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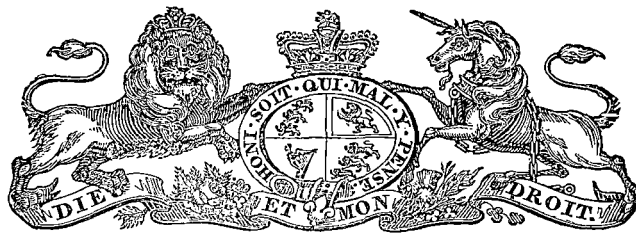
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BOARD OF EDUCATION:

EXHIBITIONS FROM PUBLIC TO SUPERIOR  
SCHOOLS—EXAMINERS REPORT.

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Board of Education, Tasmania,  
Hobart Town, 25th June, 1879.

#### 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 :—

##### *Males.*

JOHN WILSON.  
WALTER FORTNAM RIDER.  
JOHN DRYSDALE BELL.  
JAMES EDWARD MILES ROCHE.  
GEORGE BABINGTON TOAN.  
CECIL LESLIE MASON.

##### *Females.*

ANNIE MARIA DAVIS.  
JESSIE MARGARET BLAIR.  
GRACE HOLLINGS.  
HARRIET PRISCA COLE.  
JESSIE WESTBROOK DOWNWARD.

The Board has, accordingly, awarded to each of these 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 Regulations dated 26th June, 1878.

By Order of the Board,

HENRY BUTLER, *Chairman.*

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### EXAMINERS' REPORT.

WE have the honor of presenting to the Board of Education a Report of the Twentieth Annual Examination for Exhibitions from Public to Superior Schools.

The Examination occupied the same time as that of last year, and no change was made in the standards of qualification, nor in the marks obtainable in the several subjects. Twenty-four boys and ten girls offered themselves as competitors, of whom ten were examined at Launceston, and the rest at Hobart Town.

**READING.** *Rev. Canons Davenport and Bailey, Examiners.*—The reading was upon the whole satisfactory, nearly three-fourths of the Candidates having gained three-fifths of the marks. The fact of the reading being judged by different Examiners at different places must necessarily be a disturbing element in this portion of the Examination; but there is every reason to hope that by the arrangements made on the present occasion the disturbance has been reduced within narrow limits.

**DICTATION.** *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.*—The spelling of the majority of the Candidates was correct; but their punctuation was defective. Only two of them inserted correctly the inverted commas, as marks of quotation, and the other stops connected with them. It will be seen that one of the female Candidates gained full marks.

**PENMANSHIP.** *Rev. Canons Davenport and Bailey, Examiners.*—The writing was exceedingly good considering the age of the Candidates; and with very few exceptions the whole of the papers were sent up in a neat and creditable form.

**ENGLISH GRAMMAR.** *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.* The answering in this subject was on the whole creditable. The distinction between Active, Passive, and Neuter Verbs appeared, however, to be a mystery to most of the Candidates; and such mis-spelling as 'Nomonitive' and 'Nomitive' points to a defect in teaching which the Masters will do well to note. Wilson answered remarkably well; and Rider, Bell, Roache, and Toan are deserving of creditable mention.

**GEOGRAPHY.** *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.*—The answering in this subject was far from being satisfactory. Only two of the Candidates gained three-fourths of the marks, while no fewer than eleven failed to gain half the number. A great want of accuracy and definiteness pervades nearly the whole of the papers. By several of the Candidates East and West were almost invariably confounded with each other; Naples being said to be on the East Coast of Italy, and Madagascar on the West of Africa. Too little attention appears to be paid to the Geography of Tasmania; Toan, Langley, and Hay were the best acquainted with it.

**HISTORY.** *Rev. Canon Davenport, Examiner.*—The answers, on the whole, are a little inferior to those of last year. Nineteen, however, out of thirty-four Candidates obtained more than half of

the maximum number of marks, namely, in order of merit : Wilson, Annie M. Davis, Rider, Toan, East, Price, Cummins, Sullivan, Bell, Mason, Roche, Morrison, Church, Hurst, Langley, Morton, (the last four being equal), Jessie M. Blair, Reynolds, Donaldson.

**ARITHMETIC.** *Rev. Canon Davenport, Examiner.*—Wilson and Roche answered admirably, obtaining full marks. Twelve obtained more than two-thirds of the marks, namely, Bell, Rider, Mason, Johnstone, East, Morton, Morrison, Toan, Annie M. Davis, Price, Church, and Cummins, (the last two being equal). Four others obtained more than half the maximum, viz. Donaldson, Langley, Reynolds, and Sullivan. Considering the ages of the children and the difficulty of some of the questions, the work is on the whole commendable, though a little inferior to that of last year. The processes by which results were obtained were not always the best, and the work was often less clear and intelligible than it would have been if more pains had been taken.

The annexed Table of Marks shows the results in detail. Two of the Candidates failed to obtain 400 marks, the standard qualifying for a place in the Table. Twenty boys and five girls obtained more than 600 marks, the standard for an Exhibition.

We have pleasure in recommending for Exhibitions John Wilson, Walter Fortnam Rider, John Drysdale Bell, James Edward Miles Roche, George Babington Toan, and Cecil Leslie Mason. Also, Annie Maria Davis, Jessie Margaret Blair, Grace Hollings, Harriet Prisca Cole, and Jessie Westbrook Downward.

The results of the Examination are, in our opinion, satisfactory. They compare favourably in some respects with those of last year, and both the number of Candidates and the number of Schools represented are larger. The marks, however, obtained by the highest on the list, and the average attainments of the Exhibitors, are somewhat less than at the last Examination. Many, who have failed to win the Exhibition, have nevertheless acquitted themselves very creditably, and their attainments, as well as those of their successful competitors, reflect honor on the Schools at which they have been taught, as well as on their own industry and ability.

ARTHUR DAVENPORT.  
J. BROOKE H. BAILEY.

Hobart Town, 23rd June, 1879.

TABLE OF MARKS.

No.	NAME	DATE OF BIRTH.	PUBLIC SCHOOL.	Reading.	Dictation.	Pennmanship.	English Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Arithmetic.	TOTAL.
		[Maximum	No. of Marks .....	75	100	75	250	200	200	300	1200
<b>MALE CANDIDATES.</b>											
1	Wilson, John.....	27 November, 1868	Queenstown	70	70	60	202	164	165	300	1031
2	Rider, Walter Fortnam .....	19 September, 1867	New Norfolk	42	79	70	186	148	155	268	948
3	Bell, John Drysdale.....	28 November, 1867	Evandale	48	70	68	189	151	129	272	927
4	Roche, James Edward Miles ..	23 July, 1867	Torquay & Oatlands	46	75	65	180	135	125	300	926
5	Toan, George Babington .....	19 July, 1867	Central	46	82	75	178	134	153	218	886
6	Mason, Cecil Leslie .....	23 July, 1867	Battery Point	50	68	67	159	126	128	267	865
7	East, Hubert Springford .....	9 June, 1868	Perth	41	63	64	161	138	151	241	859
8	Morrison, Bertram Brooko....	26 July, 1867	Goulburn-street	46	80	50	147	142	124	229	818
9	Price, Walter Thomas .....	4 April, 1868	Ross	56	79	67	142	120	148	205	817
10	Cummins, George Henry Syd- ney .....	25 April, 1868	Battery Point	58	66	47	151	109	137	201	769
	Sullivan, William .....	8 October, 1867	Margaret-street, Launceston	55	72	75	141	141	130	155	769
12	Langley, Alfred John .....	19 September, 1867	Hastings	45	96	47	136	139	123	179	765
13	Johnstone, Walter John .....	6 October, 1868	St. Leonards	36	76	68	120	127	70	250	747
14	Donaldson, Francis Dunlop ...	29 June, 1867	Evandale	43	63	64	152	119	104	185	730
15	Morton, Matthew .....	20 March, 1868	Nine-mile Springs	30	60	60	118	105	123	230	726
16	Hudson, Frederick Horton ....	30 October, 1867	Macquarie-street	54	85	70	198	81	88	138	714
17	Church, Husey Hampden .....										
	Macirone.....	8 February, 1868	Ross	46	73	42	120	94	123	201	699
18	Hurst, William Nevin Tatlow..	11 April, 1868	New Town	30	60	62	123	119	123	126	643
19	Reynolds, Walter Ross .....	23 December, 1867	Goulburn-street	30	10	44	147	113	110	166	620
20	Hay, William .....	7 July, 1867	Hastings	25	64	38	149	147	97	93	613
21	Lloyd, Douglas Harold .....	7 November, 1867	Campbell Town	68	70	48	119	62	78	70	515
	Williams, Joseph Holland.....	7 November, 1867	New Town	50	65	50	100	41	68	141	515
23	Robinson, Henry Joseph James	2 December, 1867	Macquarie-street	45	80	40	115	91	87	53	511
<b>FEMALE CANDIDATES.</b>											
1	Davis, Annie Maria .....	12 October, 1867	Ross	46	100	50	162	97	158	215	828
2	Blair, Jessie Margaret .....	16 December, 1867	Hagley	58	68	70	151	133	112	142	734
3	Hollings, Grace .....	16 June, 1867	Goulburn-street	50	88	67	132	123	66	116	642
4	Cole, Harriet Prisca .....	11 January, 1868	Goulburn-street	56	74	57	100	108	95	112	602
5	Downward, Jessie Westbrook..	12 August, 1867	Battery Point	50	74	65	127	78	87	120	601
6	Peet, Mary Grace .....	3 October, 1867	Battery Point	54	82	57	177	22	89	97	578
7	Bilton, Roberta Victoria Jose- phine .....	22 October, 1867	Bridgewater	50	77	47	110	147	62	78	571
8	Hauth, Fredericka .....	28 June, 1867	Goulburn-street	20	75	57	104	116	76	94	542
9	Hughes, Florence Mary .....	9 November, 1867	New Town	54	60	67	74	50	49	81	435

EXAMINATION PAPERS.

English.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1879. 9 A.M. to Noon.

Rev. CANON BAILEY, *Examiner.*

1. To what class of Nouns does each of the following words belong :—Army, India, house, virtue, beauty, knife, London, flock, household, Thomas, whiteness, garden.
  2. Give examples of the formation of a Feminine Noun—
    - (1.) By change in the Masculine Noun.
    - (2.) By a word entirely different from the Masculine.
  3. Write the Singular or the Plural, as the case may be, of the following words :—Children, geese, duty, pence, ladies, voice, calves, box, wharf, staves, valley, mouse.
  4. Express the following phrases by a Possessive Case :—The wars of Alexander, The songs of the children, The virtues of my forefathers, The rod of Moses.
- What is the difference in meaning between the following expressions respectively?—
- My son's houses, and My sons' houses.  
 These horses of my father, and These horses of my father's.
5. Decline the Personal Pronouns.
  6. Write six Active, six Passive, and six Neuter Verbs.
  7. Write out the following Tenses of the Verb *to seek*, both Active and Passive :—
 

Indicative Mood—	Present Perfect.
„                  „	Future Imperfect.
Potential Mood—	Present Imperfect.
„                  „	Past Perfect.
  8. Give the Past Tense and Past Participle of the Verbs—Speak, give, fall, feel, slay, win, break, begin, know, sink, ride, work.
  9. Define an Adverb, a Conjunction, and a Preposition.
- Give an example of each.
10. Parse the following sentence :—We found him in the house which he had formerly inhabited.

## Arithmetic.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1879. 2 to 5 P.M.

REV. CANON DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

1. Find the cost of 2133 articles at £12 11s. 5½d. each.
2. Find the value of 319 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. at £1 6s. 3d. per cwt.
3. Find the interest on £584 10s. 0d. for 84 days at 5 per cent.
4. Divide £961 4s. 5¾d. by 35.
5. If 45 men do a piece of work in 20 days, how many men will do it in 12 days?
6. Reduce to its simplest form  $\frac{\frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{7}}{\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{14}}$
7. A can do a piece of work in 6 hours, B in 8 hours, C in 12 hours. In what time will they do it if they work together?
8. Reduce  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 14s. 4d. to the decimal of £1.
9. Divide £2 6s. 9d. by 1⅓.
10. Divide 9000 by .00036.

## Geography.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1879. 9 A.M. to Noon.

Rev. CANON BAILEY, *Examiner*.CAUTION.—*In answering Questions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, be careful to make your answer clear by naming each place referred to.*

1. Name the principal Divisions of the Land upon the surface of the Globe.
  2. Where are the following places?—Washington, Madras, Lima, Cairo, Shanghai, Dunedin, Adelaide, Bordeaux, Naples, Teheran, Batavia, Cawnpore.
  3. Where are the Seas of Azof, Marmora, and Okhotsk; the Gulfs of Darien, Lyons, and St. Lawrence; the Straits of Bonifacio, Malacca, and Belleisle; and the Lakes Geneva, Michigan, and Nyassa?
  4. Where are the following Capes?—Acheen, Clear, Farewell, Froward, Leeuwin, Lopatka, Matapan, Negrais, Ortegál, Portland, Spartivento, York.
  5. Where do the following Rivers empty themselves?—Seine, Orinoco, Yenisei, Niger, Mississippi, Lena, Irrawady, Rhine, Amoor, Tagus, Mackenzie, Brahmapootra.
  6. Where are the following Islands?—Socotra, Formosa, Newfoundland, Madagascar, New Guinea, Jamaica, Iceland, Tahiti, Candia, Ceylon, Hawaii, Zealand.
  7. Name six of the principal Volcanoes in the World.
  8. Name the Provinces of Australia, with the Capital of each.
  9. Name the principal Capes of Tasmania.
  10. Mention any places and rivers in Tasmania which are named after places and rivers in other countries, and state in what countries the latter are.
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## History.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1879. 2 to 5 P.M.

Rev. CANON DAVENPORT, *Examiner*.

1. Name the birth-places of Edward II. and Edward III.
  2. On what pretence did Edward III. claim the crown of France? Show that his claim was not well founded.
  3. In whose reign were the French lilies, assumed by Edward III., removed from our Royal coat of arms?
  4. Where are Bannockburn, Crecy, and Neville's Cross? Write brief particulars of the battles at those places, and give the date of the battle of Bannockburn.
  5. Write a short account of the deaths of Piers Gaveston and Roger Mortimer.
  6. Relate briefly the chief trial of the faith of Abraham.
  7. Give a short account of the death of Aaron, and of the victory over the Amalekites.
  8. Name the wives of Abraham, the eldest and youngest sons of Jacob, and the eldest son of Joseph.
  9. Write a few particulars about Hagar, Miriam, and Jethro.
  10. Give a short account of the institution of the Passover, and the departure of the Hebrews from Egypt.
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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

*Education Office, Hobart Town, 26th June, 1878.*

## REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITIONS FROM PUBLIC TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS, 1879.

It is hereby notified that Six Exhibitions of the annual value of £16 13s. 4d. each, tenable for four years from the 1st July, 1879, will be open for competition, during the month of June next, to Male pupils between the ages of 10 and 12 years who have attended one or other of the Public Schools in Tasmania for the twelve months immediately preceding the 1st June, 1879.

II. It is also notified that Six Exhibitions of the value of £16 13s. 4d., tenable for four years from 1st July, 1879, will be open for competition during the month of June next to Female pupils between the ages of 10 and 12 years who have attended one or other of the Public Schools in Tasmania for the twelve months immediately preceding the 1st June, 1879.

III. The Examination will comprise the following subjects :—

1. Reading aloud passages in prose or verse from some English Author.
2. Writing from Dictation.
3. Penmanship.
4. English Grammar and Language.
5. Geography.
6. History.
  - A. English History.—A.D. 1307 to A.D. 1377.
  - B. Sacred History.—From the call of Abram to the death of Moses.
7. Arithmetic.

IV. The following values have been affixed to the several subjects of Examination :—

	<i>No. of Marks.</i>
Reading .....	75
Dictation .....	100
Penmanship.....	75
English Grammar .....	250
Geography .....	200
History .....	200
Arithmetic .....	300
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>1200</b>

It shall be essential to success that a Candidate gain 50 per cent. of the total number of marks ; that is to say, 600 marks.

V. The Exhibitions obtained by Male Candidates will be tenable at one or other of the following Superior Schools as shall be named by the Parent or Guardian, and be approved by the Board ; viz.—The High School, Hobart Town ; the Hutchins School, Hobart Town ; the Church Grammar School, Launceston ; and the Horton College, Ross ; and Exhibitions obtained by Female Candidates will be tenable at such Schools as may be selected by the Parent or Guardian, and approved by the Board.

VI. A Boarding Allowance of Twenty Pounds per annum, in addition to the amount of the Exhibition, will be granted to Exhibitioners whose residence is more than five miles from a Superior School.

VII. The Exhibition will be payable by quarterly instalments to each Exhibitioner upon production of a certificate of industry and good conduct from the authorities of the school to which the Exhibitioner may belong.

VIII. In the event of the non-production of such certificate for any one quarter, the Exhibition shall be declared vacant : provided always that this rule shall not apply to Exhibitioners who may have been incapacitated from attending school by illness or other cause deemed sufficient by the Board.

IX. The Examination for these Exhibitions will be held in Hobart Town and Launceston.

X. Applications\* from Candidates desirous of offering themselves for Examination should be transmitted to the Chairman on or before the 1st May, 1879, supported by certificates as under :—

1. Certificate of good conduct for the twelve months immediately preceding the date of application from the Conductor of the School attended by the Candidate.
2. Certified extract from Register of Births, or such other Certificate as shall be deemed sufficient by the Board, showing that the Candidate will not have reached the age of 12 years on the 1st June, 1879.

By Order of the Board,

HENRY BUTLER, *Chairman.*

\* Printed Forms of Application may be obtained at the Education Office.