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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

EXHIBITIONS TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS:

REPORT, 1878.

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Board of Education, Tasmania,
Hobart Town, 26th June, 1878.

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.

ROBERT HENRY CRAWFORD.
JOHN HENRY CAMPBELL.
CHARLES CORYDON ADAMS.
LAWRENCE JAMES CHRISTENSEN.
ARTHUR AUGUSTUS STEPHENS.
PATRICK DANIEL KELLY.

Females.

ANNIE LITTLEJOHN.
MARY MARIA MYLAN.
VIOLA ANGELINA CARLTON ALLSOPP.

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 30th July, 1877.

By order of the Board

HENRY BUTLER, *Chairman.*

EXAMINERS' REPORT.

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

The Examination occupied the same time as that of last year, and no change has been made in the standards of qualification, nor in the number of marks obtainable in the several subjects. Seventeen boys and four girls, representing thirteen schools, offered themselves as competitors for the Exhibitions to be awarded. Twelve were examined at Hobart Town and nine at Launceston. The same questions were set to all at the same time, and the answers written at Launceston were forwarded to us.

READING. *Rev. Canons Davenport and Bailey, Examiners.*—The reading, as a whole, was satisfactory. Few read badly and some very well.

DICTATION. *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.*—The spelling was very good, but punctuation evidently requires much more attention than it receives at present.

PENMANSHIP. *Rev. Canons Davenport and Bailey, Examiners.*—The writing was generally very creditable, considering the ages of the children, and the answers were written neatly with very few exceptions.

ENGLISH GRAMMAR. *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.*—The answering in this subject was very creditable. Ten of the candidates obtained more than three-fifths of the whole number of marks, and there were only four who did not succeed in gaining half. Crawford, Kelly, Christensen, Annie Littlejohn, and Adams deserve special mention.

GEOGRAPHY. *Rev. Canon Bailey, Examiner.*—I was glad to notice a great improvement in this subject. Half of the candidates gained more than three-fourths of the whole number of marks; and there were only four who failed to gain half. Crawford, Campbell, Annie Littlejohn, Christensen, and Roche answered remarkably well; except that Annie Littlejohn's spelling of the names of places was very incorrect. The geography of Tasmania has been more carefully studied than heretofore.

HISTORY. *Rev. Canon Davenport, Examiner.*—The answers were of fair average merit. Campbell's work is remarkably good, and the answers of Christensen, Annie Littlejohn, Crawford, and Adams are very creditable. Stephens, Roche, Cummings, Mary Mylan, and Tibbs obtained more than half the marks assigned. Some of the rest had taken little pains in studying the books prescribed, and many of their answers to questions on the Sacred History were of no value. It would, in my opinion, be desirable, if possible, to prescribe for use in the Public Schools some book on the Sacred History, the historical books of the Bible being very difficult to children.

ARITHMETIC. *Rev. Canon Davenport, Examiner.*—Crawford, Campbell, and Adams obtained full marks; Christensen, Annie Littlejohn, Kelly, and Roche more than two-thirds; Mary Mylan, Viola Allsopp, Smith, Tibbs, Cripps, Cummins, Stephens, and Toan more than half the maximum of marks. The paper was not an easy one for children under twelve years of age, and the work is, as a whole, very commendable; that of the three first-named deserving high praise.

The annexed Table of Marks shows the results in detail. Not one of the Candidates failed to obtain 400 marks, the standard of qualification for a place in the Table. Fifteen boys and three girls obtained more than 600 marks, the standard for an Exhibition.

We have pleasure in recommending for Exhibitions Annie Littlejohn, Mary Maria Mylan, and Viola Angelina Carlton Allsopp, the three foremost of the girls; and Robert Henry Crawford, John Henry Campbell, Charles Corydon Adams, Laurence James Christensen, Arthur Augustus Stephens, and Patrick Daniel Kelly, the six foremost of the boys.

We are of opinion that the results of the Examination are very satisfactory, and compare favourably with those of past years. The attainments of many who have failed to win an Exhibition, because they have been outstripped in the race, deserve great praise; while those of their more successful competitors reflect still higher honor on their ability and industry, and not a little credit on the schoolmasters by whom they have been taught.

ARTHUR DAVENPORT.
J. BROOKE H. BAILEY.

Hobart Town, 24th June, 1878.

TABLE OF MARKS.

No.	NAME.	DATE OF BIRTH.	PUBLIC SCHOOL.	[Maximum No. of Marks]							
				Reading.	Dictation.	Pennmanship.	English Grammar.	Geography.	History.	Arithmetic.	TOTAL.
MALE CANDIDATES.				75	100	75	250	200	200	300	1200
1	Robert Henry Crawford	25 July, 1866	Hagley	58	95	52	223	195	182	300	1105
2	John Henry Campbell	22 November, 1866	River Don	31	95	62	179	191	193	300	1051
3	Charles Corydon Adams	14 April, 1867	Evandale	38	90	52	189	161	179	300	1009
4	Laurence James Christensen . .	12 August, 1867	River Don	27	88	55	193	175	185	253	976
5	Arthur Augustus Stephens . . .	21 March, 1867	New Town	60	96	57	180	155	154	160	862
6	Patrick Daniel Kelly	17 March, 1867	Turner's Marsh	45	72	50	202	163	91	227	850
7	James Edward Miles Roche . .	3 July, 1867	Torquay	39	96	52	138	172	138	213	848
8	John Joseph Edward Cummins.	28 October, 1866	Battery Point	55	87	50	160	142	135	174	803
9	Alfred Arthur Tibbs	7 January, 1867	Goulburn-street	60	88	42	148	150	116	183	787
10	William George Smith	16 November, 1866	Mangana	64	84	62	141	151	85	185	772
11	Charles Samuel Rapp	22 January, 1867	Macquarie-street	48	85	45	165	158	99	129	729
12	{ James Ernest Cripps	16 September, 1866	Battery Point	60	80	67	135	125	50	183	700
	{ Charles George Morgan	9 May, 1867	Battery Point	45	82	50	149	127	99	148	700
14	George Babington Toan	19 July, 1867	Bathurst-street	50	82	75	121	82	64	155	629
15	Richard John Louis King . . .	2 February, 1867	Goulburn-street	45	84	45	134	82	99	118	607
16	George Gabriel Dickens	12 January, 1867	New Town	60	86	60	109	114	45	97	571
17	John Edwin Blundstone	25 June, 1866	Bathurst-street	36	76	72	114	40	54	123	515
FEMALE CANDIDATES.											
1	Annie Littlejohn	23 March, 1867	River Don	40	79	60	192	187	183	228	969
2	Mary Maria Mylan	5 July, 1866	Emu Bay	71	93	50	151	147	119	196	827
3	Viola Angelina Carlton Allsopp	24 June, 1866	Battery Point	36	78	65	160	55	53	196	643
4	Roberta Victoria Josephine Bilton	22 October, 1867	Bridgewater	50	84	45	119	104	43	62	507

EXAMINATION PAPERS.

English

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1878. *Three hours.*Rev. CANON BAILEY, *Examiner.*

1. What is Grammar, and what principal parts does this science comprehend?
2. Give examples of the Parts of Speech.
3. Define Common, Proper, Collective, and Abstract Nouns, and give three examples of each.
4. How many Genders, Numbers, and Cases are there? State the Gender and Number, and, where indicated, the Case of the following words:—Girl, women, calves, him, children's, Henry, sheep, me, geese, William's.
5. Give the general rule for forming the Plural of Nouns. Write the plural of house, wife, church, valley, ox, wharf, potato, duty, foot, brother, penny, sheep.
6. Name the Degrees of Comparison. Compare the following words:—Large, little, many, red, thick, prudent, good, lovely, old, bad.
7. Write out the Singular and Plural Numbers of the Personal Pronouns.
8. What are Regular and Irregular Verbs? By what other name are they known? Give examples.
9. Name the Auxiliary Verbs? Why are they so called?
10. Give the Past Tense and Past Participle of the following verbs:—Do, go, see, break, give, make, seek, behold, catch, run, rise, feel, buy.
11. Write the Past Indefinite and Future Perfect Tenses, Indicative; the Present Perfect, Potential; and the Imperative Mood, of the verb *to finish*.
12. Parse the following sentence:—

"Water is the natural drink of mankind, and has been provided by the Creator more or less abundantly in all countries and climates."

Arithmetic.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1878. *Three hours.*Rev. CANON DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

1. If 2 cwt. 1 lb. cost £116 19s. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., what is the cost of 1 lb.?
2. If £60 15s. 6d. be divided equally among 13 persons, how much will each receive?
3. Write the Table of Square Measure.
4. If $\frac{1}{2}$ is worth £4 16s. 0d., what is $\frac{3}{16}$ worth?
5. Find the surface of a floor 5 yds. 7 in. long, 3 yds. 2 ft. 11 in. wide.
6. If 76ac. 2r. 10p. cost £70 10s. 6d., what will be the cost of 5 acres?
7. Find by Practice the cost of 2 qrs. 9 lbs. 13 oz., at 15s. 9d. per lb.
8. If 16 men receive £100 for 20 months, how much will 5 men receive for 12 months?
9. If an article bought for £1 2s. 11d. is sold for £1 5s. 8d., what is the profit per cent.?
10. Divide .0625 by 2.5.
11. Add together the sum and difference of $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{2}{7}$.

Geography.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1878. *Three hours.*Rev. CANON BAILEY, *Examiner.*

CAUTION.—In answering Questions 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, be careful to make your answer clear by naming each place referred to.

1. Give the names and positions of the Oceans.
2. Where are the following places?—New York, Calcutta, Valparaiso, Alexandria, Mecca, Canton, Auckland, Honolulu, Port Darwin, Odessa, Marseilles, Brindisi.
3. Where are the Carribean, Mediterranean, and Red Seas; the Gulfs of Arabia, Carpentaria, and Lyons; the Straits of Gibraltar, Magellan, and Sunda; and the Lakes Como, Ladoga, and Superior?

4. Name the most southerly Cape of Africa, the most northerly Cape of Asia, the most westerly Cape of Europe, and the most easterly Cape of South America.
5. Where do the following rivers empty themselves?—Volga, Nile, Amazon, St. Lawrence, Rhone, Ganges, Obi, Murray, Thames, Loire, Indus, Hoang Ho.
6. Name the principal Islands in the Mediterranean Sea.
7. Where are the Andes, the Alps, the Himalayas, Mt. Atlas, the Pyrenees, the Caucasian, Rocky, and Ooral Mountains?
8. In a voyage from London to the Sea of Azof, over what portions of water and through what Straits would a vessel sail?
9. Name the principal Exports of the Australian Colonies.
10. Describe the position of Tasmania. Name its counties, ten of its towns, and six each of its rivers, mountains, capes, and lakes.
11. What is meant by the statement, "Hobart Town is in 42° South Latitude, and in 147° East Longitude?"
12. Which is the West, and which the South, side of a map?

History.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1878. *Three hours.*

REV. CANON DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*

1. Relate how William the Conqueror, William Rufus, and Richard the First met their deaths.
 2. Write some particulars of the Battles of Evesham and Lewes.
 3. Name the first king of the House of Plantagenet, and give the date of his accession.
 4. Give some account of Wallace, Becket, Hereward, and Edgar Atheling.
 5. Write briefly some particulars about Naaman, Athaliah, Manasseh, and Belshazzar.
 6. Give a short account of the life and death of King Josiah.
 7. Name the last king of Israel. By whom and how was he deposed?
 8. Name the last king of Judah, and relate his end.
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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Education Office, Hobart Town, 30th July, 1877.

REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITIONS FROM PUBLIC TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS, 1878.

It is hereby notified that Six Exhibitions of the annual value of £16 13s. 4d. each, tenable for four years from the 1st July, 1878, 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, 1878.

II. It is also notified that Six Exhibitions of the value of £16 13s. 4d., tenable for one year from 1st July, 1878, 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, 1878.*

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. 1066 to A.D. 1307.
 - B. Sacred History.—From the death of Ahab to the rebuilding of the Temple.
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
TOTAL	1200

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. Arrangements will be made, where practicable, for the local examination of Candidates who may reside at a distance from Hobart Town.

X. Applications† from Candidates desirous of offering themselves for Examination should be transmitted to the Chairman on or before the 1st May, 1878, 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, 1878.

By Order of the Board,

HENRY BUTLER, *Chairman.*

* NOTE.—The Board are not in a position to make the Exhibitions for Girls tenable for a longer period than twelve months, until the sanction of Parliament shall have been obtained.

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