

going to say that Isabella stoops I know you were you men are such observers well so she does it can't be denied and certainly if there is one thing more than another that makes a girl look ugly it is stooping I often tell her that when she gets a little older she'll be quite frightful well you are a quiz.

5. Point out and correct anything you see wrong in the following passages :—
 - (a.) Not a person has since been admitted, try as hard as they might.
 - (b.) He had met nobody, or if he had, they had not accosted him.
 - (c.) It was one of those things that all depends upon its being taken in time.
 - (d.) Did I tell you who we came across?
 - (e.) Yes, but John isn't me.
 - (f.) Our manager knows as much, if not more, than we do.
 - (g.) I dare say it isn't either of our faults.
 - (h.) Cork boots made and other deformities of the feet rectified.
 - (i.) He objects to pay even a portion of the amount, much less the whole.

6. Re-write the following, so as to avoid the faults of style :—

But the Earl of Mountrose, after he had continued his journey two or three days in that equipage, which he knew could be no secret, and that it would draw the enemy's troops together for the guard of all passes to meet with him, was found missing one morning by his company; who, after some stay and inquiry, returned back to Oxford, whilst that noble person, with incredible address and fatigue, had not only quitted his company and his servants, but his horse also, and found a safe passage, for the most part, on foot, through all the enemy's quarters, till he came to the very borders: from whence, by the assistance of friends whom he trusted, he found himself secure in the Highlands, where he lay quiet, without undertaking any action, until the Marquis of Antrim, by the countenance and assistance of the Marquis of Ormond, did make good so much of his undertaking, that he sent over Alexander Macdonnell, a stout and an active officer, (whom they called by an Irish appellation Calkito,) with a regiment of fifteen hundred soldiers; who landed in the Highlands in Scotland, at or near the place that had been agreed on, and where the Earl of Mountrose was ready to receive them; which he did with great joy; and quickly published his commission of being general for the King over all that kingdom.

7. Write an essay on one of the following subjects :—

- (a.) The love of nature.
- (b.) Summer.
- (c.) The study of history.

8. As a test of spelling, write from the dictation of the Supervisor.

Spelling (Part of a Paper on English Grammar and Composition) for Class D.

The Supervisor will read over slowly and then dictate the following words :—

Halcyon, hypnotic, abattoir, disappointment, idyllic, habergeon, changeableness, prophylactic, manœuvre, pneumatic, bureaucracy, impugn, hieroglyphics, euphonious, hygiene, periphrasis, proselytism, vaticination, euphuism, hyperbole, neophyte, connoisseur, harassed, genuflexion, cynicism.

English Grammar and Composition.—For Class E, and for Junior Civil Service. Time allowed : 3 hours.

1. What foreign elements are there in English? Give a few words from each language you mention.
2. Classify substantives, and explain and exemplify the classification you adopt.
3. Mention, with examples, the different ways in which English substantives form their plurals. Give instances (1) of double plurals, (2) of plurals used as singulars, (3) of plurals in appearance, (4) of substantives used only in the plural, and (5) of plurals of compound substantives.
4. Give a list of English defective and anomalous verbs, and write notes on the history of some of the forms.

5. Illustrate the following statement: "Many verbs are used, with a difference of meaning, sometimes as transitive verbs, sometimes as intransitive verbs."

6. Give the *general* analysis of the following passage, and parse in *full* the words in italics :—

"A *little onward* lend thy guiding hand
To these dark steps, a little further on;
For *yonder* bank hath choice of sun or shade.
There I am *wont* to sit, when any chance
Relieves me from my task of servile toil,
Daily in the common prison *else* enjoined me,
Where I, a *prisoner chained*, *scarce* freely draw
The air, imprisoned also, close and damp,
Unwholesome *draught*."

7. Re-write the following sentences in correct English :—

- (1.) Being a copyist of nature, his pictures always seem to be true.
- (2.) He is not one of those who interferes in matters which do not concern him.
- (3.) Shakespeare is greater than any dramatist.
- (4.) Loud above all other noises rose the piercing shrieks of a female.
- (5.) Mrs. Jones, presently a residenter in Christchurch, shall take in boarders during the present session, who she hopes to make mutual friends.