

having obtained the highest marks in their respective classes. In the Spring of the year there were in Queen's College over 700 boys receiving instruction on Hygiene, but this number dwindled through boys leaving school, until there remained for the Annual Examination 606, of whom 336 or 64 per cent. passed. The result is better exhibited in tabular form:—

Class	I.	45	boys	examined,	37	or	82%	passed,	I. A.	94%
	II.	75	"	"	59	"	79	"	II. A.	92%
	III.	127	"	"	93	"	73	"	III. A.	91%
	IV.	170	"	"	100	"	58	"	IV. A.	79%
	V.	189	"	"	97	"	54	"	V. A.	70%

It is thus evident that all the English Masters, who alone teach this subject, have entered with spirit into the teaching of Hygiene, and I may add that in the College examination the boys themselves exhibited in their answers an amount of interest that quite surprised me. Since a first year's work can produce such satisfactory results, we are justified in supposing that in another three years after a progressive course of education in this subject in the Third and Second Classes, the boys in the First Class may really acquire Advanced knowledge in Hygiene.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 156.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant WILLIAM ARTHUR CRAKE to be a Captain in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, with effect from the 16th instant.

21st February, 1906.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 157.—The Opium Farmer has, under the provisions of Section 12 D of the Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891, as amended by Ordinance No. 10 of 1904, established his premises at Nos. 36 and 38 Bonham Strand West as a bonded warehouse for the use of dealers in compounds of opium imported for exportation from the Colony and not for sale or use therein.

Until further notice no fee or other charge will be payable in respect of the storage of such compounds of opium in the said premises.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Colonial Secretary.

20th February, 1906.