

POLICE EXAMINATIONS, 1945

The following list of members of the Force who passed the examinations qualifying for promotion held in September last is published in accordance with Regulation No. 415. In respect of those who obtained partial passes, the subjects in which they passed are indicated by numbers as follows:—

- 1 = Evidence;
- 2 = Prescribed Statutes;
- 3 = Police Force Act and Regulations; and
- 4 = Police and Detective Duties:—

LAW EXAMINATION (SUB-INSPECTORS)

Passed in all Subjects

- †*2005 Senior Detective Thompson, Robert.
- *2258 Senior Sergeant McKie, John.
- †*2622 Detective-Sergeant Gibson, James.
- †3059 Constable Gaines, Edward John.
- †3264 Constable Hotham, Edgar Gordon.
- †3273 Detective Scott, Fergus Oliver.

Partial Passes

- 2319 Senior Sergeant Johnston, Andrew, 1, 2, 4.
- 2713 Sergeant Spencer, Carl Leslie, 1, 3.
- 3113 Constable Waple, George, 2, 3.

LAW EXAMINATION (SENIOR SERGEANTS)

Passed in all Subjects

- *2363 Detective-Sergeant Aplin, Frank Norman.
- 2517 Sergeant Welch, Henry.
- *3044 Constable Donnelly, George Christopher.
- *3070 Constable Leadley, Frederick Austin.
- *3247 Constable Grant, Alan Robertson.

Partial Passes

- 2677 Sergeant Adams, James Leicester, 1, 2, 3.
- 2795 Sergeant Wootton, Burt Wesley, 1, 3.
- 2849 Sergeant Smith, Harry Lawrence, 1, 3.
- 3114 Constable Walsh, James Joseph, 1, 3.
- 3260 Detective McDougall, Angus William, 1, 3.
- 3406 Constable Clark, Edward Henry, 1, 2.
- 3445 Constable Squire, Harold John, 1, 2, 3.

LAW EXAMINATION (SERGEANTS)

Passed in all Subjects

- †*3051 Constable Wilson, James.
- †*3104 Detective Simpson, David Gordon McKenzie.
- †*3152 Constable Moore, Robert Alexander.
- †*3223 Constable O'Halloran, Francis Joseph.
- †*3230 Detective Alty, George Walter.
- †3239 Detective Cromwell, William Henry.
- †*3272 Detective Jones, Richard David Leonard.
- †3369 Constable Wade, Archibald Conrad Blackwell.
- †3384 Detective Urquhart, George Colin.
- †3485 Constable Sharp, William Harold Angus.
- †3564 Constable Claridge, George.
- †*3582 Constable Colclough, Jack.
- †*3600 Constable Kelly, George Ellis Stanley.
- †*3631 Constable Steele, Thomas John.

Partial Passes

- 2979 Constable Stevens, Gordon Charles, 2, 4.
- 3121 Constable Coll, William, 1, 2.
- 3258 Constable Rodgers, Michael John, 1, 2, 3.
- 3398 Detective Marshall, James Arthur, 2, 4.
- 3463 Constable Blake, Leo Raymond, 1, 3.
- 3475 Detective Gordon, Francis Augustine, 2, 3, 4.
- 3490 Constable Black, Charles Erlston Weir, 1, 3, 4.
- 3491 Constable Pentecost, Clifford Dudley Mark, 1, 2, 3.
- 3501 Constable Jones, Thomas, 1, 2.
- 3546 Constable Tait, Gideon, 1, 4.

LITERARY EXAMINATION

Passed—Qualifying for Commissioned Rank

- †2235 Senior Sergeant Carran, William.
- †2387 Senior Sergeant Brown, Willis Spencer.
- 3192 Constable Cromie, William Alexander.
- 3223 Constable O'Halloran, Francis Joseph.
- 3225 Constable Allan, Robert Harvey.
- 3272 Detective Jones, Richard David Leonard.
- 3347 Detective Miller, Henry Francis.
- 3402 Constable Watts, Milton Arthur.
- 3411 Detective Waller, Bernard George.
- 3456 Constable Meyer, Richard William.
- 3464 Detective Harrowfield, Lawrence Dudley.
- 3485 Constable Sharp, William Harold Angus.
- 3497 Constable Tate, Archie Brian.
- 3532 Constable Harvey, Harold Claude.
- 3573 Constable Drummond, Roy Ernest.
- 3676 Constable Kyle, Thomas James.
- T1096 Temporary Constable Learmonth, George.
- T1104 Temporary Constable Taylor, Charles Orton Knight.
- T1115 Temporary Constable Miller, Peter McKinnon.
- T1140 Temporary Constable Pine, Frederick George.

- T1201 Temporary Constable Storey, Thomas Herbert.
- T1218 Temporary Constable Keogan, Thomas Joseph.
- T1239 Temporary Constable Nelson, Frederick John Thomas.
- T1240 Temporary Constable Watson, William.
- T1270 Temporary Constable Campbell, Gerald Ashton.
- T1369 Temporary Constable Lindsay, Herbert Stanley.
- T1394 Temporary Constable Fitzsimmons, William James.
- T1425 Temporary Constable Pearce, Walter Franklin.
- T1450 Temporary Constable Baker, Arthur Walter.
- T1464 Temporary Constable Jefferies, Kenneth Godfrey.
- T1465 Temporary Constable Burgess, Laurie Paul.
- T1474 Temporary Constable Flanagan, Michael Joseph.
- T1480 Temporary Constable Firmin, Wilfred James.
- T1519 Temporary Constable Grindlay, Reginald Stirling.
- W23 Temporary Constable Kelly, Mary Beatrice. W/D.
- W31 Temporary Constable Nixon, Marie Jane. W/D.

Passed—Qualifying for Rank of Sergeant

- 3401 Constable Blaikie, Walter William.
- 3612 Constable Shaw, Sydney John Thomas.
- T1119 Temporary Constable Stevens, Eric Albert.
- T1163 Temporary Constable McRae, Arthur Allan.
- T1299 Temporary Constable Braddick, John William Michael.
- T1375 Temporary Constable Shannahan, Patrick William.
- T1406 Temporary Constable Gilliam, William George.
- T1437 Temporary Constable Swenson, Stanley James.

* Previously gained partial pass.

† Completed examinations qualifying for rank of Sub-Inspector.

‡ Completed examinations qualifying for rank of Sergeant.

The papers on "Evidence" and "Prescribed Statutes" were set and examined by Dr. N. A. Foden, Crown Solicitor; those on "Police Force Act and Regulations" and "Police and Detective Duties" by a Board consisting of Dr. N. A. Foden, Superintendent H. Scott, and Inspector S. G. Hall; and the papers on the literary subjects by Mr. R. Darroch, formerly headmaster of the Terrace School, Wellington.

The following remarks of the examiners are published for the information of candidates:—

Evidence.—An excellent result was shown in the case of the Sub-Inspector's paper, although no candidate displayed outstanding merit. The Senior Sergeants' results were not so good as last year, and those candidates who proceed to the next examination will need to see that steady work is maintained in the subject during the year if they expect to qualify. In the Sergeants' paper it was evident that many candidates had not devoted adequate time and concentration to study. Systematic work throughout the year is indispensable to success.

Prescribed Statutes.—The results in the Sub-Inspectors' paper were satisfactory enough, but some candidates were inadequately prepared for the examination. In the case of the Senior Sergeants and Sergeants, the results were disappointing. Candidates should confine answers to relevant matter. If the answer be known, there is no occasion to introduce extraneous matter into it. To every question there is a specific answer. A little time should be devoted before commencing the question to ascertaining clearly the precise scope of the desired answer. More attention should be given to methods of study. In a number of cases the answers suggested that sporadic reading was the method followed.

Police Force Act and Regulations.—The result of the Sub-Inspectors' paper was much the same as the previous year and can be regarded as satisfactory, calling for no special comment. Good work was done by the candidates for the Senior Sergeants' paper, and this too, calls for no particular remarks. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said in the case of the Sergeants' paper. Here it was obvious that a number of candidates had not embarked on a course of systematic study during the whole year, but had relied on "cramming" over a short period. The whole syllabus must be known, and organized work, with constant revision, is the only successful method. One candidate obtained 54 marks for nine questions, the tenth question having been omitted; had the ground been fully covered in the course of his study, this candidate would most likely have passed.

Police and Detective Duties.—In the Sub-Inspectors' paper several candidates showed a lack of knowledge of points of detail involved in the handling of practical problems. Every item of detail in conducting any investigation is of significance, for failure to achieve the desired result will usually follow from the omission to take one or other factor into consideration. The Senior Sergeants' paper was very disappointing, and indicated a lack of appreciation of the value of a logical and concise approach to the subject. The steps taken in any given cases should be arranged in proper sequence, and for the purpose of study should be embodied in notes and referred to by way of supplementing one's practical knowledge. Many of the answers in this paper contained irrelevant matter and omitted vital points. Several cases of candidates who omitted to answer certain questions occurred in the Sergeants' paper. To miss merely a single question is likely to prove fatal to the chance of success. Such omissions can only be ascribed to failure to devote the time and attention to the subject or to lack of experience. Even in a practical subject like "Duties," some book work is inevitable, or the compilation of notes for study can be resorted to. A feature worthy of note in the paper generally is that the successful candidates scored very good marks.

J. CUMMINGS, Commissioner of Police.
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