

Special Books in Languages and Literature for the Teachers' Class C Certificate Examinations of August, 1927, 1928, and 1929.

Education Department,
Wellington, 4th February, 1927.

IN pursuance of regulations under the Education Act, 1914, notice is hereby given that at the Teachers' Class C Certificate Examinations of August, 1927, 1928, and 1929, respectively, the special books of which a knowledge will be required will be as follows:—

(a.) August, 1927.

ENGLISH.—Shakespeare, "Romeo and Juliet," "Hamlet"; Macaulay, "Essay on Milton"; Milton, "Samson Agonistes," "L'Allegro," "Il Penseroso," "Lycidas." In addition, a special knowledge of the period of literature 1625 to 1688 will be required. Special attention must be paid to Milton, Dryden, Herrick, Butler, Taylor, Bunyan, and Browne, but the other authors of the period are not to be neglected. The literary movements and their leaders, the current types and forms of literature, and their representatives, as well as the influence of the ancient classics and of the leading Continental literatures on the English literature of the period must also be examined. Candidates must have some acquaintance with the general outlines of English literature, including a knowledge and appreciation of the thought and style of standard English authors from Shakespeare to Tennyson.

LATIN.—Cæsar, "De Bello Gallico VII"; Horace, "Epistles I."

FRENCH.—A. France, "Le Crime de Sylvestre Bonnard"; Voltaire, "Zaire"; Moliere, "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme."

(b.) August, 1928.

ENGLISH.—Shakespeare, "Henry IV" (Parts I and II), "Henry V"; Pope, "Essay on Criticism"; Swift, "Battle of the Books"; Steele and Addison, "The Spectator." The Club papers as follows: 1, 2, 12, 34, 105, 106, 108, 110, 112, 115, 117, 122, 123, 125, 126, 130, 131, 269, 295, 329, 335, 383, 517, 530, 549, 550. The Vision of Mirza, 159. In addition, a special knowledge of the period of literature 1688 to 1744 will be required. Special attention must be paid to Defoe, Steele, Addison, Swift, Pope, and Thomson, but the other authors of the period must not be neglected. The literary movements and their leaders, the current types and forms of literature, and their representatives, as well as the influence of the ancient classics and of the leading Continental literatures on the English literature of the period must also be examined. Candidates must have some acquaintance with the general outlines of English literature, including a knowledge and appreciation of the thought and style of standard English authors from Shakespeare to Tennyson.

LATIN.—Livy XXIV; Horace, "Odes III, IV."

FRENCH.—Balzac, "Les Chouans"; Hugo, "Hernani"; Moliere, "Les Femmes Savantes."

(c.) August, 1929.

ENGLISH.—Shakespeare, "Merchant of Venice"; "Julius Cæsar"; Gray, "Poems"; Goldsmith, "Deserted Village"; Johnson, "Life of Swift"; Gibbon, "Autobiography." In addition, a special knowledge of the period of literature 1744 to 1798 will be required. Special attention must be paid to Johnson, Burke, Gibbon, Goldsmith, Collins, Gray, Crabbe, Burns, and Cowper, but the other authors of the period must not be neglected. The literary movements and their leaders, the current types and forms of literature, and their representatives, as well as the influence of the ancient classics and of the leading Continental literatures on the English literature of the period must also be examined. Candidates must have some acquaintance with the general outlines of English literature, including a knowledge and appreciation of the thought and style of standard English authors from Shakespeare to Tennyson.

LATIN.—Sallust, "Catiline"; Tibullus (Postgate).

FRENCH.—Rostand, "Cyrano de Bergerac"; Racine, "Andromaque"; Balzac, "Eugenie Grandet."

T. B. STRONG,
For Director of Education.

Customs Tariff Commission, 1926-27.

Customs Department,
Wellington, 10th February, 1927.

WITH reference to a notification which appeared in the *New Zealand Gazette* on 3rd February, 1927, it is hereby notified for public information that the Customs Tariff Commission will commence its sittings at Christchurch at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, 17th February, 1927, in the Ministerial room in the Government Buildings, Cathedral Square.

GEO. CRAIG, Chairman.

Dismissal from the Forces.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 4th February, 1927.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has approved of the dismissal of the undermentioned soldier of the Territorial Force from the New Zealand Defence Forces, under section 6 (b), Defence Act, 1909, he having been convicted by the Civil power. Dated 27th January, 1927.

10A/685. Alexander McCuish, Southern Depot, New Zealand Corps of Signals.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

The Census and Statistics Act, 1926.—Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics.

Census and Statistics Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 1927.

THE following estimated average yields per acre of wheat and oats for the season 1926-27 have been compiled from reports furnished by Stock Inspectors of the Department of Agriculture throughout the Dominion, and are now published for general information.

District.	Wheat.		Oats.	
	Bushels per Acre.	Bushels per Acre.	Bushels per Acre.	Bushels per Acre.
North Island	32.40		38.91	
Nelson	28.91		33.00	
Marlborough	29.56		29.73	
Canterbury	33.85		43.76	
Otago	34.08		42.89	
Southland	36.71		45.83	
Average (estimated) for the Dominion, season 1926-27	33.92		43.86	
Average (actual) for the Dominion, season 1925-26	30.44		40.14	

In accordance with the above estimates, the total yield of wheat for the Dominion should be approximately 7,500,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 4,617,041 bushels for the season 1925-26.

The percentage of oats threshed for the five seasons ending with 1925-26 was 27.40 of the total area under that crop. Assuming that a similar proportion is threshed this year, the total yield of grain should be approximately 4,900,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 4,115,606 bushels for the season 1925-26.

MALCOLM FRASER,
Government Statistician.

Officiating Ministers for 1927.—Notice No. 4.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 1927.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

The Church of the Province of New Zealand, commonly called the Church of England.

The Reverend Leland John Blashford Snell.

The Roman Catholic Church.

The Reverend Theodore Wanders.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The Reverend Bernard Raymond Hames.

The Church of Christ.

Mr. Francis Albert Daws.

Mr. George Howard Earle.

W. W. COOK, Registrar-General.

Result of an Extraordinary Election under the Government Railways Act, 1926.—Railway Boards of Appeal.

New Zealand Government Railways,
Head Office, Wellington, 7th February, 1927.

THE following is the result of an extraordinary election of an elective member to represent the Second Division (Locomotive Running Branch) members on the Railway Board of Appeal for the South Island:—

Pullar, William	433
Robb, William Gilchrist	152
Informal	7

I hereby declare William Pullar duly elected to act as a member of the South Island Railway Appeal Board.

B. A. MARRIS, Returning Officer.