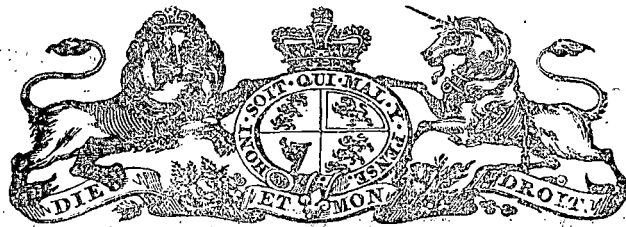


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EXAMINERS' REPORT, 1873.

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Board of Education Office,
Hobart Town, 26th June, 1873.

EXHIBITIONS FROM PUBLIC TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS.

THE Board of Education has directed the publication of the annexed Report of the Examiners appointed to conduct the Examination of Candidates for Exhibitions from Public to Superior Schools.

The Candidates who obtained the highest number of Marks were :—

WILLIAM WALKER,
THOMAS EDWIN RULE.
ALFRED HENRY CHESTERMAN.
SAMUEL KIRKLAND JOHNSON.
WILLIAM PARKIN GODDARD.
EDWARD DAVID CRIPPS.

The Board has, accordingly, awarded to each of the above Candidates an Exhibition of the value of £16 13s. 4d. per annum, tenable for Four years from the 1st proximo, subject to the Conditions laid down in the Board's Regulations, dated 5th August, 1872.

By Order of the Board,

HENRY BUTLER, *Chairman.*

EXAMINERS' REPORT.

Hobart Town, 21st June, 1873.

WE have the honor of presenting to the Board of Education a Report of the Fourteenth Annual Examination for Exhibitions.

The Examination began on the 17th instant, and occupied three days. Questions were set in the same subjects as last year, and the same numerical values were assigned. Thirteen boys from four Schools offered themselves as competitors for the six Exhibitions to be awarded. The results are shown in the annexed Table; and we have to remark as follows on the work done in the several subjects :—

READING. *F. Hudspeth, Examiner.*—None of the competitors read well enough to merit full marks. In most cases prose was well delivered; but in poetry, with a few exceptions, there appeared a defective appreciation of rhythm and vocal inflexion. Chesterman and Walker were slightly superior to the rest; the latter suffers from an impediment in speech, but is possessed of considerable intelligence and taste. Three boys were careless with regard to the letter H.

DICTATION. *F. Hudspeth, Examiner.*—Dictation, as a test of spelling, was in most cases highly creditable. Walker, Andrews, Chesterman, Grahame, Johnson, and Rule acquitted themselves the best; and Waterhouse, Boyes, Cripps, and Goddard deserve favourable mention:

PENMANSHIP. *F. Hudspeth, Examiner.*—The writing, for such young boys, was remarkably good. Four of them, namely—Chesterman, Goddard, Grahame, and Johnson, received the maximum of marks allotted to this subject; Gray and Rout were but little behind them, and it is gratifying to note that the order of no candidate in the list was altered by carelessness in this very essential accomplishment.

ENGLISH GRAMMAR. *F. Hudspeth, Examiner.*—Rule outstripped the rest in this subject: Walker and Chesterman sent in excellent papers: Cripps deserves special mention as having gained more than three-fourths of full marks.

GEOGRAPHY. *A. Davenport, Examiner.*—Five boys obtained half the maximum of marks and deserve special mention; viz.—In order of merit, Chesterman, Cripps, Johnson, Rule, and Goddard.

HISTORY. *A. Davenport, Examiner.*—The questions were generally answered very well, considering the age of the boys. Seven deserve favourable mention; viz.—Chesterman, Rule, Johnson, Walker, Goddard, Andrews, and Gray.

ARITHMETIC. *A. Davenport, Examiner.*—The questions in this important subject were answered very fairly with some exceptions. Walker's work was done admirably, and obtained full marks. Next to him, but at a considerable distance, Johnson, Rule, Okines, and Goddard did very creditably. Andrews, Chesterman, Waterhouse, Cripps, and Grahame also deserve mention. Two failed remarkably.

ALGEBRA AND EUCLID. *F. Hudspeth, Examiner.*—Great fluctuations were observable in this subject; some excelling in one branch, some in the other. Walker showed great talent and precision in both, and fell short of the maximum prescribed by only two marks. Waterhouse and Rule deserve high praise; Chesterman, Okines, and Grahame are also worthy of mention.

We have much pleasure in recommending that the Exhibitions be awarded to William Walker, Thomas Edwin Rule, Alfred Henry Chesterman, Samuel Johnson, William Parkin Goddard, and Edward David Cripps.

This Examination does not compare favourably in some respects with those of the last few years. Three of the Public Schools in Hobart Town, and that at New Town, are the only Schools represented. The number of competitors is smaller, and the highest number of marks obtained is also less than last year. The results, however, are on the whole satisfactory. The six foremost boys have well earned the reward that will be conferred on them, and no less than four others have acquitted themselves so well as to reach the standard of qualification for an Exhibition. The high proficiency of the boys who win, or deserve to win, the Exhibitions is too special and exceptional to be regarded as a criterion of the ordinary results of the teaching in the schools to which they belong, but it is certainly very useful as an example, and affords a considerable stimulus to the exertions of boys and teachers generally in our public schools.

ARTHUR DAVENPORT, *B.A.*
FRANCIS HUDSPETH, *M.A.*

TABLE OF MARKS.

No.	NAME.	AGE.	SCHOOL.	[Maximum No. of Marks.]										
				Reading.	Dictation.	Pennmanship.	English Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Arithmetic.	Algebra and Euclid.	TOTAL.		
		Yrs. Mths.		50	100	50	200	200	200	250	150	1200		
1	William Walker	11 4	Bathurst-street	47	99	44	168	54	132	250	148	942		
2	Thomas Edwin Rule	12 1	Battery Point	44	90	40	180	121	139	177	129	920		
3	Alfred Henry Chesterman	12 6	Ditto	47	94	50	166	176	144	132	105	914		
4	Samuel Kirkland Johnson	12 5	Goulburn-street	41	92	50	112	134	138	180	63	810		
5	William Parkin Goddard.....	12 9	Bathurst-street	46	88	50	121	101	130	167	75	778		
6	Edward David Cripps	11 9	Battery Point	41	88	42	157	140	64	130	85	747		
7	Francis Robert Okines.....	12 6	Bathurst-street.....	44	82	40	126	86	84	171	103	736		
8	Rechab Harry Andrews	12 8	New Town.....	44	96	44	122	72	123	144	51	696		
9	Herbert Whitney Waterhouse..	12 10	Bathurst-street	45	89	43	108	63	66	131	133	678		
10	George Henry Grahame	12 11	Ditto	45	92	50	103	67	89	125	98	669		
11	George Benson Boyes	10 11	New Town.....	43	88	42	111	67	70	81	24	526		
12	Thomas Gray	11 7	Goulburn-street	31	72	48	72	60	120	7	21	431		
13	Percy Rout	10 5	Bathurst-street.....	40	81	46	80	26	89	2	58	422		

English Grammar.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1873. *Three hours.*REV. F. HUDSPETH, *Examiner.*

1. Explain the use of the terms orthography, etymology, and syntax.
2. Give three examples each of common, proper, collective, and abstract nouns.
3. Define adjectives of quality and quantity, giving three examples of each.
4. Mention the names and use of the different kinds of pronouns, including compound pronouns, giving an example of each.
5. What do you mean by (1) an active, (2) a passive verb? Write out the active indicative past and future perfect tenses of the verb to swim; and the passive potential present of the verb to forsake.
6. What are the various degrees of comparison? Give those of good, bad, much, little, cruel, up, noble, old, far, perfect, sound, well.
7. Give the meaning of the following words and produce another word identical in sound with each, different in meaning, and having the same initial letter:—ant, all, boy, bell, cant, dock, dew, fare, faint, great, hare, in, mint, mine, own, pine, port, rue, sent, you.
8. Write out the plural form of church, holiday, lady, child, fish, quail, mouse, staff, knife, ox, housewife, goose. Also the masculine or feminine, as the case may be, of earl, duke, niece, doe, monk, hind, wizard, hart, master, emperor, actor, executor.
9. Give the form of the past tense and past participle of fling, split, strive, eat, hit, think, shear, begin, drink, wear, write, take, strive.
10. Point out the different parts of speech in the following:—

Before the bright sun rises over the hill,
 In the cornfield poor Mary is seen,
 Impatient her little blue apron to fill
 With the few scattered ears she can glean.

Arithmetic.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1873. *Three hours.*REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

1. Find the cost of 2 tons 17 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs., at £10 17s. per cwt.
2. If 11 men for 15 days' work receive £15 3s. 0½d., how much ought 14 men to receive for 7 days' work?
3. If 9 lbs. of tea, at 2s. 5d. are mixed with 7 lbs. at 1s. 9d., at what price should the mixture be sold?
4. If goods were bought for £64, and sold at a profit of 9½ per cent., what were they sold for?
5. If 49½ yards cost 18s. 6d., what is the price per yard?
6. How many payments at £11 9s. 6d. each will amount to £638 15s. 6d.?
7. Divide 18 by 5.34.
8. Reduce 2½ feet to the decimal of a yard.
9. A can do a piece of work in 5 hours, and B in 3 hours; in what time will they do it working together?
10. Divide £35 10s. 6d. between two persons so that one may have three times as much as the other.

Algebra and Euclid.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1873: *Four hours.*REV. F. HUDSPETH, *Examiner.*

ALGEBRA.

1. Write the algebraic signs for addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and equality; and explain the use of the words *plus* and *minus*, *co-efficient*, *index*, *bracket*.
2. If $x = 3$, find the value of $2x^3 - 3x^2 + x(4x - 4)$.
3. Add together $7a - 5$, $-6(a - 3)$, $-12(2 - a)$.
4. From $9a + 9(a + b)c$ take $3(3a + 3(a - b)c)$.
5. Multiply $a + b - c$ by $a - b + c$.
6. Divide $a^2b - ab^2 + b^2c - bc^2$ by $ab - bc$.

7. Solve the Equations—

$$(a). x - 2 = 3(x - 4) - 5.$$

$$(b). \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{x - 2}{2} = 4 - \frac{x - 3}{3}$$

$$(c). \left. \begin{array}{l} 7x - 3y = 0 \\ 2x + 5y = 41 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(d). \left. \begin{array}{l} x + 1 = \frac{9}{2}y \\ 4y - x = 5 \end{array} \right\}$$

EUCLID.

N.B.—Use *letters*, not *figures*, in proving propositions.

1. Define a plane rectilineal angle, right angles, a circle, an isosceles triangle, equal magnitudes.
2. Upon the same base, and on the same side of it, there cannot be two triangles that have their sides, which are terminated in one extremity of the base, equal to one another, and likewise those which are terminated in the other extremity.
3. To bisect a given finite straight line, that is, to divide it into two equal parts.
4. If one side of a triangle be produced, the exterior angle is greater than either of the interior opposite angles.
5. Any two sides of a triangle are together greater than the third side.

Reading, Dictation, and Penmanship.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1873. *Three hours.*

REV. F. HUDSPETH, *Examiner.*

Geography.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1873. *Three hours.*

REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

1. Where and what are Trieste, Yeddo, Faoe, Vancouver, Wexford, Zambesi, Natal, Colombo, Liege, Herat, Khiva, Guatemala, Ghent, Drave, Azores, Cevennes, Crimea, Hawkesbury, Huon, Jersey?
2. Name the chief ports of Russia, stating where they are.
3. Name some of the towns in England, in which the woollen, cotton, and iron manufactures respectively are carried on.
4. Give the number of counties in Tasmania, and state where, and in what county, each of the following towns is, viz.:—Hobart Town, Launceston, Torquay, Falmouth, Stanley, Evandale, Swansea, Hamilton, Ross, Westbury.
5. Describe the course of the rivers Po, Danube, Elbe, Amoor, Vistula, Ganges, Murray, Amazon.
6. Name the Presidencies of British India, and the principal ports of Hindostan.
7. Draw an outline map of the Australian Colonies, inserting in each the name of the seat of Government.

History.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1873. *Three hours.*

REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

ENGLISH HISTORY. *A.D. 1066 to A.D. 1400.*

SACRED HISTORY. *From the death of Moses to the death of David.*

1. Give a short account of the battles at Lewes and Bannockburn, the death of Becket, and the conquest of Ireland.
2. Write some particulars about the following persons, viz.:—William Wallace, Hereward, Simon de Montfort, Llewellyn, Chaucer, Wickliffe, Robert Bruce, Stephen Langton.
3. Name in order the kings of the House of Plantagenet. Which of them is esteemed the greatest, and for what is he chiefly praised?
4. Give some particulars of the following events, viz.:—Saul's murder of the priests, the death of Eli, the fall of Jericho, the battle of Mount Gilboa, the death of Abimelech, the rejection of Saul.
5. State who these persons were, viz.:—Agag, Zeruiah, Achish, Jerubbaal, Hannah, Jesse, Naomi, Ishboshesh, Abigail, Ichabod, Ahithophel, Adonijah.

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