

said Act, for a proportion of five Senior Scholarships to every nine Junior Scholarships for all the education districts taken together.

#### AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS IN 1927.

6A. (i) The Scholarships awarded as a result of the examinations held in the year 1927 shall be as nearly as possible the same in number as were awarded on the examinations of 1926.

(ii) The number of Junior Scholarships awarded to candidates who are over thirteen years of age on the 1st December, 1927, and the number awarded to candidates who are not over thirteen years of age on that day, shall have approximately the same ratio as the numbers of candidates from these two age-groups: Provided that for the purposes of computation all candidates who are under the age of twelve shall be excluded.

(iii) The number of Senior Scholarships awarded to candidates who are over fifteen years of age on the 1st December, 1927, and the number awarded to candidates who are not over fifteen years of age on that day, shall have likewise approximately the same ratio as the numbers of candidates from these two age-groups: Provided that for the purposes of computation all candidates who are under the age of fourteen shall be excluded.

#### AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS, AND CONDITIONS OF TENURE.

7. As soon as may be after the qualifying examination the Department shall forward to each Education Board the results of the examinations for the candidates from its district. The Board shall thereupon, at as early a date as circumstances permit, being in no case later than the last day of February following, but only after satisfying itself that all the necessary conditions in each case have been complied with, proceed to award scholarships to all those candidates within its district who are found on the results of the examination to be entitled thereto, and shall notify successful candidates accordingly.

8. Before awarding any scholarship, the Board shall require a candidate to produce a certificate of birth, or a certificate of the date of birth, or, where this cannot be obtained, other sufficient evidence of age—*e.g.*, a duly attested certificate of baptism, a duly attested entry of the date of birth in some family record, or a declaration of the date of birth made by the parent or guardian before a Justice of the Peace.

9. The Principal of the school at which a scholarship-holder is required to attend, pursuant to section 103 of the said Act, shall report to the Board towards the close of each term, or oftener if required, on the form provided, as to the scholarship-holder's course of instruction, and his diligence, progress, conduct, and regularity of attendance. Should the report on a scholarship-holder be unsatisfactory the scholarship may, with the consent of the Director of Education, be forthwith terminated, or it may be suspended or otherwise dealt with as he may direct. If the report is in all respects satisfactory the Board shall pay to the scholarship-holder the amount of the allowances due for the term, provided that the allowance for the first term of each year may be paid at the Board's discretion at any time after the scholar has been enrolled.

10. Should a scholarship-holder, owing to serious illness or accident not due to the holder's culpable carelessness, negligence, or misconduct, be incapacitated from fulfilling for the time being the conditions of his scholarship, the scholarship, subject to the provisions of section 105 of the said Act, may, at the discretion of the Director of Education, be held in abeyance for any period not exceeding one year.

11. If during the currency of a scholarship the parents or guardians of the holder remove to another education district within New Zealand, the scholarship shall be tenable at an approved school in such other education district in all respects as if it had been originally awarded within that district, and the sums payable to the holder shall be adjusted accordingly.

12. Unless under exceptional circumstances, and with the express consent of the Director of Education previously obtained, no person who has been the holder of a Junior or Senior National Scholarship can again become a candidate for a scholarship of the same class.

13. The tenure of a scholarship shall commence on the 1st day of January following the qualifying examination.

#### EXAMINATION FOR JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIPS.

14. Examination-papers for Junior National Scholarships shall be set in (1) English, (2) Arithmetic, (3) Geography, (4) Elementary