

“(h) No person who was a candidate at the Annual Proficiency Examination shall be re-examined earlier than the beginning of the second last school week of the following term unless he is about to leave the Dominion. Persons so re-examined shall not be subsequently re-examined till the next Annual Proficiency Examination if of school age, or till the lapse of three months if being over school age they wish to leave school.

“(i) Certificates of Attainment in Form II shall not be issued to successful candidates earlier than the Monday of the week preceding that prescribed by the Department for the closing of the schools for the midsummer vacation unless these pupils are about to leave the Dominion.

“(j) No person on a school roll and qualified to be a candidate who does not present himself at the Annual Proficiency Examination shall be examined earlier than the beginning of the second last week of the following term unless he is about to leave the Dominion or has been prevented by sickness or other unavoidable cause from sitting for the examination.

“(9) In addition to the Annual Proficiency Examination mentioned in subclause (8) of this clause, an Inspector may hold special examinations of candidates, whether of school age or not, for Certificates of Attainment at any place and time that may seem fit to him, and may require candidates for such special examinations to give fourteen days' notice of their wish to be examined, and to furnish reasonable evidence that they have fulfilled the requirements of the standard of education prescribed by the Syllabus of Instruction for the certificate for which they are candidates:

“Provided that—

“(i) If the candidate has already sat for the Annual Proficiency Examination the provisions of subclause (8) (h) of this clause shall apply:

“(ii) If any candidate not referred to in proviso (i) hereof is over school age he may be examined only if he has left school, or is about to leave school:

“(iii) If any candidate not referred to in proviso (i) hereof is still within the age limits of compulsory attendance he may be examined only if he intends to leave the Dominion.

“(10) A candidate at any special examination mentioned in subclause (9) of this clause shall not be re-examined within three months of the date of that examination, and then only at the discretion of the Senior Inspector.

“(11) Certificates of Attainment may be issued immediately to successful candidates in the examinations mentioned in subclause (9) of this clause.

“(12) For examinations for Certificates of Attainment there shall be paid to the Inspector a fee of five shillings, which shall be paid by the Inspector into the Public Account: Provided that no fee shall be payable in the following cases:—

“(i) By any candidate examined during the Annual Proficiency Examination:

“(ii) By any candidate who is still on the roll of a public or private registered primary or post-primary school where-soever and whensoever examined.

“(13) For Certificates of Attainment other than those of Form II issued without examination to any person who has left school, there shall be paid to the Inspector a fee of two shillings and sixpence, which shall be paid by the Inspector into the Public Account. If the certificate is issued by the Secretary of an Education Board the fee shall be paid to the Education Board.

“(14) All Certificates of School Attainment shall be issued under the authority of the Director of Education.

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