

certificate signed by the local examiner of the St. Andrew's Ambulance Association, to the effect that the candidate has passed the examination for a certificate of proficiency, may be accepted as showing that the candidate possesses the required knowledge of first aid.

SIGHT TESTS.

(NOTE.—Detailed information concerning the prescribed sight tests, the conduct of the examination, and the standards required is contained in Appendix G, page 3000.)

37. 1. Any holder of a certificate of competency being a candidate for examination for a certificate of a higher or of a different grade shall not be examined in the lantern test.

2. **Letter Test.**—Every candidate for a certificate must pass the letter test. If he obtained a certificate of competency before the 1st January, 1914, he will only be required to possess half normal vision using both eyes together; otherwise he must pass a higher standard—viz., normal vision using both eyes or either eye separately.

Any candidate who has obtained his first certificate under these conditions may obtain his higher certificates provided that he has normal vision using both eyes or either eye separately.

A candidate who fails to pass the letter test may present himself for re-examination at intervals of three months.

3. **Lantern Test.**—Every candidate must undergo the lantern test on every occasion on which he presents himself for examination for his first certificate of competency; but if he then passes he will not be required by the Marine Department to undergo the lantern test on any subsequent occasion.

A candidate who fails to pass the lantern test shall not be re-examined within the Dominion without authority of the Principal Examiner.

4. **Special Examination : Referred Cases.**—In some cases it may be necessary for the Examiner, on the instructions of the Principal Examiner, to refer a candidate for special examination at another port before a decision is given as to his passing or failure in the sight tests. No additional fee will be charged for the special examination in such a case, and the Marine Department will repay, at a rate which will be notified to him, the travelling-expenses of any such candidate in attending the special examination. A candidate who has been so referred for special examination shall not be re-examined by the same Examiner.

5. **Special Examination : Appeal Cases.**—A candidate who fails to pass the local lantern test may appeal for a special examination at Wellington on payment of a fee of two guineas, which will be returned to him in the event of his passing the special examination. The Marine Department will not make any payment whatever towards the expenses of a candidate who, upon his own application, is examined by the Special Examiners, unless the candidate passes the special examination or unless, in the event of failure, the Marine Department considers that the particular circumstances of the case justify such payment.

6. When a candidate fails to pass the local lantern test the Examiner will point out to him the conditions under which he may appeal. Appeals must be made through the Examiner, and forwarded to the Principal Examiner with the Examiner's remarks.

7. **Special Examination, Time and Place of.**—Candidates who are referred, and candidates who on appeal from the result of the local tests are granted a special examination, will be notified by the Principal Examiner of the time and place at which they should attend for the special examination; and they shall inform the Principal Examiner whether or not they will be able to attend at that time. Any candidate who, after informing the Principal Examiner that he will attend, fails to appear at the time and place appointed will be liable to have his examination postponed indefinitely; also, if an appeal candidate, will forfeit the appeal fee of two guineas, and will be required to deposit a further fee of the same amount before further arrangements can be made for his special examination.

8. **Failure in Special Examination.**—Where, during the course of a special examination, a candidate is found to have a permanent defect in his eye-sight such as to render him unfit for a sea career he will be finally rejected, and will not be allowed to be examined