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COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

REPORT FOR 1863-4.

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*Tasmanian Council of Education,
Hobart Town, 30th May, 1864.*

*To His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, C.B., Captain-General
and Governor-in-Chief of the Colony of Tasmania and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

1. In conformity with the provisions of "The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act," we beg leave to submit to Your Excellency this our Fourth Report, embracing the proceedings of the Council between the 1st May, 1863, and the 30th April, 1864.

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2. We caused an Examination to be held in the month of June, 1863, of Candidates for Exhibitions to Superior Schools; and, on the recommendation of the Examiners, we awarded, out of the sum placed at our disposal by Parliament for this purpose, two Exhibitions of the value of Fifty Pounds each to Charles Hunt Roope, Pupil of the Rev. J. Buckland, Hutchins School, and of E. C. Nowell, Esq., Hobart Town, and to John Snowden, Pupil of the Rev. R. D. Harris, High School, Hobart Town, and late an Exhibitioner from one of the Public Schools under the Board of Education. Seventeen boys offered themselves for examination. The Examiners report "a considerable increase both in the number of marks assigned to the best Candidates, and in the average number obtained by the twelve who stand highest in the respective lists. The latter number last year was 462, it is 503 this year. This feature of the Examination warrants our re-assertion of a statement made by the Examiners last year, 'that a gradual but steady improvement seems to be taking place in the acquirements of the Candidates from year to year.'"

Exhibitions to
Superior
Schools.
Appendices
III. & IV.

3. On the recommendation of the Examiners we have decided to require from Candidates for future Exhibitions a knowledge of the earlier sections of Anthon's Greek Reader, it having been represented to us that the study of Greek has considerably advanced under the stimulus afforded by the annual Examinations.

Regulations
for Examination,
year
1863.
Appendix V.

4. The Fourth Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts was held in September, 1863, when six Candidates presented themselves. One Candidate was rejected at the Preliminary Examination. Three Candidates,—namely, David Barclay, Henry Lewis Garrett, (one of the Council's Exhibitioners), and Hugh Sunderland Barrett,—were admitted to the Degree, and a fourth Candidate, William Towers Waterhouse, obtained the Council's Certificate of Merit, having fallen very little short of the standard for the Degree. None of the Candidates who passed for the Degree were placed in the First Class, but each of them took Prizes of the Second Class—Barclay for Pure Mathematics and for Natural Philosophy, Garrett for Latin, and Barrett for French. It is also worthy of note that the Candidate highest on the list (Barclay) presented neither Latin nor Greek.

Fourth Examination
for the Degree of
A. A.
Appendices
VI. & VII.

5. The Examiners, in referring to the diminution in the number of Candidates, remark:—"This is not really a ground for discouragement, but rather the reverse; for it is probably only a result of what seems to be a law at the institution of any system like that of this Examination. At first the real difficulties of the Examination are unknown, and, as it is but the outset of the system, Examiners are perhaps more indulgent. Hence, for a year or two Candidates are very ready to come forward, then for a year or two there will be a reaction, and a hesitation on the part of Candidates to present themselves, and of their Teachers to send them in till they are fully prepared. The Class List this year proves that the Candidates were, on the whole, better prepared; for, though none of them showed any extraordinary ability, all who have attained the Degree are placed in the Second Class. One-half of the Candidates obtain the Degree, a larger proportion than in any year except 1861."

Scheme of
Fifth Exa-
mination for
the Degree of
A. A.
Appendix
VIII.

6. At the suggestion of the Examiners, we have caused some slight alterations to be made in the Scheme for the next Examination for the Degree. Architecture is wholly omitted from the syllabus, as being too special and professional a subject to be selected for this Examination, besides requiring much more thought and study than a boy can possibly give.

Abolition of
Certificate of
Merit.

7. The Examiners further represented to us that the Council's Certificate of Merit was objectionable in form, inasmuch as it did not show that the Candidate had failed to obtain the Degree,—nay, rather suggested inferentially that he had won it honourably; and they recommended certain alterations in the form in order to remove such objections. Those objections appeared to us to be well founded; but we felt that the Certificate of Merit in its amended form would be of little or no value as a Testimonial, and we therefore, after long and careful deliberation, decided to abolish it altogether.

Third Exa-
mination for
the Tasmanian
Scholarships.
Appendices
IX. & X.

8. At the conclusion of the Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts, the third Examination for the Tasmanian Scholarships was held. Mr. William Knight was the only Candidate. He passed the Examination with credit, obtaining in all subjects 2071 marks out of 3750, and in Classics and Mathematics more than the number of marks fixed by the Council as essential to success. The Scholarship was awarded to Mr. Knight accordingly, and he has since proceeded to England to enter upon his University studies.

9. The first two Tasmanian Scholars have matriculated, Mr. Hope at St. John's College, Cambridge, Mr. Garrett at Balliol College, Oxford. The accounts we have received in respect to these gentlemen are highly satisfactory, and lead us to believe that they will fully sustain the reputation they acquired in this Colony.

Prize for Latin
Verse Compo-
sition.
Appendices XI
and XII.

10. No prize was awarded for Latin Verse Composition. Only one exercise was presented,—namely, that of Mr. William Knight,—which did not fulfil the conditions of the award. The Examiners, however, report that as a whole the Exercise was very creditable, the versification smooth, and the difficulties of translation well met, the errors few and unimportant; and that but for the reservation made by the Council as to quantity they would have had no hesitation in recommending the Council to award the Prize.

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VIII.

11. We have offered another Prize of the value of Five Pounds for the best translation (if considered worthy) into Latin Elegiacs of the first nine quatrains of Gray's "Elegy;" the competitors for such Prize to be under twenty years of age, and to have been resident in the Colony for three years next before the date of the Examination.

Recognition
of Degree of
A. A. by
Council of
Medical Edu-
cation of the
United King-
dom.

12. We have received the following communication from the Registrar of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom:—

(Copy.)

Medical Registration Office, 32, Soho Square, London, W., 20th August, 1863.

SIR,

IN reply to your letter, dated 10th May, 1863, I have the honor to state for the information of the Tasmanian Council of Education, that at the Meeting, in last May, of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration a Committee was appointed "to consider the Recognition of Foreign and Colonial Degrees or Examinations," which Committee reported as follows respecting the request that the "Degree of Associate of Arts" granted by the Tasmanian Council of Education be inserted among the Educational Qualifications mentioned in the 3rd Section of the Report of the General Committee on Education adopted by the Medical Council on the 6th July, 1861:—

"The requirements for this Degree are very high, comprising an Examination on the following ten subjects:—

English.	The Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics.
Latin.	
Greek.	
French, German, or Italian.	
Pure Mathematics.	
	The Elements of Chemistry.
	Zoology and Botany.
	Drawing and Architecture.
	Geology.

"The Candidate is required to satisfy the Examiners that he possesses a competent knowledge of four of these at least, of which Latin or Pure Mathematics must be one. It thus appears that the Regulations do not render *both* Latin and Mathematics imperative, and the Committee cannot recommend the Council to sanction any Certificate which does not bear that the holder has passed a satisfactory Examination in Latin as well as in Mathematics. As, however, many Students will probably pass in both these branches, their Degree might be accepted if accompanied by a Certificate that the Examiners were satisfied with the knowledge of the applicant in these two departments in each particular case."

The Report from which the foregoing passage is extracted was approved of and adopted by the Medical Council; and, accordingly, to the List of Educational Qualifications above referred to has been added,—“The Degree of Associate of Arts granted by the Tasmanian Council of Education, with a Certificate that the Student has been examined in Latin and Mathematics.”

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) FRAS. HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

*The Registrar of the Tasmanian Council of Education, &c.,
Hobart Town.*

13. We have caused the following alteration to be made in our Rules and Regulations, and have duly obtained the approval of Your Excellency in Council thereto:—

Alteration of
Council's
Rules and
Regulations.

Original Rule.

16. It shall be competent for the Council to award such remuneration annually to the Examiners as it thinks fit: provided always, that no Member of the Council who shall be appointed Examiner shall be entitled to receive remuneration for his services in such capacity.

Rule as amended.

16. It shall be competent for the Council to award such remuneration annually to the Examiners as it thinks fit.

14. Vacancies have been created in the Council by the retirement of the Right Rev. Dr. Nixon, Sir Francis Smith, E. S. P. Bedford, Esq., and F. H. Henslowe, Esq. Steps have been taken for supplying these vacancies, and the election will take place on Thursday next.

Vacancies in
Council.

15. We submit a Statement of the Disbursements of the Council between the 1st January and the 31st December, 1863, the termination of the financial year; together with a Supplementary Statement of Payments between the 1st January and the 30th April, 1864. Our total Expenditure under every head is shown to have amounted to £833 15s. 10d., being £258 10s. 6d. less than the amount of the Parliamentary Vote.

Expenditure
of Council for
year 1863.
Appendix I.

R. OFFICER, *President*.

POSTSCRIPT.—Since the foregoing Report was adopted, the Auditor's certified Statement of Expenditure has been rendered, from which it appears that the sum of £238 19s. 8d., being the cost of the Dies for the Council's Gold Medals, the Medals issued in 1860 and 1861, and the attendant charges thereon, were chargeable against the year 1863. These items of expenditure are adverted to in the Reports of previous years. The actual disbursements, therefore, of the past year amounted to £1072 15s. 6d., being £19 10s. 10d. less than the amount of the Parliamentary Vote.

Postscript.

R. OFFICER, *President*.

APPENDICES TO ANNUAL REPORT.

I. Abstract of Expenditure for the Year 1863, together with Supplementary Statement of Disbursements during the period from 1 January to 30 April, 1864.

II. Rules and Regulations of the Council of Education.

Exhibitions to Superior Schools.

III. Regulations for the Annual Examination, June, 1863.

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V. Regulations for the Annual Examination, June, 1864.

Degree of Associate of Arts.

VI. Scheme of Examination for the Year 1863.

VII. Examiners' Report, &c.

VIII. Amended Scheme of Examination for the Year 1864.

Tasmanian Scholarships.

IX. Scheme of Examination for the Year 1863.

X. Examiners' Report, &c.

Prize for Latin Verse Composition.

XI. Regulations for award of Prize, September, 1863.

XII. Examiners' Report.

XIII. Regulations for award of Prize, September, 1864.

TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

APPENDIX I.

ABSTRACT of EXPENDITURE from 1st January to 31st December, 1863, including Sums exhibited in Supplementary Statement of Expenditure, to 30th April, 1863. (Parl. Paper, H.A., No. 4, 1863.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ARREARS OF PREVIOUS YEARS.									
Dies for Gold Medal	—			157	18	0			
Seven Gold Medals issued to the Medallists of 1860 and 1861	—			70	0	0			
Charges for Insurance, Freight, &c. of 25 Medals	—			11	1	8			
							238	19	8
SERVICE OF 1863.—COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.									
Secretary's Salary	—			60	0	0			
Books and Stationery	—			8	16	7			
Printing and Advertising	—			12	15	2			
Incidental Charges	—			1	0	0			
							82	11	9
DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Books for distribution as Prizes	—			35	17	3			
Examiners' Fees; viz,—									
Professor Irving	70	0	0						
Professor Wilson	50	0	0						
C. Gould, Esq.	5	0	0						
F. Buck, Esq.	10	0	0						
H. Hunter, Esq.	7	10	0						
							142	10	0
Attendants	—						6	15	0
Tasmanian Scholars; viz.—									
Mr. C. A. Hope, 7 months, at £200 per annum	116	13	4						
Mr. A. Garrett, 7 months, at £200 per annum	116	13	4						
							233	6	8
									418 8 11
EXHIBITIONS TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS.									
H. L. Garrett, Exhibitioner of 1860	50	0	0						
F. Carandini, ditto	50	0	0						
W. R. Carter, Exhibitioner of 1861	50	0	0						
C. Hogg, ditto	50	0	0						
J. W. Canaway, of 1862	50	0	0						
H. A. Perkins, ditto	50	0	0						
J. Snowden, Exhibitioner of 1863	25	0	0						
							325	0	0
Examiners' Fees—Rev. A. Davenport	—			5	5	0			
Attendants, Light, and Fuel	—			2	10	2			
							332	15	2
									£1072 15 6

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

Examined and certified to be correct,

E. J. MANLEY, *Colonial Auditor.*
30 May, 1864.

SUPPLEMENTARY Statement of DISBURSEMENTS during the Period from 1st January to 30th April, 1864, inclusively.

	£	s.	d.
COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.			
Secretary's Salary to 31st March, 1864	15	0	0

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

Certified,

E. J. MANLEY, *Colonial Auditor,*
30 May, 1864.

APPENDIX II.

*REVISED RULES and REGULATIONS of the TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION, constituted under
"The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act."*

OF THE COUNCIL.

1. THE Council shall meet on the first Thursday in every month.
2. The Minutes of every Meeting shall be entered in a Journal to be kept by the Secretary.
3. The Minutes of each Meeting shall be read and confirmed at the next Meeting.
4. It shall be competent for the President to call a Special Meeting of the Council.
5. Upon a written requisition signed by not less than four Members of the Council, and setting forth the business for which the Meeting is to be convened, the President, or in his absence the Secretary, shall call a Meeting of the Council.
6. A Notice of every Meeting, whether special or otherwise, must be supplied to each Member by the Secretary.
7. Every Motion which is to be brought under the consideration of the Council must be entered in a book to be kept by the Secretary for that purpose; and notices of such Motion must be sent to each Member at least five days previously.
8. To constitute a quorum not less than five Members must be present; and if the quorum be not constituted, the business for consideration shall stand over to the next Meeting.
9. The absence of any Member from all Meetings of the Council which may have been holden during the period of twelve months shall, *ipso facto*, render his seat vacant in the said Council, unless special leave of the Council shall have been obtained.

SEAL.

10. There shall be a special Seal engraved for the Tasmanian Council of Education, the custody of which shall be entrusted to the President. This Seal shall be affixed to no document except by order of the Council.

EXAMINERS.

11. The Council shall, at the General Meeting in March in each year, make arrangements for the appointment of Public Examiners, who shall conduct the Examinations for both the Degree of Associate of Arts and for the Scholarships; provided that two Members of the Council at least be present at such Examinations.
12. The Public Examiners appointed as aforesaid shall elect a Chairman, who shall present to the President of the Council, or in his absence the Chairman, the several successful Candidates for the Degree of Associate of Arts and for the Scholarships, at a Special Annual Meeting to be held for the purpose of granting the former, and awarding the latter.
13. The names of all Students who have passed such Examination to the satisfaction of the Examiners shall be published in the *Gazette*; such names being arranged in order of merit, in different classes or otherwise, as the Examiners think fit.
14. At the termination of every Annual Examination, the Public Examiners shall report to the Council upon the general proficiency and amount of knowledge displayed by the body of Candidates in the several Examinations; and the Council may, if it think proper, cause such report to be published in the *Government Gazette*.
15. No person appointed Examiner shall examine, for the Degree of Associate of Arts or for a Tasmanian Scholarship, any Candidate who is either his pupil or has been such within the twelve months preceding such Examination.
16. It shall be competent for the Council to award such remuneration annually to the Examiners as it thinks fit.
17. Every *viva voce* Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts, and for the Tasmanian Scholarships, shall be in public.

THE SECRETARY.

18. The Secretary shall prepare and have charge of the Records of the Council, keep all Registers and Books of Accounts which may be requisite, and conduct all correspondence.

OF THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

19. The Degree of Associate of Arts shall be open to persons of any age: but Candidates for that Degree above the age of nineteen years, who may take honors, shall be placed in separate class lists, and shall not be eligible for any Scholarships, Exhibitions, or Prizes that may hereafter be awarded under the Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act.

20. At least twelve months before each Examination there shall be published in the *Gazette*, and in two Newspapers, one on the Northern and one on the Southern side of the Colony, a list of the subjects in which it is determined that the Candidates are to be examined, and such list shall be signed by the Secretary to the Council.

21. Within fourteen days after the termination of the Examination, there shall be published, in like manner, a list of those Candidates who have been recommended for the Degree of Associate of Arts by the Examiners; *and the names of such Candidates shall be arranged in order of merit*, together with the place of residence of each, and the school, if any, from which he comes; and the list shall be signed by the Public Examiners.

22. In determining the Classes, account will be taken of every part of the Examination; but no credit will be given for knowledge in any subject unless the Candidates show enough to satisfy the Examiners in that subject.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

23. Previously to the examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts, every Candidate will be required to satisfy the Examiners in—

1. Reading aloud a passage from some English prose author.
2. Writing from dictation.
3. The analysis and parsing of a passage from some standard English author.
4. The first four Rules of Arithmetic, Simple and Compound.
5. Geography. Under this head a competent knowledge will be required of the chief ranges of mountains, the principal rivers, the principal towns, and the coast-line of one or more of the countries in the following list:—England, Scotland, Ireland, Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Australasia.
6. The outlines of English History since the Conquest; that is to say, the succession of Sovereigns, the chief events, and some account of the leading men in each reign.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

24. The examination for those Students who have satisfactorily passed the preliminary examination will comprise the subjects mentioned in the following ten sections, in four of which at least, Latin or Pure Mathematics being one, the Candidate must satisfy the Examiners:—

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| 1. English. | 6. The Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics. |
| 2. Latin. | 7. The Elements of Chemistry. |
| 3. Greek. | 8. Zoology and Botany. |
| 4. French, German, or Italian. | 9. Drawing and Architecture. |
| 5. Pure Mathematics. | 10. Geology. |

25. The Council will direct to be published each year the Authors in Latin, Greek, French, Italian, and German, in the whole or portions of which the Candidates will be examined at the next Examination, together with a list of text books which they may deem advisable to recommend on the subjects contained in the other sections.

26. Every successful Candidate for the Degree of Associate of Arts shall receive a Certificate of his having obtained such Degree; and such Certificate shall be on parchment, under the Seal, and signed by the President of the Council. The Certificate shall specify the subjects in which the Candidate has passed, and the Class, if any, that he has attained.

OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS.

27. Every Candidate for a Scholarship must, by the provisions of the Act, be above the age of sixteen and under the age of twenty years; he must also have been resident in the Colony for the period of five years next before the time of his examination, and have taken the Degree of Associate of Arts.

28. By the 14th Section of the Act, the examination for Tasmanian Scholarships must comprise the following subjects :—

1. Classics—Translations from Greek and Latin authors into English, Greek and Latin composition, Ancient History, Philology.
2. Mathematics—Arithmetic, Algebra, Euclid, Plane Trigonometry.
3. Natural Philosophy—Elementary Statics, Dynamics, and Hydrostatics.
4. Modern History—The History of England.
5. The grammatical structure of the English Language, and French or German, at the option of the Candidate.

29. Every Scholar shall forward to the Secretary of the Council a certificate from the proper authority, testifying to his having become a Member of some University of the United Kingdom; and until such certificate be received by the Secretary to the Council, or by their accredited agent in Great Britain, the Council will not authorise the payment of any portion of the Annual value of the Scholarship: provided always that this condition shall not apply in any case where it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Council that the Scholar has been prevented by sickness or other sufficient cause from entering himself on the books of an University.

30. The Council will order to be paid by the Secretary, or an accredited agent in Great Britain, quarterly, to the said Scholar, the amount of his Scholarship for the quarter, upon the receipt by their Secretary, or by such accredited agent, of a testimonial from the authorities of the University or College to which he may belong, stating that he is conducting himself diligently and steadily.

31. In the event of any Tasmanian Scholar not being able to produce such a testimonial for any three months, he shall forfeit the amount to which he would be otherwise entitled for the said three months; and should he fail to do so for twelve months, his Scholarship shall be declared vacant, and he shall have no claim for moneys accruing therefrom: provided always, that this Rule shall not apply to Scholars when they have been incapacitated by illness from attending to their College or University duties.

32. For the further encouragement of Tasmanian Scholars to prosecute their studies diligently in the University to which they belong, the Council of Education will cause to be published in the *Government Gazette* the names of such as may have obtained Prizes, Scholarships, or Exhibitions, or whose names may have appeared in the "Honour List," together with the description or class of Honour which may have been awarded to them.

FORM of Presentation for Admission to the DEGREE of ASSOCIATE of ARTS.

Mr. President [*or Chairman as the case may be*] and Members of the Tasmanian Council of Education, I present to you *A.B.* as a fit and proper person to be admitted to the Degree of Associate of Arts; and I certify to you, and to the Council, that he has fulfilled the conditions prescribed by the Regulations for that Degree.

FORM of Admission by the President [or Chairman.]

By virtue of the authority committed to me, I admit you to the Degree of Associate of Arts.

APPENDIX III.

EXHIBITIONS TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS, 1863.

Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town, 7th August, 1862.

It is hereby notified that Two Exhibitions of £50 each, for the year commencing 1st July, 1863, will be open for competition in the second week of June next to every boy under the age of fourteen years on the 1st June, 1863, not at present holding one of such Exhibitions, and who has not been a pupil of a Government School within six months of the date of the Examination.

Every Candidate must produce testimonials of his having conducted himself well during the twelve months preceding the Examination, and of having been for two years a resident in the Colony.

The Examination will comprise the following subjects :—

1. English Grammar and Language.
2. Geography (Cornwell's, School Geography).
3. History.
 - A. Miss Corner's History of England.
 - B. Smith's History of Greece. Portions relating to the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars.
 - C. Liddell's History of Rome. Portions relating to the Punic Wars.
 - D. History of the Kingdoms of Israel and Judah from Saul to the Captivity.
4. Arithmetic.
5. French.
6. Latin. Virgil, *Æneid*, Book I., Cæsar de Bello Gallico, Book II.
7. Greek.
8. Algebra.
9. First Book of Euclid.

The Exhibitions will be tenable at such Superior Schools as shall be named by the Parent or Guardian and approved by the Council.

Arrangements will be made for conducting the Examination at one or more central places in the town or district in which the Candidates may reside.

Candidates desirous of offering themselves for Examination must notify, in writing, their intention to the Secretary on or before the 1st May, 1863, transmitting at the same time the testimonials above required, and a Certificate from the Parent or Guardian that the Candidate will not be 14 years of age on the 1st June, 1863.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX IV.

EXHIBITIONS TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS.

Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town, 22nd June, 1863.

THE Council of Education have directed the publication of the following Report of the Examiners appointed to conduct the Examination of Candidates for Exhibitions to Superior Schools.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Examiners, the Council have awarded two Exhibitions of the value of £50 each, to

CHARLES HUNT ROOPE, and
JOHN SNOWDEN,

subject to the conditions laid down in the Council's Regulations, dated 7th August, 1862.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary*.

To the Tasmanian Council of Education.

Hobart Town, 15th June, 1863.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have the honor to lay before you a Report of the Fourth Annual Examination for Exhibitions to Superior Schools, which was brought to a close on the 13th instant, having commenced on the 8th instant.

Eighteen boys offered themselves for Examination, of whom one was hindered from attendance by illness: of the remaining Candidates one was examined at Launceston, the rest at Hobart Town. The two Examinations proceeded simultaneously, and were identical in all respects.

The Examination embraced the same subjects as in the two previous years, with a similar distribution of the numerical values assigned to the several papers; viz.—

	<i>Maximum No. of Marks.</i>
I. English	200
II. Geography	150
III. Arithmetic	150
IV. Latin	150
V. History	150
VI. Greek	100
VII. Euclid	100
VIII. Algebra	100
IX. French.....	100
TOTAL	1200

The Examination Papers are herewith appended. The results are as follows :—

ENGLISH.

[REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*]

The work done will appear by the number of marks assigned to be less satisfactory than in former years. The answers of the best were not so good as was expected, and some were very bad. But the paper contained fewer elementary questions of the kind most easy to boys, and more questions than formerly requiring a somewhat advanced knowledge. Hence, comparing the results with those of previous Examinations, the diminution of average merit is more apparent than real. None of the Candidates, however, deserve high praise, though the answers of Snowden, Dowling, and a few others are very fair.

GEOGRAPHY.

[H. BUTLER, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

The questions on this subject were very generally attempted by all the Candidates, six of whom obtained more than half of the maximum number of marks. The papers of Roope and Snowden deserve especial commendation, both for the fullness and accuracy of their answers, each of them obtaining more than two-thirds of the marks assigned to the subject.

ARITHMETIC.

[H. BUTLER, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

Eight of the Candidates obtained more than half the number of marks allotted to this subject. A. Foote and G. W. Staples deserve great praise for the neatness and accuracy of their work. A comparison of the marks obtained at this Examination does not contrast favourably with last year's, although the paper was mainly of an elementary character.

LATIN.

[REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*]

This paper was attempted by all the Candidates except two. The answers of eight are creditable, their value being expressed by more than half the maximum number of marks. Those of Roope, Dowling, Giblin, and Morris are very good. Three Candidates manifested entire ignorance of the grammar.

HISTORY.

[H. BUTLER, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

Only two of the Candidates obtained more than half marks in this subject. Six others answered very creditably. The paper by Snowden deserves especial mention. With one exception, every question was correctly answered, and the replies evidenced very satisfactory acquaintance with the subject.

GREEK.

[REV. A. DAVENPORT, *Examiner.*]

The paper was rather more difficult than in former years. It was attempted by nine, and the work done by Roope, Woods, Morris, and Knight showed a fair elementary knowledge. There is considerable improvement in this subject on the work done at previous Examinations.

EUCLID.

[F. H. HENSLOWE, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

All the Candidates brought up this subject. Three papers were remarkably well done,—those of Roope, Snowden, and Giblin; and, upon the first perusal, appeared so nearly equal in merit, that it was deemed advisable that they should be submitted to the careful and separate scrutiny of two Examiners. The result has been to assign to these three Candidates the places they hold respectively in the Euclid List. None of the other Candidates succeeded in obtaining half marks. Seven did not attempt to go beyond the Definitions and Axioms.

ALGEBRA.

[F. H. HENSLOWE, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

All the Candidates attempted this paper, but the result was not satisfactory, no Candidate succeeded in answering more than two-thirds of the questions. Giblin's paper was the best; only three others obtained half marks.

FRENCH.

[F. H. HENSLOWE, ESQUIRE, *Examiner.*]

Ten Candidates presented themselves : one only, Roope, whose paper was very good, deserves special notice. Five others obtained more than half marks. The rest were very deficient.

Each Examiner undertook a special responsibility in respect of three subjects. But sufficient mutual consultation, and a scrutiny of the answers in some instances on the part of more than one Examiner, enable us to submit the result, as our united verdict, with entire confidence in its accuracy and fairness.

The annexed Table contains an analysis of the work done by the Candidates who obtained more than one-fourth of the whole number of marks assignable. Of these, the most successful are—

CHARLES H. ROOPE, and
JOHN SNOWDEN.

Their work, as a whole, deserves high praise; and we have satisfaction in recommending them for the Exhibitions. In the case of Snowden, our satisfaction is increased by the knowledge that he has previously obtained an Exhibition awarded by the Board of Education :—

TABLE OF MARKS.

No.	NAME.	AGE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	English.	French.	Latin.	Greek.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	Euclid.	Geography.	History.	TOTAL.
			[Maximum No. of Marks . . .		200	100	150	100	150	200	100	150	150	1200
1	Roope, Charles H. . .	13	Hutchins School and Private Tuition, Hobart Town	Rev. J. R. Buckland and E. C. Nowell, Esq.	78	82	134	44	60	59	87	110	78	732
2	Snowden, John . . .	13	High School, ditto . . .	Rev. R. D. Harris	93	55	77	29	91	48	88	101	129	711
3	Giblin, Edward O. . .	13	Ditto, and Horton College, Ross	Ditto, and W. W. Fox, Esq.	58	55	106	34	68	69	86	82	66	624
4	Dowling, Henry E. F. .	12	Church Grammar School, Launceston	Rev. F. W. Quilter	92	59	102	22	83	23	36	43	59	529
5	Staples, George W. . .	12	Chalmers School, Hobart Town	Mr. A. Ireland . .	72	24	79	7	97	64	45	96	43	527
6	Staples, James J. H. .	13	Ditto	Ditto	88	38	68	12	86	41	34	95	62	524
7	Morris, William . . .	13	Hutchins School, Hobart Town	Rev. J. R. Buckland	70	67	103	39	62	20	13	73	73	523
8	Knight, Henry P. . .	12	Ditto	Ditto	75	59	83	36	66	35	31	80	27	492
9	Woods, James R. . .	13	Horton College, Ross . .	W. W. Fox, Esq.	52	46	89	39	38	34	8	53	42	401
10	Hughes, Edwin . . .	12	High School, Hobart Town	Rev. R. D. Harris	83	34	21	-	64	39	21	71	28	361
11	Foote, Augustus F. . .	11	Chalmers School, ditto .	Mr. A. Ireland . .	44	14	-	-	122	36	9	63	27	315
12	Heron, Alexander H. .	12	Private School, ditto . .	Mr. A. Cairnduff	60	-	21	-	79	50	17	57	19	303

It will appear, from a comparison with the foregoing Table with that contained in the Report of last year's Examination, that there is a considerable increase both in the number of marks assigned to the best Candidates, and in the average number obtained by the twelve who stand highest in the respective Lists. The latter number last year was 462,—it is 503 this year. This feature of the Examination warrants our re-assertion of a statement made by the Examiners last year, that “a gradual but steady improvement seems to be taking place in the acquirements of the Candidates from year to year.”

We submit for the consideration of the Council, that it would be desirable to propose, as part of the scheme of the next Examination, a short portion of a Greek prose author; the study of that language, as well as of other subjects, having considerably advanced under the stimulus afforded by the Annual Examinations.

The thanks of the Examiners are due to the Rev. F. Hales, — Latouche, and — Browne, Esquires, for the assistance they rendered in superintending the Examination of the Candidates at Launceston.

We desire to record our appreciation of the punctuality and accuracy of the Government Printer; and to express our thanks to your Secretary, Mr. Burgess, for his unremitting attention to the duties connected with the Examination which have devolved on him.

We have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servants,

ARTHUR DAVENPORT.
FR. HARTWELL HENSLOWE.
HENRY BUTLER.

APPENDIX V.

EXHIBITIONS TO SUPERIOR SCHOOLS.

Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town, 20th July, 1863.

It is hereby notified, that two Exhibitions of £50 each, for the year commencing on the 1st July, 1864, will be open for competition in the second week of June next to every boy under the age of fourteen years on the 1st June, 1864, not at present holding one of such Exhibitions, and who has not been a pupil of a Government School within six months of the date of the Examination.

Every Candidate must produce testimonials of his having conducted himself well during the twelve months preceding the Examination, and of having been for two years a resident in the Colony.

The Examination will comprise the following subjects:—

1. English Grammar and Language.
2. Geography (Cornwell's School Geography).
3. History.
 - A. Miss Corner's History of England.
 - B. Smith's smaller History of Greece. Portions relating to the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars.
 - C. Liddell's smaller History of Rome. Portions relating to the Punic Wars.
 - D. History of the Kingdoms of Israel and Judah from Saul to the Captivity.
4. Arithmetic.
5. French.
6. Latin. Virgil, *Æneid*, Book II., *Cæsar de Bello Gallico*, Book III.
7. Greek. Anthon's Greek Reader, pages 67—104, inclusive.
8. Algebra.
9. First and Second Books of Euclid.

The Exhibitions will be tenable at such Superior Schools as shall be named by the Parent or Guardian and approved by the Council.

Arrangements will be made for conducting the Examination in one or more central places in the town or district in which the Candidates may reside.

Candidates desirous of offering themselves for Examination must notify in writing their intention to the Secretary on or before the 1st May, 1864, transmitting at the same time the testimonials above required, and a Certificate from the Parent or Guardian that the Candidate will not be fourteen years of age on the 1st June, 1864.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX VI.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS, 1863.

*Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town,
8th March, 1862.*

THE Council of Education have directed the publication of the following Scheme of Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts for the Year 1863.

The Conditions upon which the Degree is granted, and Honours and Prizes are awarded, are also published for general information.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary to the Council.*

SKETCH of the Examination for the Degree of ASSOCIATE OF ARTS for the Year 1863.

ENGLISH.—The Candidate will be examined in Goldsmith's "Deserted Village," with Questions on the Etymology and Grammatical construction of the Language; in English History, from the Accession of James I. to death of Anne; and will be required to write a short original Composition, or a Report founded upon some abstract of facts furnished to him. He will also be examined in Physical, Commercial, and Political Geography. Books recommended: Trench's English, Past and Present, (3s. 6d., Parker); Morell's Grammar and Analysis with the Exercises, (3s. 6d., Constable); Cornwell's School Geography, (3s. 6d., Simpkin & Co.); and Hughes's Physical Geography, (3s. 6d., Longman.)

LATIN.—Virgil, *Æneid*, Book III., Horace, Odes, Books III. and IV.; and Livy, Book XXII. Questions will also be given on the parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions. A passage for translation from some other Latin author; and passages of English for translation into Latin Prose and Verse.

GREEK.—Xenophon's *Anabasis*, Book IV.; Homer's *Iliad*, Book IV.; and Euripides, *Hecuba*. Questions on the parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions. A passage for translation from some other Greek author.

FRENCH.—Passages will be given from Molière's *Les Fourberies de Scapin*, and Madame de la Rochejaquelein's *Memoirs of the Vendean War*, for translation into English; with questions on parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions. Also a passage from some other French author for translation into English, and from some English author into French.

GERMAN.—Passages will be given from Schiller's *Revolt of the Netherlands*, or *Wallenstein*, with questions on the parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions; also a passage from some other German author for translation into English, and from an English author into German.

ITALIAN.—Candidates in this Section will be examined in Silvio Pellico, with questions on the parsing, and grammatical construction; also a passage from some other Italian author for translation into English and from an English author into Italian.

PURE MATHEMATICS.—Questions will be set in Euclid, Books I. II. III. IV., Arithmetic, and Algebra. Candidates for Honours will be required to satisfy the Examiners in Euclid, Books VI. and XI., as far as proposition xxi., Plane Trigonometry, the use of Logarithms, and Mensuration.

NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.—The Candidate must be prepared to answer questions set in Newth's first Book of Natural Philosophy.

CHEMISTRY.—The Candidate will be examined in Inorganic Chemistry. Book recommended: Wilson's Chemistry, (3s., Chambers' Educational Course.)

ZOOLOGY AND BOTANY.—Elementary questions will be set on the description and classification of animals, their habits and geographical distribution; and on the mercantile and industrial uses of animal products. Also, the description and classification of plants, their uses, and geographical distribution. Plants, and parts of plants, will be given for description. Text Books: Milne Edwards's Zoology, 7s. 6d., Renshaw) and Lindley's Elements of Botany, (12s., Bradbury).

GEOLOGY.—The Candidate will be examined in Page's Introductory Text Books of Geology, (5s. Blackwood.)

DRAWING AND ARCHITECTURE.—Drawing from the Flat, from Models, from Memory, and in Perspective, and Drawings from Plans, Sections, and Elevations. Design in Pen and Ink and in Colour. A fair degree of skill in freehand Drawing will be required in order that a Student may pass in this section.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED.—Field on Colour, 2s., Weale's Series; Dobson's Rudiments of the Art of Building, 1s., Weale's Series; Burn's Illustrated Architectural and Engineering Drawing-book, 2s., Ward and Lock; Burn's Ornamental Drawing and Architectural Design, 2s., Ward and Lock.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

Previously to the Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts, every Candidate will be required to satisfy the Examiners in—

1. Reading aloud a passage from some English prose author.
2. Writing from dictation.
3. The Analysis and Parsing of a passage from some standard English author.
4. The first four Rules of Arithmetic, Simple and Compound.
5. Geography. Under this head a competent knowledge will be required of the chief ranges of mountains, the principal rivers, the principal towns, and the coast-line of one or more of the countries in the following list:—England, Scotland, Ireland, Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Australasia.
6. The outlines of English History since the Conquest; that is to say, the succession of Sovereigns, the chief events, and some account of the leading men in each reign.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

The examination for those Students who have satisfactorily passed the preliminary examination will comprise the subjects mentioned in the following ten sections, in four of which at least, Latin or Pure Mathematics being one, the Candidate must satisfy the Examiners:—

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| 1. English. | 6. The Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics. |
| 2. Latin. | 7. The Elements of Chemistry. |
| 3. Greek. | 8. Zoology and Botany. |
| 4. French, German, or Italian. | 9. Geology. |
| 5. Pure Mathematics. | 10. Drawing and Architecture. |

PRIZES.

1. The Council's Gold Medal, of the value of Ten Pounds, will be awarded to the Senior Associate, provided he be placed by the Examiners in the First Class of Associate of Arts.

2. Books to the value of Ten Pounds will be awarded as the First Prize in Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, to the Candidate who most distinguishes himself in each of those subjects, provided he be placed by the Examiners in the First Class of the Associates of Arts.

3. Books to the value of Five Pounds will be awarded as the Second Prize for each of the above-named Subjects, at the discretion of the Examiners.

4. Prizes of the value of £5 each will, at the discretion of the Examiners, be awarded to the Candidates who most distinguish themselves in Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, provided their names appear in the Class List of those recommended for the Degree.

5. In the event of any Candidate being specially recommended by the Examiners as displaying a *very* high order of proficiency in English, Greek, Latin, or Mathematics, the Council will be prepared to award their Gold Medal to such Candidate.

APPENDIX VII.

DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.—SEPTEMBER, 1863.

IN conformity with the Rules and Regulations of the Tasmanian Council of Education, the Council have directed the publication of the names of the Candidates who have passed the Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts to the satisfaction of the Examiners, and upon whom that Degree has been conferred accordingly :—

FIRST CLASS.

None.

SECOND CLASS.

DAVID BARCLAY, Age 17, Hobart Town, Pupil of High School, Hobart Town, Rev. R. D. Harris' M.A., Rector. Awarded Prizes of Books of the value of Five Pounds each for Pure Mathematics and Natural Philosophy.

HENRY LEWIS GARRETT, Age 16, Hobart Town, Pupil of the Hutchins School, Hobart Town, Rev. J. R. Buckland, Head Master. Awarded a Prize of Books of the value of Five Pounds for Latin.

HUGH SUNDERLAND BARRETT, Age 16, Hobart Town, Pupil of High School, Hobart Town, Rev. R. D. Harris, M.A., Rector. Awarded a Prize of Books of the value of Five Pounds for French.

THIRD CLASS.

None.

On the recommendation of the Examiners, the Council's Certificate of Merit has been awarded to the under-mentioned Candidate who failed to obtain the Degree of Associate of Arts :—

WILLIAM TOWERS WATERHOUSE, Age 17, Hobart Town, Pupil of Horton College, Ross, W. W. Fox, Head Master.

The Report of the Examiners, the Examination Papers, and the Regulations for the Examination, are annexed.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

EXAMINERS' REPORT.

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

THE Examiners appointed by you to conduct the Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts have the honor to report as follows :—

The subjects of Examination, the values attached to them severally, and the number of marks qualifying for each class, remained unchanged.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

Six Candidates presented themselves.

The portion of this Examination conducted orally was on the whole satisfactory, the reading aloud was intelligent, and a fair amount of elementary knowledge of History and Geography was exhibited.

In the portion conducted by written answers, the handwriting and the spelling as tested by a passage written from dictation were good, and the answering to questions on English commendable; the knowledge of History fair, that of Geography less satisfactory. In Arithmetic, which cannot be properly tested orally, one Candidate failed from a total inability to work correctly the simplest sums in multiplication and division, and two others very narrowly escaped the same fate; gross carelessness and inaccuracy characterised the answers: the questions were worked in the proper manner, but the answers were full of blunders which ought not to have been made even on a first working, and which a careful revision must have enabled the Candidates to detect for themselves.

DEGREE EXAMINATION.

The five Candidates who passed the Preliminary Examination presented themselves for the Degree Examination.

The Reports of the Examiners in the several subjects presented are as follows :—

I. ENGLISH, INCLUDING HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

Five Candidates : all passed.

For the first time in these Examinations a portion of an English Author was prescribed for study ; viz.—Goldsmith's *Deserted Village*.

It did not appear from the answering of the Candidates that it had occurred to them that an English Author might be got up with the Dictionary like a Latin one; and that such study is indispensable to learning anything about our own language. With this exception the Candidates all displayed fair acquaintance with the books prescribed for study in English.

The period of History selected by the Council had also been fairly prepared; one Candidate, Barclay, obtaining in this three quarters of full marks.

But in Geography, both Physical and Political, there was a marked inferiority to last year. To the lack of knowledge in this it is mainly due that no Candidate appears this year as having passed with credit in English.

II. LATIN.

Four Candidates: all passed, one with credit.

It is gratifying to note that whereas last year three Candidates were rejected on elementary work,—that is for ignorance of grammar and inability to render easy Latin literally into English,—none were this year rejected on this ground. The answering was on the average not quite so good as last year's, but this may be accounted for by the fact that the higher paper was made somewhat more difficult, particularly by the introduction of that which the Council has judged it desirable to have in the Latin Examination, translation into Latin Verse.

One Candidate only shewed any capacity for doing this; and the translation into Latin Prose attempted by two Candidates only was not good. In the translation, however, of Latin not prepared beforehand there was a marked improvement; shewing that the Candidates had obtained some mastery over the language.

The great defect of the work was inaccuracy: the great defect in knowledge, an inability to trace the derivation and the meaning of compound words.

III. GREEK.

Two Candidates. Both passed.

Here as in Latin there is a marked improvement in the lower work. The answers to questions on the prescribed books were fair, deficient rather in quantity than in quality. In Greek as well as in Latin was seen the same apparent inability to trace the derivation, and the formation of words, to connect their meaning with their history.

A passage of Greek which had not been prepared beforehand was given for translation. Neither Candidate, however, attempted it.

IV. FRENCH.

Five Candidates. All passed, two with credit.

All the Candidates displayed a good knowledge of grammar and had carefully prepared the books prescribed. Four attempted the translation into French, but none exhibited much insight into the genius of the language or much facility in using it.

V. PURE MATHEMATICS.

Five Candidates presented themselves for Examination in this subject, of whom three passed. The questions set on this occasion were much easier than those of last year, and four hours instead of three were allowed for each paper, so that every Candidate had ample time to answer all the questions. The questions consisted of propositions taken directly from the prescribed text books, or of simple applications of principles and methods requiring no ingenious artifices for their solution. One Candidate, Barclay, acquitted himself very creditably in this examination, shewing sound knowledge and considerable Mathematical power: as he failed to obtain a First Class for the Degree, mainly from not presenting Greek and Latin among his subjects, the Second Prize only could be awarded to him. As he also obtained a Prize of £5 in Natural Philosophy, the Examiner would have felt justified in recommending him specially for the Council's Gold Medal had it not been that his work was disfigured by systematic inaccuracy wherever arithmetical calculation occurred.

The Examiner does not consider he is stepping beyond his duty in urging upon those engaged in training Candidates the importance of insuring a thorough knowledge of all the elementary portions of Mathematics and *absolute accuracy* in its reproduction. An Examiner who understands his work will never allow a few high questions answered to compensate for ignorance of the earlier work or carelessness in its application. Euclid and Arithmetic are two subjects in which the Candidates might and should make sure of answering correctly every question. The Propositions from Euclid alone exclusive of deductions would if correctly written out have been sufficient to pass a Candidate in Mathematics. With one exception the answering in Euclid was extremely bad.

VI. NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.

Two Candidates only presented themselves both of whom passed. The answering of one was very good and obtained a prize, the other shewed a satisfactory acquaintance with the subject.

VII. GEOLOGY.

One Candidate presented himself, and passed, showing considerable knowledge of the Text Books prescribed. He would doubtless have acquired a practical acquaintance with the subject, had he had the opportunity of studying collections and receiving field instruction.

It is to be regretted that no National Educational Geological collection has yet been formed, for consequently the knowledge of Geology hitherto exhibited by Candidates has been rather to be commended as a display of memory than as exhibiting any useful familiarity with the science.

VIII. DRAWING AND ARCHITECTURE.

One Candidate presented himself, and passed.

The Drawing was on the whole much better than last year's. but the questions given in Architecture though of the most simple elementary character were very imperfectly answered.

Such being the Reports of the Examiners on the several subjects, it remains to speak of the Examination as a whole, and the evidence afforded by it as to the education and training of the Candidates.

The comparison of the four years (omitting the Candidate who was over nineteen years of age when examined last year) is as follows:—

	1860.	1861.	1862.	1863.
Total number of Candidates	12	12	10	6
Rejected at Preliminary.....	3	2	2	1
Admitted to Examination for the Degree of A.A. ..	9	10	8	5
Passed for A.A.....	4	8	4	3
First Class	3	2	0	0
Second Class.....	1	2	1	3
Third Class.....	0	4	3	0

The first point in this comparison which claims attention is the diminution in the number of Candidates. This is not really a ground for discouragement, but rather the reverse; for it is probably only a result of what seems to be a law at the institution of any system like that of this Examination. At first the real difficulties of the Examination are unknown, and as it is but the outset of the system Examiners are perhaps more indulgent. Hence for a year or two Candidates are very ready to come forward, then for a year or two there will be a reaction and a hesitation on the part of Candidates to present themselves, and of their Teachers to send them in till they are fully prepared.

The Class List this year proves that the Candidates were, on the whole, better prepared; for though none of them showed any extraordinary ability, all who have attained the Degree are placed in the Second Class. One half of the Candidates obtain the Degree, a larger proportion than in any year except 1861.

But there are still grave faults to be found with the style of the Candidates' work. It will never be satisfactory till they are trained, which they clearly are not at present, to answer questions on paper. From want of this practice, they constantly miss the scope of a question, state what they do know clumsily or inaccurately, make mistakes which are evidently not due to ignorance, but which yet an Examiner must treat as mistakes. The truth is, that in the oral examining common in Schools a Teacher does not wait to get an answer correctly stated, he is content when a boy's answer satisfies him, often by a mere hint, that the boy has the knowledge required. Paper work only will teach boys to express their knowledge quickly, clearly, pointedly, and completely, as they ought to do if they are to be placed in the First Class of the Associate of Arts.

It is worth noting that the Candidate highest on the list this year presented neither Latin nor Greek.

Not that the Examiners think it at all desirable that lads should be encouraged to neglect Classical studies; on the contrary, they consider them conjointly with Mathematics the best discipline that can be given to boys, apart altogether from the practical use of a knowledge of Latin. In the very case alluded to, the Candidate's ignorance of Latin went much against him in answering the paper on the English language, as of course it must do and ought to do, seeing how large an element of English has been derived from Latin.

But this instance shows that Classics are not indispensable to success.

The three Candidates who have passed for the Degree each take prizes of the Second Class only, as none are placed in the First Class,—Barclay for Pure Mathematics and for Natural Philosophy, Garrett for Latin, and Barrett for French.

One Candidate only fell below the Standard fixed for the Certificate of Merit. Another, Waterhouse, obtains the Certificate, falling very little short of the Standard for the Degree.

The Class Lists, General and Special, are appended to this Report.

The Examiners have to acknowledge the promptness and the courtesy of the Government Printer in the preparation of the Examination Papers.

(Signed) M. H. IRVING, M.A.,
W. P. WILSON, M.A.,
C. GOULD, B.A.,
H. HUNTER,
F. BUCK,

} Examiners.

TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS—SEPTEMBER, 1863.

GENERAL CLASS LIST.

NAME.	MARKS.	AGE.		SCHOOL.	TEACHER.
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FIRST CLASS.

None.

SECOND CLASS.

Barclay, D.	2003	17	Prize of £5 for Pure Mathematics, and Prize of £5 for Natural Philosophy.	High School, Hobart Town.	Rev. R. D. Harris.
Garrett, H. L.	1943	16	Prize of £5 for Latin.	Hutchins School, Hobart Town.	Rev. J. R. Buckland.
Barrett, H. S.	1818	16	Prize of £5 for French.	High School, Hobart Town.	Rev. R. D. Harris.

THIRD CLASS.

None.

Candidate who failed to obtain the Degree of A.A., but is recommended by the Examiners for the COUNCIL'S CERTIFICATE of MERIT.

Waterhouse, W. T.	1364	17	—	Horton College, Ross.	W. W. Fox, Esq.
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For the Examiners,

M. H. IRVING, M.A., *Chairman.*

16th September, 1863.

SPECIAL CLASS LIST.

<i>English.</i>	<i>Latin.</i>	<i>Greek.</i>	<i>French.</i>	<i>Pure Mathematics.</i>	<i>Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics.</i>	<i>Drawing and Architecture.</i>	<i>Geology.</i>
FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.
None	Garrett	None	Barrett Garrett	Barclay.	Barclay	None	None
SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.
Barclay Garrett Barrett	Barrett	Garrett.	Barclay.	Barrett Garrett	Barrett	Barrett	Barclay.

For the Examiners,

M. H. IRVING, M.A., *Chairman.*

16th September, 1863.

TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

EXAMINATION for the Degree of ASSOCIATE of ARTS.—September, 1863.

TABULATED RESULTS.

NAME AND MOTTO.	AGE.	SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	English.	Latin.	Greek.	French.	Pure Mathematics.	Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics.	Drawing and Archi- tecture.	Geology.	TOTAL NO. OF MARKS.	RESULT.	
				Maximum Number of Marks.										
				1000	800	800	500	800	400	400	400	5100		
Barclay, David—"Pax"	17	High School, Hobart Town	Rev. R. D. Har- ris, M.A.	653	—	—	219	542c	314c	—	275	2003	Second Class.	
Garrett, Henry Lewis—"Ars".....	16	Hutchins School, ditto	Rev. J. R. Buck- land, B.A.	511	482c	421	251c	278	—	—	—	1943	Second Class.	
Barrett, Hugh Sunderland—"Nox"	16	High School, ditto	Rev. R. D. Har- ris, M.A.	506	410	—	315c	304	140	143	—	1818	Second Class.	
Waterhouse, William Towers—"Lux"....	17	Horton College, Ross	W. W. Fox, Esq., B.A.	407	336	377	244	n.p.	—	—	—	1364	Certificate of Merit.	

NOTE.—n.p. not passed. c. passed with credit. — subject not attempted by Candidates.

For the Examiners,

M. H. IRVING, M.A., *Chairman.*

16th September, 1863.

APPENDIX VIII.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS, 1864.

*Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town,
5th November, 1863.*

THE Council of Education have directed the publication of the following amended Scheme of Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts for the Year 1864.

The Conditions upon which the Degree is granted, and Honours and Prizes are awarded, are also published for general information.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary to the Council.*

SKETCH of the Examination for the Degree of ASSOCIATE OF ARTS for the Year 1864.

ENGLISH.—The Candidate will be examined in Goldsmith's "Deserted Village," with Questions on the Etymology and Grammatical construction of the Language; in English History, (History of the Georges); and will be required to write a short original Composition, or a Report founded upon some abstract of facts furnished to him. He will also be examined in Physical, Commercial, and Political Geography. Books recommended: Trench's English, Past and Present, (3s. 6d., Parker); Morell's Grammar and Analysis with the Exercises, (3s. 6d., Constable); Cornwell's School Geography, (3s. 6d., Simpkin & Co.); and Hughes's Physical Geography, (3s. 6d., Longman.)

LATIN.—Virgil, *Æneid*, Book V., Horace, Odes, Books II. and III.; and Livy, Book XXII. Questions will also be given on the Language, and the historical and geographical allusions. A passage for translation from some other Latin author; and passages of English for translation into Latin Prose and Verse.

GREEK.—Xenophon's *Anabasis*, Book I.; Homer's *Odyssey*, Book VI.; and Euripides, *Hecuba*. Questions on the Language, and the historical and geographical allusions. A passage for translation from some other Greek author.

FRENCH.—Passages will be given from Molière's *Les Fourberies de Scapin*, and Madame de la Rochejaquelein's *Memoirs of the Vendean War*, for translation into English; with questions on the Language, and the historical and geographical allusions. Also a passage from some other French author for translation into English, and from some English author into French.

GERMAN.—Passages will be given from Schiller's *Revolt of the Netherlands*, or *Wallenstein*, with questions on the Language, and the historical and geographical allusions; also a passage from some other German author for translation into English, and from an English author into German.

ITALIAN.—Candidates in this Section will be examined in Silvio Pellico, with questions on the Language, and the grammatical construction; also a passage from some other Italian author for translation into English, and from an English author into Italian.

PURE MATHEMATICS.—Questions will be set in Euclid, Books I. II. III. IV., Arithmetic, and Algebra. Candidates for Honours will be required to satisfy the Examiners in Euclid, Books VI. and XI., as far as proposition xxi., Plane Trigonometry, the use of Logarithms, and Mensuration.

NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.—The Candidate must be prepared to answer questions set in Newth's first Book of Natural Philosophy.

CHEMISTRY.—The Candidate will be examined in Inorganic Chemistry. Book recommended: Wilson's Chemistry, (3s., Chambers' Educational Course.)

ZOOLOGY AND BOTANY.—Elementary questions will be set on the description and classification of animals, their habits and geographical distribution; and on the mercantile and industrial uses of animal products. Also, the description and classification of plants, their uses, and geographical distribution. Plants, and parts of plants, will be given for description. Text Books: Milne Edwards's Zoology, 7s. 6d., (Renshaw) and Lindley's Elements of Botany, 12s., (Bradbury).

GEOLOGY.—The Candidate will be examined in Page's Introductory Text Books of Geology, 1s. 6d., (Blackwood,) and his Advanced Text Book of Geology, 5s., (Blackwood.)

DRAWING.—Drawing from the Flat, both in Outline and Shaded; from Models, and from Memory. Questions will be given in Perspective. A fair degree of skill in freehand Drawing will be required in order that a Student may pass in this section.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

Previously to the Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts, every Candidate will be required to satisfy the Examiners in—

1. Reading aloud a passage from some English prose author.
2. Writing from dictation.
3. The Analysis and Parsing of a passage from some standard English author.
4. The first four Rules of Arithmetic, Simple and Compound.
5. Geography. Under this head a competent knowledge will be required of the chief ranges of mountains, the principal rivers, the principal towns, and the coast-line of one or more of the countries in the following list:—England, Scotland, Ireland, Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Australasia.
6. The outlines of English History since the Conquest; that is to say, the succession of Sovereigns, the chief events, and some account of the leading men in each reign.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS.

The examination for those Students who have satisfactorily passed the preliminary examination will comprise the subjects mentioned in the following ten sections, in four of which at least, Latin or Pure Mathematics being one, the Candidate must satisfy the Examiners:—

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| 1. English. | 6. The Elementary Principles of Hydrostatics and Mechanics. |
| 2. Latin. | 7. The Elements of Chemistry. |
| 3. Greek. | 8. Zoology and Botany. |
| 4. French, German, or Italian. | 9. Geology. |
| 5. Pure Mathematics. | 10. Drawing. |

PRIZES.

1. The Council's Gold Medal, of the value of Ten Pounds, will be awarded to the Senior Associate, provided he be placed by the Examiners in the First Class of Associate of Arts.

2. Books to the value of Ten Pounds will be awarded as the First Prize in Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, to the Candidate who most distinguishes himself in each of those subjects, provided he be placed by the Examiners in the First Class of the Associates of Arts.

3. Books to the value of Five Pounds will be awarded as the Second Prize for each of the above-named Subjects, at the discretion of the Examiners.

4. Prizes of the value of £5 each will, at the discretion of the Examiners, be awarded to the Candidates who most distinguish themselves in Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, provided their names appear in the Class List of those recommended for the Degree.

5. In the event of any Candidate being specially recommended by the Examiners as displaying a *very* high order of proficiency in English, Greek, Latin, or Mathematics, the Council will be prepared to award their Gold Medal to such Candidate.

APPENDIX IX.

EXAMINATION FOR TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS, 1863.

*Tasmanian Council of Education, Hobart Town,
8th March, 1862.*

THE Council of Education have directed the publication of the following Scheme of Examination for the Tasmanian Scholarships for the Year 1863.

The Regulations in regard to these Scholarships, together with a List of Subjects and Books which have been adopted by the Council of Education, are subjoined for general information.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

SCHEME of the Examination for the TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS for the Year 1863.

I.—CLASSICS.

GREEK.—Thucydides, Book I.; Herodotus, Book IV.; Homer's Iliad, Book IV.; Æschylus, Prometheus Vincetus.

LATIN.—Virgil, Æneid, Books II. and III.; Horace, Odes; Livy, Book XXI. and XXII; Cicero, Pro Lege Maniliâ.

Papers will be set for translation from English into Greek and Latin Prose, and from English Verse into Greek and Latin Verse.

ANCIENT HISTORY.—Questions will be given upon the historical and geographical allusions contained in the above-named Greek and Latin Books, and in the philology of the Greek and Latin languages. Candidates will also be examined in Smith's History of Greece and Liddell's History of Rome.

II.—MATHEMATICS.

Arithmetic; Algebra, except Theory of Equations; Euclid, Books I. to VI. inclusive, and XI. to the 21st Proposition inclusive; Plane Trigonometry, including Logarithms; Conic Sections, treated both geometrically and analytically; and Simple Differentiations.

III.—NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.

Elementary Statics, Dynamics, and Hydrostatics, as treated in Goodwin's Course of Mathematics.

IV.—MODERN HISTORY.

History of Europe during the seventeenth century.

V.—MODERN LANGUAGES.

The grammatical structure of the English Language, and French or German. Candidates may submit themselves for examination in either French or German, at their option.

FRENCH.—Passages will be given from Madame de la Rochejaquelein's Memoirs of the Vendean War and Molière Les Fourberies de Scapin for translation into English, with questions on the parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions; also a passage from some other French author for translation into English, and from some English author into French.

GERMAN.—Passages will be given from Schiller's Revolt of the Netherlands, or Wallenstein, with questions on the parsing, and the historical and geographical allusions; also a passage from some other German author for translation into English, and from an English author into German.

NOTE.—The following values have been affixed to the several subjects of examination:—

1. Classics	-	-	-	-	1500 Marks.
2. Mathematics and Natural Philosophy	-	-	-	-	1500 "
3. Modern History	-	-	-	-	250 "
4. Modern Languages—					
(a.) English	-	-	-	250 }	500 "
(b.) French or German	-	-	-	250 }	
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	3750 Marks.

It shall be essential to success that a Candidate gain at least 1650 Marks; of which either 900 shall have been gained in Classics or 750 in Mathematics.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED.

- History of England, Smith, W., Student's Hume, Murray, 7s. 6d.
 ———, Gleig, G. R., School History, 6s., Parker.
 ——— Greece, Smith, W., 7s. 6d., Murray.
 ——— Rome, Liddell, H. G., 7s. 6d., Murray.
 Arithmetic, Colenso, J. W., 4s. 6d., Longman.
 Algebra, Colenso, J. W., Parts I. and II., p. 1, 4s. 6d., ditto, p. 2, 6s., Longman.
 ———, Wood, J., edited by Lund, 15th Ed., 12s. 6d., Longman.
 Trigonometry, Hall, T. G., 7s. 6d., Fellowes.
 ———, Hymers, J., 8s. 6d., Wkittaker.
 Conic Sections, Analytical, Treatise on Conic Sections, Todhunter, J., 10s. 6d., Macmillan.
 ———, Geometrical, Goodwin, H., Course of Mathematics, 15s., Deighton, Bell, and Co.
 Differential Calculus, Todhunter, J., 10s. 6d., Macmillan.
 Elementary Statics, Dynamics, and Hydrostatics, (Goodwin's Course of Mathematics), see above.
 Madame de la Rochejaquelein's Memoirs of the Vendean War, 2 vols., Dentu's Edition. Paris, 1861.

REGULATIONS FOR THE TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.

Every Candidate for a Scholarship must, by the provisions of the Act, be above the age of sixteen and under the age of twenty years. He must also have been resident in the Colony for the period of five years next before the time of his examination, and have taken the Degree of Associate of Arts.

By the 14th Section of the Act, the Examination for Tasmanian Scholarships must comprise the following subjects:—

1. Classics—Translations from Greek and Latin authors into English, Greek and Latin Composition, Ancient History, Philology.
2. Mathematics—Arithmetic, Algebra, Euclid, Plane Trigonometry.
3. Natural Philosophy—Elementary Statics, Dynamics, and Hydrostatics.
4. Modern History—The History of England.
5. The grammatical structure of the English Language, and French or German, at the option of the Candidate.

Every Scholar shall forward to the Secretary of the Council a certificate from the proper authority, testifying to his having become a Member of some University of the United Kingdom; and until such certificate be received by the Secretary to the Council, or by their accredited Agent in Great Britain, the Council will not authorise the payment of the annual value of the Scholarship: provided always, that this condition shall not apply in any case where it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Council that the Scholar has been prevented by sickness or other sufficient cause from entering himself on the books of an University.

The Council will order to be paid by the Secretary, or an accredited Agent in Great Britain, quarterly, to the said Scholar, the amount of his Scholarship for the quarter, upon the receipt by their Secretary, or by such accredited agent, of a testimonial from the authorities of the College or University to which he may belong, stating that he is conducting himself diligently and steadily.

In the event of any Tasmanian Scholar not being able to produce such a testimonial for any three months, he shall forfeit the amount to which he would be otherwise entitled for the said three months; and should he fail to do so for twelve months, his Scholarship shall be declared vacant, and he shall have no claim for moneys accruing therefrom: provided always, that this rule shall not apply to Scholars when they have been incapacitated by illness from attending to their College or University duties.

For the further encouragement of Tasmanian Scholars to prosecute their studies diligently in the University to which they belong, the Council of Education will cause to be published in the *Government Gazette* the names of such as may have obtained Prizes, Scholarships, or Exhibitions, or whose names may have appeared in the "Honour List," together with the description or class of Honour which may have been awarded to them.

APPENDIX X.

TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.—SEPTEMBER, 1863.

Tasmanian Council of Education, 21st September, 1863.

THE Council of Education have directed the publication of the name of the under-mentioned Candidate who has passed the Examination for a Tasmanian Scholarship to the satisfaction of the Examiners, and to whom such Scholarship has been awarded accordingly, under the terms of *The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act*, 22 Victoria, No. 21 :—

WILLIAM KNIGHT, age 18, formerly of the Hutchins School, Hobart Town, Rev. J. R. Buckland, Head Master, now a private pupil of the Rev. R. D. Harris, M.A., and the Rev. A. Davenport, B.A.

The Report of the Examiners, the Examination Papers, and the Regulations for the Examination are annexed.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.

21st September, 1863.

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

THE Examiners appointed to conduct the Examination for the Tasmanian Scholarships have the honor to report as follows :—

One Candidate, William Knight, presented himself for the Examination.

The Examination extended over four days, occupying seven hours of each day.

Five Papers of two hours each were set in Classics, four of three hours each in Mathematics, and one of two hours in English, in French, and in Modern History.

The following is the result :—

	<i>Full Marks.</i>	<i>Candidate's Marks.</i>
Classics.....	1500	905
Mathematics.....	1500	778
English.....	250	97
French.....	250	225
Modern History.....	250	66
	<u>3750</u>	<u>2071</u>

The Candidate has thus obtained more than the total number of marks, 1650, fixed by the Council as essential to success : of which more than 900 have been obtained in Classics, and more than 750 in Mathematics.

The Reports of the Examiners in the several subjects are appended.

M. H. IRVING, M.A.,
W. P. WILSON, M.A.,
FREDERICK BUCK, } *Examiners.*

TABLE OF MARKS.

	<i>No. of Marks attained by Can- didate.</i>	<i>Full Marks.</i>
I. CLASSICS.		
(a.) Greek Composition	100	200
(b.) Latin Composition	120	200
(c.) Greek Authors	257	350
(d.) Latin Authors	202	350
(e.) General Paper	226	400
	<u>905</u>	<u>1500</u>
II. MATHEMATICS.		
(a.) Arithmetic and Algebra	267	375
(b.) Geometry and Trigonometry	205	340
(c.) Analytical Trigonometry, Analytical Geometry, and Differential Calculus	238	385
(d.) Natural Philosophy	68	400
	<u>778</u>	<u>1500</u>
III. The English Language.....	97	250
The French Language.....	225	250
Modern History.....	66	250
	<u>388</u>	<u>750</u>
<i>Total Marks attained.....</i>	<u>2071</u>	<u>3750</u>

APPENDIX XI.

PRIZE FOR LATIN VERSE COMPOSITION.

Tasmanian Council of Education, 6th December, 1862.

THE Council of Education propose to award a Prize, of the value of £5, for Latin Verse Composition.

2. Competitors for such Prize must be under the age of eighteen years, and must have been resident in the Colony for the period of three years next before the time of the Examination.

3. The Prize will be awarded for the best translation (if considered worthy) into Latin Elegiacs of Tickell's ballad of "Lucy and Colin."

4. A Copy of the ballad will be furnished to intending competitors on application to the Secretary to the Council.

5. The Composition must be forwarded to the Secretary to the Council on or before the 31st August, 1863, with a motto only; and the name of the Candidate is to be forwarded at the same time in a separate sealed envelope, with the motto outside.

6. The successful Candidate will be required to make a declaration upon honor that he has received no assistance in the composition of his Verse.

7. The Prize will be awarded at the next General Annual Meeting of the Council.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX XII.

PRIZE FOR LATIN VERSE COMPOSITION.

EXAMINERS' REPORT.

Hobart Town, 10th September, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE, in accordance with the request of the Council of Education, examined the Latin Verse composition with the motto of "Nil Desperandum" attached.

I have the honor to report that, of the 72 lines contained in the Ballad to be translated, 26 only are translated. Whether the Council will give its Prize for a part instead of the whole must be decided by the Council.

On the part done I have to report that the Exercise as a whole is very creditable, the versification smooth, and the difficulties of translation well met, the errors few and unimportant.

Subject to the reservation made above as to quantity, I should have no hesitation in recommending the Council to award the Prize.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) M. H. IRVING.

The Secretary Council of Education.

I HAVE read the Exercise and fully concur in this Report.

(Signed) W. P. WILSON.

APPENDIX XIII.

PRIZE FOR LATIN VERSE COMPOSITION.

Tasmanian Council of Education, 15th February, 1864.

THE Council of Education propose to award a Prize, of the value of £5, for Latin Verse Composition.

2. Competitors for such Prize must be under twenty years of age, and have been resident in the Colony for the period of three years next before the time of the Examination.

3. The Prize will be awarded for the best translation (if considered worthy) into Latin Elegiacs of the first nine quatrains of Gray's "Elegy."

4. The Composition must be forwarded to the Secretary to the Council on or before the 31st August, 1864, with a motto only; and the name of the Candidate is to be forwarded at the same time in a separate sealed envelope, with the motto outside.

5. The successful Candidate will be required to make a declaration upon honor that he has received no assistance in the composition of his Verse.

6. The Prize will be awarded at the next General Annual Meeting of the Council.

By Order of the Council,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary.*