3. Divide \$82.60 among 27 men and 37 boys so that each man may have three times as much as each boy. [17]

4. Find the interest on \$387.56 from March 18th to November 19th, at 6 per cent. per annum. [17]

5. A bushel of potatoes weighs 60 lbs. If a grocer buys a ton of potatoes for \$15, and sells them at 15 cents a peck, how much per cent. will he gain? [17]

6. A barn 80 ft. long and 60 ft. wide is built on a plot of ground 308 ft. long and 204 ft. wide. The rest of the plot is covered with cordwood to a depth of 8 ft. How many cords of wood are there? [17]

7. The interest on \$870 for 4 yrs. 6 mos. is \$274.05; how much will \$1000 amount to in 3 months at the same rate? [17]

8. A lot 11 rods long and 9 rods wide has a ferce built round it. Outside the lot at a distance of 2 ft. from the fence a sidewalk 4 ft. wide is built; how many square yards of ground does the sidewalk cover? [17]

WRITING.

1. Write the following stanza once :

"Clear and cool, clear and cool, By laughing shallow and dreaming pool; Under the crag where the ouzel sings, And the ivied wall where the church-bell rings." [12]

2. Write the following three times:---December 19th, 1888; xc, qu, sch, phth, D, I, Q, Z.

DICTATION.

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NOTE.—The presiding examiner shall read the passage three times—the first time to enable the candidate to collect the sense; the second, slowly, to enable the candidate to write the words; and the third for review.

Columbus made signal for the ships to cast anchor, and the boats to be manned and armed. He entered his own boat, richly dressed in scarlet, and holding the royal standard. As he approached the shore, he was delighted with the purity of the atmosphere, the crystal transparency of the sea, and the extraordinary beauty of the vegetation. On landing he threw himself on his knees, kissed the carth, and returned thanks to God with tears of joy. His example was followed by the rest, whose hearts indee overflowed with the same feelings of gratitude. Columbus, then rising, drew his sword, displayed the royal standard, and took solemn posses ion of the island in the name of the Spanish sovereigns, giving it the name of San Salvador,

COMPOSITION.

NOTE.—Only six questions are to be attempted, viz.: the first two and any four of the rest. A maximum of five marks may be allowed for neatness.

I. Write a letter to a friend, inviting him to spend the holidays with you and mentioning the kinds of entertainment you intend for him. [20]

2. Express in your own words the substance of one of the following lessons: "The Hercine of Vercheres," "King Richard and the Nubian." [20]

3. Arrange the words in each of the following, in as many ways as you can, without affecting the sense :--

- (a) "But knowledge to their eyes her ample page, Rich with the spoils of time, did ne'er unroll." [5]
- (b) "Beside the bed where parting life was laid, And sorrow, guilt and pain, by turns dismayed, The reverend champion stood." [5]

(c) "Immediately over their heads hung a woody precipice, without path or track upon its rocky face." [5]

4. Rearrange the following so as to express the sense intended :--

(a) "The beaux of that day used the abominable art of painting their faces, as well as the belles." [5]

(b) "Passengers are requested to purchase tickets before entering the cars, at the company's office." [5]

(z) "For sale.—A fine stone cottage, suitable for a small family, by a gentleman about going to California, with five acres of ground and a young orchard attached." [5]