

of words, phrases, and sentences, and to the order and arrangement of the subject-matter. To write a telegram or a letter on a given subject. To reproduce in the candidate's own words the substance of a narrative or description that has been read over to the candidate.

(2.) Geography: To understand maps and plans generally, and to calculate distances therefrom. To draw a simple plan of a room, building, or a given locality. A knowledge of the chief physical features of England, Australia, and New Zealand, and of their leading seaports and other important towns. To know the various sea routes between these countries, as also their chief natural products, industries, exports, and imports. To be able to point out or mark on a map of New Zealand the steamer and coach routes and railway-lines.

(3.) Arithmetic: Simple and compound rules, both in money and weights and measures, as applied to the simple problems of everyday life. Easy problems in vulgar and decimal fractions, in simple and compound proportion, in simple and compound interest, and in time and distance—*e.g.*, to find the speed in miles per hour from the time taken to cover a given distance.

(4.) Questions on general Police and Detective duties.

(5.) Police Force Act, and regulations made thereunder, and circulars and general orders issued from time to time for the guidance of members of the Force.

(6.) Questions upon the elementary principles of the law of evidence.

(7.) Police Offences Act and amendments.

(8.) Crimes Act and amendments.

(9.) Gaming Act and amendments.

(10.) Licensing Act and amendments.

433. Sergeants who are candidates for promotion to the rank of Senior Sergeant must pass a qualifying examination in the following subjects:—

(1.) Law of evidence; the Evidence Act, 1908; and simple questions from Stephen's "Digest of the Law of Evidence."

(2.) Police Force Act and Regulations for the time being in force, in detail.

(3.) Practical Police and Detective duties.

(4.) Police Offences Act and amendments, Gaming Act and amendments, Licensing Act and amendments, Industrial Schools Act and amendments, and Crimes Act and amendments.

(5.) Keeping of records, station books, and rules relating to general correspondence.

434. Senior Sergeants who are candidates for promotion to the rank of Sub-Inspector will require to pass a written examination in the following subjects:—

(1.) English: To reproduce the substance of a narrative or description that has been read to the candidate. To write an essay on some fairly well-known subject-matter. Easy *précis*-writing; the writing of an official letter containing the chief facts included in the *précis*. A knowledge of elementary commercial correspondence.

(2.) Arithmetic: Fundamental rules. Vulgar and decimal fractions applied to practical questions of everyday life; proportion and easy percentages similarly treated; simple and compound interest. Areas of common plane figures. Volumes and weights of common solids. Easy practical problems of time and distance. A cash account; statement of receipts and expenditure. Approximate value in English weights and measures of common metric weights and measures—*viz.*, 1 centimeter = 0.4 in. (nearly);

1 decimeter = 4 in. (nearly); 1 meter = 40 in. (nearly); 1 kilometer = 50 chains (nearly); 1 liter = 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  pints (nearly); 1 kilogram = 2.2 lb. (nearly).

(3.) Geography: Maps and plans, and ability to calculate areas and distances therefrom, and to draw simple locality and route plans. To mark on a blank map of New Zealand the chief mountain-ranges, rivers, lakes, steamer and coach routes, railway-lines, seaports and other important towns in New Zealand, and to know the leading products and industries of each district. Similar knowledge in somewhat less detail of the Australian States and the Pacific, and in a general way of Great Britain and Ireland and the rest of the British Empire.

(4.) Law of evidence: The questions set will be more difficult than those set for candidates for promotion from the rank of Sergeant to that of Senior Sergeant.

(5.) The Police Force Act and Police Regulations, in detail.

(6.) Treasury Regulations.

(7.) Police Offences Act, 1908, and amendments.

(8.) Gaming Act, 1908, and amendments.

(9.) Licensing Act, 1908, and amendments.

(10.) Industrial Schools Act, 1908, and amendments.

(11.) Crimes Act, 1908, and amendments.

(12.) Questions on practical Police and Detective duties.

(13.) The keeping of an Imprest Account, preparation of contingent vouchers, salary abstracts, &c., and furnishing district accounts, estimates, and requisitions.

(14.) Questions on the proper keeping of records, district and station books, and rules relating to general correspondence.

435. A candidate who fails to obtain one-third of the marks allotted to any of the subjects, or whose total marks in all the subjects are less than one-half of the maximum number of marks for such subjects, shall be disqualified at such examination.

436. No Constable, Sergeant, or Senior Sergeant who has failed three times to pass the examination qualifying for promotion to a higher rank shall be allowed to compete again.

437. No Constable shall be promoted to the rank of Sergeant till he has been medically examined by a Police Surgeon and certified as physically fit to perform the duties of a Sergeant in charge of Constables on day and night duties in one of the four large cities of New Zealand.

438. No Constable shall be promoted to the rank of Sergeant who has attained the age of fifty years.

#### Requisitions.

439. Officers in charge of districts shall forward to the Commissioner quarterly requisitions for supplies of stationery, forms, and books required from the Government Printer.

440. Country stations shall be supplied from the district headquarters as becomes necessary.

441. Requisitions for saddlery, blankets, appointments, &c., shall also be forwarded quarterly if required.

442. Requisitions for authority to purchase stores, &c., may be forwarded to the Commissioner when the supplies are required.

443. Articles such as brooms, brushes, cleaning-kits, &c., should be purchased at district headquarters by the dozen, and supplied to out-stations as necessity arises. This will not only save a considerable number of vouchers for small amounts, but better value will be obtained.