

SENIOR EXAMINATION—*continued.*

| Order. | Name. | Residence. | Where Educated. | Compulsory. | | | Optional. | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total. |
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| | | | | English | Arithmetic. | Geography. | Latin. | Greek. | French. | German. | Italian. | Maori. | Trigonometry. | Algebra. | Geometry. | Science. | History. | Book-keeping. | Shorthand. | |
| 7 | Bailey, James Every Stephen | Nelson .. | Edward VI. Grammar School, St. Albans, 2 years; Nelson College, 4 years | 250 3rd | 230 3rd | 285 3rd | 367 2nd | — | 210 3rd | — | — | — | — | N.P. | 310 2nd | — | 360 2nd | — | — | 2012 |
| 8 | Rutherford, George | Havelock, Marlborough | Spring Grove Public School, 3 years; Fox-hill School, 4 years; Nelson College, 2 years | 220 3rd | 435 2nd | 305 2nd | 262 3rd | — | — | — | — | — | — | N.P. | 360 2nd | — | 255 3rd | — | — | 1837 |

NOTE.—1st, 2nd, 3rd=passed in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd class of merit. N.P.=not passed. — =did not take up the subject.

SUMMARY.

Junior Examination.—202 examined; 103 passed, 99 failed; 33 failed in English, 40 failed in arithmetic, 57 failed in history, 57 failed in geography.

Senior Examination.—58 examined, 25 passed, 33 failed; 58 examined and 21 failed in English, 58 examined and 12 failed in arithmetic, 58 examined and 8 failed in geography, 40 examined and 8 failed in Latin, 1 examined and 1 failed in Greek, 40 examined and 14 failed in French, 6 examined and 2 failed in German, none examined in Italian, none examined in Maori, 17 examined and 6 failed in trigonometry, 57 examined and 17 failed in algebra, 51 examined and 1 failed in geometry, 7 examined and 3 failed in physical science, 45 examined and 13 failed in history, 2 examined and 1 failed in book-keeping, none examined in shorthand.

NUMBER OF CANDIDATES EXAMINED.

Auckland, 27; Thames, 6; New Plymouth, 7; Tauranga, 4; Gisborne, 5; Napier, 8; Wanganui, 30; Wellington, 79; Blenheim, 8; Nelson, 33; Greymouth, 1; Hokitika, 6; Christchurch, 11; Oamaru, 2; Dunedin, 17; Invercargill, 5.

Since the establishment of the Board the number of candidates examined has been,—

| Year. | Examined. | Passed. | Year. | Examined. | Passed. |
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| 1869 | 12 | 6 | 1878 | 199 | 96 |
| 1870 | 16 | 10 | 1879 | 211 | 107 |
| 1871 | 11 | 5 | 1880 | 222 | 80 |
| 1872 | 39 | 18 | 1881 | 155 | 41 |
| 1873 | 57 | 38 | 1882 | 179 | 72 |
| 1874 | 56 | 47 | 1883 | 213 | 106 |
| 1875 | 65 | 50 | 1884 (half-year) | 98 | 50 |
| 1876 | 103 | 57 | | | |
| 1877 | 164 | 75 | | 1,800 | 858 |

CIVIL SERVICE LITERARY PRIZE.

Three essays were received during the year 1883 in response to the offer of two prizes, of £10 and £5 respectively, for the two best essays on “Pauperism, and the Duty of the State in regard thereto in the Colonies;” but, none of them appearing to the examiners to be deserving of either prize, no prize was awarded.

The Board resolved that for the present year a prize of £25 shall be given for the best essay on “Land Laws, and their Effect, socially and economically, upon the Condition of the People,” under the following conditions:—

1. Competition to be open to all persons under the age of thirty years at this date who have passed either the Junior or Senior Civil Service Examination, and who are in the Service at the time of competition.

2. The prize to be in books or money, at the option of the prize-taker.

3. Essays to be legibly written, and on one side of the paper only.

4. Essays to be delivered to the Secretary of the Civil Service Examination Board, Wellington, by the 31st December, 1884.

5. No competitor to allow his name to appear on his essay, but to adopt a motto or cypher, which is also to be written on a sealed envelope containing the author's name, and attached to the essay.

6. The prize will not be awarded unless there is an essay which, in the judgment of the examiners, is of sufficient merit to entitle the author to receive it.

7. Competitors are advised to keep copies of their essays, as those sent to the Board will not be returned.