Partial success towards Class D and Class C	70	54	..	124
Partial success towards Class D only	146	1,094	117	1,357
Nil	8	497	97	602
Totals	506	1,645	214	2,365

Candidates who entered for both Class C and Class D are included in column 1 but not in column 2.