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New Zealand, No. 259.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 28th July, 1911.

In continuation of my despatch, No. 228, of the 14th instant, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, a copy of a letter from the War Office, together with copies of two syllabuses which have been issued by the Army Council—(1) a syllabus of the Army entrance examination, which will be held half-yearly after the 31st March, 1912; and (2) a revised syllabus of the examination in military subjects of the university candidates and of officers of the local Military Forces of His Majesty's colonies and dominions for commissions in the Regular Army, which will come into force at the examination to be held in October, 1912.

I have, &amp;c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., &amp;c.

## Enclosures.

SIR,—

War Office, London S.W., 20th July, 1911.

In continuation of War Office letter, No. 100 General No. 1558, dated the 3rd May, 1911, I am commanded by the Army Council to forward herewith 250 copies each of—(1) the syllabus of the Army entrance examination, which will be held half-yearly after the 31st March, 1912 (see paragraphs 6 and 7 of the memorandum marked A which accompanied the above-quoted War Office letter); (2) a revised syllabus of the examination in military subjects of university candidates and of officers of colonial Military Forces for commissions in the Regular Army, which will come into force at the examination to be held in October, 1912.

2. I am to say that these syllabuses will be included on the revised regulations which are now being prepared.

3. In the meantime I am to request that the Secretary of State for the Colonies will be so good as to cause copies to be distributed to the Governors of dominions and colonies, &c., for their information and that of intending candidates.

4. I am to add that the local sections of the Imperial General Staff in self-governing dominions, and general officers commanding in other colonies, will in due course be communicated with direct as to the routine arrangements for carrying out the examination of candidates under the revised syllabuses.

I am, &amp;c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, Whitehall, S.W.

E. W. D. WARD.

## SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR THE ARMY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

*English.* (Marks, 2,000.)

**DICTATION.** Essay: Three alternative subjects to be given for an essay or letter, of which candidates may choose one. *Précis.* Reproduction of a passage read out. General paper (to test general knowledge and intelligence).

*English History and Geography.* (Marks, 2,000.)

**History.**—The history of England, 1558 to the end of the reign of Queen Victoria. (Special attention should be paid to the growth of the British Empire. Questions will be set which will give the candidate an opportunity of showing his knowledge of European history as affecting English history during this period. Such questions will deal only with the broad outlines of the subject, and knowledge of detail will not be expected. Some choice of questions will be allowed.)

**Geography.**—The main physical features of the world, with special reference to the British Empire. General political geography of the world, with special reference to British possessions and Egypt, and the foreign frontier territories adjacent to them.

*French.* (Marks, 2,000.)

1. Translation from French. 2. Translation into French. 3. An essay or letter on one of two or more alternative subjects. 4. Colloquial—(1) Examiners to converse, candidate to interpret in English; (2) Candidate to talk in French.

*German.* (Marks, 2,000.)

As for French.

*Latin.* (Marks, 2,000.)

Translation and prose composition.

*Greek.* (Marks, 2,000.)

As for Latin.