

TEMPORARY STAFF.

36. The temporary staff of compositors shall comprise all those not included in the permanent staff, and may be employed either on piece or time work.

37. Temporary hands of less than two months' service will be under engagement by the day, terminable without notice on either side; all others shall be subject to one week's notice on either side.

38. Semi-permanent hands who have not been off the staff for more than two months during the preceding year shall be entitled to all gazetted Government holidays occurring while in employment. Temporary hands shall be so entitled after two months' consecutive employment immediately preceding such holiday.

39. The rates of remuneration for temporary employees shall in no case be lower than the current rate paid in Wellington City for a similar class of work.

APPLICATIONS OF EMPLOYEES, HOW TO BE MADE.

40. The application of any employee for promotion, leave of absence, increase of salary, or in respect to any other matter affecting his position in the Office shall be made to the Government Printer by the applicant himself, through the Superintendent or the head of his branch; and if it is made by or through any other person it will be treated as irregular.

Boys.

41. Boys, other than apprentices, will be employed at the rate of 10s. per week for the first six months. Thereafter increases will be given at the rate of 2s. 6d. per week at intervals of six months until the rate paid assistants in the several branches is reached, when the schedule rates will be paid.

APPRENTICES.

42. Applicants for employment as apprentices must not be under fourteen or over sixteen years of age, and must be of sound bodily health and of good character, and shall have passed an examination equal to that of the Fifth Standard under the Education Act.

43. All male apprentices shall be indentured for a period of not less than six years, and the rates of wages shall be the rates ruling in Wellington City.

44. Apprentices will be placed in the branches for which they seem best adapted. Those selected for the composing branch must be at least one year in the reading-room prior to being transferred to the composing-room; but in no case shall more than one year passed in the reading-room be reckoned as part of the period of apprenticeship.

45. Apprentices in all branches who have served their full term satisfactorily shall be entitled to one year's employment as journeymen.

FEMALE EMPLOYEES.

46. Candidates for employment must not be under fourteen years of age, and must be of sound bodily health and of good character.

47. Females will be taken for the first six months on probation, at 8s. per week. Should they prove capable and industrious, they will then receive the following rates of wages as casual hands:—

	£	s.	d.	
Second six months	0	10	0	per week.
Second year	0	13	0	„
Third year	0	17	0	„
Fourth year	1	0	0	„
Fifth year	1	2	6	„
Sixth year	1	5	0	„
Seventh year	1	7	6	„
Eighth year	1	10	0	„
Ninth year	1	12	6	„
Tenth year	1	15	0	„
Eleventh year	1	17	6	„
Twelfth year	2	0	0	„

Overtime per hour: First year, 6d.; second to fifth years, 9d.; after fifth year, time and a half.