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### MATHEMATICS (II.)

FRIDAY, 19th JUNE.—MORNING, 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

*Eight* questions may be answered and the marks will be awarded on the first *eight* answers left uncanceled.

Mathematical Tables may be obtained from the Superintendent.

1. A point  $P$  moves inside or outside a given circle so that the rectangle contained by the chord-segments of all lines passing through  $P$  and the circle is constant: find the locus of  $P$ .

2. Divide a straight line so that the square on one segment may be three times the square on the other.

3. Define 'regular polygon' and 'similar polygons.' Prove that regular polygons are cyclic.

4. Given a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , show:—

(i) how to describe on a given line as base a triangle equal in area to  $ABCD$ .

(ii) how to draw through  $A$  a straight line which will trisect the quadrilateral.

5. Given the length of two adjacent sides, construct a parallelogram—

(i) so that its area may be a maximum.

(ii) such that one diagonal may be double the other.

Give proofs.

6. Show that lines drawn parallel to one side of a triangle divide the other sides in equal ratios.

$ABC$  is a triangle and  $P$  a point in  $AB$ : through  $P$  draw a line cutting  $BC$  in  $X$  and  $AC$  produced in  $Y$ , such that  $PX = \frac{1}{3} PY$ .

7. Show that a bisector, internal or external, of an angle of a triangle divides the opposite side into segments which are proportional to the adjacent sides.

Hence show how to cut off from a given line a part equal to  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the whole line.

8. With the usual notation prove that for a triangle  $ABC$  :

$$\tan \frac{1}{2} (A - B) = \frac{a - b}{a + b} \cot \frac{1}{2} C.$$

In a triangle,  $b = 19.4$ ,  $c = 27.2$ , and  $A = 79^\circ$ ; find  $a$ ,  $B$ , and the length of the longest perpendicular.

9. In order to determine the height of a mountain, a horizontal base-line of 2,750 feet was measured. At each extremity of the base-line was taken the angle subtended by the line joining the summit to the other extremity: these angles were  $58^\circ 28'$  and  $111^\circ 53'$ , and at the extremity from which the latter angle was taken the angular height of the mountain was  $11^\circ 19'$ . Calculate the height of the mountain.

10. A rectangle  $ABCD$  has  $AB$  greater than  $BC$ . Give a geometrical construction for drawing the figure which would result from folding the rectangle, so that  $B$  coincides with a given point  $E$  on  $CD$ .

If  $AB = 18$  inches,  $BC = 13$  inches, and the crease makes an angle of  $27^\circ$  with  $AB$  in its original direction: find the length of the crease.