

And whereas a Declaration was concluded on the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, between the Government of Her Majesty and the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, for amending Article I of the above-mentioned Treaty, which Declaration is in the terms following:—

“THE Government of Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India, and the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, being desirous to provide for the more effectual repression of crimes and offences in their respective territories, have agreed as follows:—

“ARTICLE I.

The words “except as regards Great Britain, native-born or naturalized subjects of Her Britannic Majesty, and except as regards Belgium, those who are by birth, or who may have become, citizens of Belgium,” which occur in Article I of the Extradition Treaty of the 20th May, 1876, are suppressed.

ARTICLE II.

The following paragraph is added to Article I of the said Treaty:—

“In no case, nor on any consideration whatever, shall the High Contracting Parties be bound to surrender their own subjects, whether by birth or naturalization.”

ARTICLE III.

The present Declaration shall come into force ten days after its publication in the manner prescribed by law in the respective countries.

In witness whereof the undersigned have signed the same, and have affixed thereto the seal of their arms.

Done at London, the 21st day of April, 1887.

(L.S.) SALISBURY.

(L.S.) SOLVYNS.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, and in virtue of the authority committed to Her by the said recited Acts, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, the said Acts shall apply in the case of the said Declaration of the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, with the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as in the case of the said recited Treaty of the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and of the aforesaid Declaration of the twenty-third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven:

Provided always, and it is hereby ordered, that the operation of the said Acts shall be suspended within the Dominion of Canada so far as relates to the Kingdom of Belgium and to the said Declaration of the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, and so long as the provisions of the Canadian Acts aforesaid continue in force, and no longer.

C. L. PEEL.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 302.

The following Circular Despatch, accompanying copies of revised regulations governing the examination and entry of Naval Cadets, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 1st June, 1887.

SIR,—With reference to Lord KIMBERLEY's Circular Despatch of the 18th of April, 1882, I have the honour to transmit to you, for information in the Colony under your Government, copies of revised regulations governing the examination and entry of Naval Cadets.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

H. T. HOLLAND.

The Officer Administering the Government of
HONGKONG.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING NAVAL CADETS.

For the information of Candidates.

1. Appointments to Naval Cadetships will be made by limited competition, with the under-mentioned exceptions:—

Four Cadetships given annually to sons of gentlemen in the Colonies, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Service Cadetships, the total number of which is not to exceed five in any one year. Service Cadets will be selected by the Board of Admiralty from (a) sons of officers of the Army, Navy or Marines who have been killed in action, or who have been lost at sea on active service, or killed on duty, or who have died of wounds received in action or injuries received on duty within six months from the date of such action or injury, (b) sons of officers of the Navy who have performed long or distinguished service, and who hold or have held rank or relative rank on the Active List not lower than that of Commander. Not more than two such latter Service Cadets will be nominated annually.

Applications for Service Cadetships should be addressed to the Military Secretary, Horse Guards, if the candidate is the son of an officer of the Army; to the Secretary of the Admiralty, if the candidate is the son of an officer of the Navy or Marines, and to the Military Secretary, India Office, if the candidate is the son of an officer of the Indian Army.

Colonial and Service Cadets will be entered on passing the test examination as specified in paragraphs 9 and 10, and will in all other respects be subject to these Regulations.

The educational examination of all candidates will be conducted by the Civil Service Commissioners (address Cannon Row, Westminster) who will deal with all questions connected with such examination and will announce the results. A fee of ten shillings will be required from each candidate.

2. Except in special circumstances, not more than one-third of the number of candidates actually presenting themselves before the Civil Service Commissioners will be entered.

3. The nomination of candidates for Naval Cadetships will be made by the First Lord, by individual members of the Board, and by the Secretaries to the Board of Admiralty.

A Flag Officer or a Commodore 1st Class appointed to the chief command of a station, or to a separate command, and a Captain, on first appointment as such to the command of a ship, will be allowed to nominate one candidate, provided the privilege is exercised within six months of appointment.

No Captain will be entitled to nominate more than one candidate during the time he holds the rank of Captain, but a Flag Officer or a Commodore 1st Class may claim the privilege each time he is appointed to a command as above.

In the event of a candidate's nomination being cancelled before he has commenced the examination, the Officer who nominated him will be allowed to select another candidate for the same or following examination.

4. The nominations will be made half-yearly, as soon as convenient after the Report of the last examination has been received from the Civil Service Commissioners.

5. The examinations will be held in London and at Portsmouth, and will commence on the second Wednesday in June and the last Wednesday in November in each year, and the appointments will date from the 15th July and 15th January following respectively.

6. No candidate will be eligible for examination whose age will not be within the following limits on the 15th January following the November examination, and on the 15th July following the June examination viz., for the examinations in November 1887 to June 1888, not less than $12\frac{1}{2}$ nor more than 14 years of age, and at subsequent examinations not less than 13 nor more than $14\frac{1}{2}$ years of age.

7. Every candidate must be in good health, and free from any physical defect of body, impediment of speech defect of sight or hearing, and also from any predisposition to constitutional or hereditary disease or weakness of any kind, and in all respects well developed and active in proportion to his age. Before being examined by the Civil Service Commissioners he will be required to pass the medical examination according to the prescribed regulations, and must have been found physically fit for the Navy; rejection at such examination will finally exclude him from the Navy.

8. The candidate will be required to produce (1) a certificate of the date of his birth; * or a declaration thereof made before a magistrate; (2) a certificate of good conduct from the masters of the school or schools at which he may have been educated during the two previous years, or, if educated at home, from his tutor or the clergyman of the parish in which he resides; and (3) proofs of good health.

9. Candidates will be tested by examination in the following subjects:—

	Marks.
i. Arithmetic: including proportion, vulgar and decimal fractions.....	250
ii. Algebra: including fractions, simple equations and problems, and quadratic equations of one unknown quantity	200
iii. Geometry: Euclid, Book 1., with exercises and questions	200

* A Certificate of Baptism will not be accepted.

	Marks.
iv. English: handwriting, dictation, reading with intelligence, and composition.....	150
v. French: translating French into English, and English into French; grammatical questions, speaking, and dictation	250
(No dictionary will be allowed, but the equivalents of the less usual words in either language will be given.)	
vi. Scripture	100

Candidates will be required to obtain half marks in arithmetic, and 40 per cent. in each of the other subjects.

Candidates will be further examined in,—

vii. Mathematics: harder questions in arithmetic, algebra, and geometry, as above defined	300
viii. Latin: translation, grammar, and prose composition	300
(No dictionary will be allowed, but the equivalents for the less usual words will be given.)	
ix. Geography: including the subjects treated of in Grove's Primer, and an elementary knowledge of the principal places in the British Isles and dependencies	150
x. English history: a short selected period. (A text book to be named)	150
xi. Drawing, freehand and simple rectangular model.....	100

The final order of merit will be determined by the sum of the marks obtained in the test and in the further examination.

10. Colonial and Service Cadets will be appointed on passing the test examination; they must, however, obtain 660 marks in the aggregate, as well as the proportion of marks in arithmetic and other subjects required from the candidates who compete.

11. A candidate who passes the test examination, but does not succeed in the competition, will be entitled to compete at the next examination, provided he is within the limits of age at that time. No candidate will be allowed to compete more than twice. A candidate who fails to pass the test will not be entitled to another trial, but he will be allowed to compete at the next examination if he receives a fresh nomination and is still within the limits of age.

12. A candidate who, owing to illness, fails to appear at the examination for which he has obtained his nomination may receive a second nomination, provided he is still within the limits of age.

13. For all Cadets entered under these regulations, the payment will be at the rate of 70% per annum for the period in the Britannia, to be paid half-yearly in advance to the Accountant-General of the Navy. But the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty reserve the power of selecting, from among the Cadets entered at each half-yearly examination, a number, not to exceed 10, being sons of officers of the Navy, Army, or Marines, or of Civil Officers under the Board of Admiralty, with respect to whom the annual payment will be 40% only. In this selection their Lordships will have regard solely to the pecuniary circumstances of the Cadet.

14. The period of training on board the Britannia will be four terms; there will be two terms in each year. The first term of each year will be from February to July, the second from September to December.

The vacations will be five weeks at Christmas, two weeks at Easter, and six weeks at Mid-summer.

15. There will be examinations in Seamanship and Study at the end of each term.

Cadets who pass unsatisfactory examinations, or who are reported for unsatisfactory conduct, will be "warned," and they will be liable to be discharged at the end of the following or any subsequent term, should they again be reported as failing to attain the proper number of marks at the examinations, or for unsatisfactory conduct.

If a Cadet is reported for unsatisfactory conduct during his final term he will be discharged without being allowed to present himself at the examination for passing out of the Britannia.

Any Cadet who shall at any time appear to their Lordships to be unfit for the Naval Service, for any reason whatever, will be removed from the Britannia, and it must be understood that this rule will apply to those who are considered unfit from insufficient physical development or weakness of constitution, although no actual organic disease may have been developed.

16. It is to be distinctly understood that the period of training on board the Britannia is a time of probation, and the parent or guardian of every Cadet will be required to sign a declaration (on the admission of the Cadet to the Britannia), to the effect that he shall be immediately withdrawn on the receipt of an official intimation of his being considered unfit for the Navy.

17. Cadets will, on passing out of the Britannia, rank according to the amount of sea time they obtain at their final examination, and those who obtain equal amounts of sea time will rank in the order of merit in which they pass out of the Britannia.

18. The parent or guardian of every Cadet will be required to provide outfit under the regulations in force.

19. No pay or pocket money will be allowed by Government to Cadets in the Britannia.

By Command of their Lordships,

EVAN MACGREGOR.

ADMIRALTY, May 1887.