

Register December 16 1889.

ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY.

SENIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS, 1889.

The results of the senior public examinations were posted in the hall of the University on Saturday, December 14. Out of 83 candidates who went up for examination 58 passed.

The number of subjects in which the candidates were examined was 11, viz:—1, English; 2, Latin; 3, Greek; 4, French; 5, German; 7, pure mathematics; 8, applied mathematics; 9, chemistry; 10, physics; 11, botany and physiology; 12, physical geography and geology. An asterisk (*) denotes that the candidate passed with credit. All classes are in alphabetical order:—

First Class.—F. A. Ayers, 1*, 2*, 3, 7, 8, 9*, S.P.S.C.; C. B. Blackburn, 1*, 2*, 3, 7*, 8, 9*, do.; J. W. Brown, 1*, 2*, 3*, 5, 7*, 8, 9*, do.; R. A. Campbell, 1*, 2*, 3*, 7*, 8, 9*, do.; E. B. Cross, 1, 4, 5, 7, 11*, 12*, Advanced School; V. M. Plummer, 1*, 4*, 5*, 7, 11*, 12, do.; T. S. Poole, 1*, 2*, 3*, 5, 7, 8, 9*, S.P.S.C.; E. R. Williams, 1*, 4*, 5, 7, 11*, 12, Advanced School; I. M. Wilson, 1*, 4, 5, 7, 11*, 12*, do.

Second Class.—E. D. Beck, 1, 2, 7*, 8, 9, S.P.S.C.; F. E. Bell, 1*, 4*, 5, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; T. W. A. Blackburn, 1*, 2*, 3, 8, 9, S.P.S.C.; J. A. Bonnin, 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11*, Glenelg Grammar School; A. J. Bosch, 1, 4, 5, 7, 11*, 12, Advanced School; F. P. Boundey, 1*, 2, 3, 7*, 10, P.A.C.; W. H. Butler, 1, 2, 3, 7*, 10, do.; W. H. Gillman, 1*, 2, 3, 7*, 9, S.P.S.C.; S. A. Hannam, 1*, 4, 11*, 12, Unley Park School; L. M. Hardy, 1, 4, 11*, 12, do.; L. H. Heuzenroeder, 1, 4, 5*, 11, 12, Advanced School; E. A. Mitton, 1, 2, 3, 7*, 10, P.A.C.; E. H. Newman, 1*, 2*, 3, 7, do.; L. H. Nichol*, 1, 2, 3, 7*, do.; A. Trüdinger, 1*, 2, 4, 5*, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; A. A. Zowe, 1*, 4, 5*, 7, 11, 12, do.

Third Class.—F. T. Adams, 1*, 3, 7, 10, P.A.C.; E. L. Aldersey, 1*, 4, 12, Miss Aldersey's School; R. H. Allen, 1, 2, 7, S.P.S.C.; W. M. Anderson, 1, 2, 7, P.A.C.; E. T. Bailey, 1*, 2, 7, 12, private tuition; E. E. Birks, 1, 4, 12, Miss Vivian's School; F. L. Blackwell, 1, 4, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; J. P. Boucaut, 1*, 2*, 7, P.A.C.; C. P. Caterer, 1, 2, 7, 8, Glenelg Grammar School; E. Chapple, 1, 4, 11, 12, Advanced School; E. C. Fisher, 1, 4, 10, 12, private tuition; E. M. Hamer, 1*, 4, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; G. Mel. Hunter, 1, 2, 10, P.A.C.; T. H. Jones, 1, 5, 10*, private tuition; F. B. Joyner, 1, 2, 7, North Adelaide High School; F. J. Jude, 1, 2, 7, P.A.C.; F. T. Kennedy, 1, 2, 7, Christian Brothers' College; W. F. Klog, 1, 2, 7, 10, P.A.C.; A. M. Lambert, 1, 4, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; W. H. C. Lovely, 1, 2, 8, S.P.S.C.; G. McEwin, 1, 2, 7, 12, Whinham College; A. J. McLachlan, 1*, 2, 12, Mr. Maudsley's tuition; P. L. McNamara, 1*, 2, 7*, Christian Brothers' College; O. A. Newman, 1*, 4, 11, Hardwicke College; C. R. Penny, 1*, 2, 3, 7, 10, P.A.C.; F. M. Pike, 1*, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School; A. A. Pitt, 1*, 4, 11, Hardwicke College; E. M. Richardson, 1*, 4, 7, 10, 12, Dryburgh House School; E. J. Salom, 1, 2, 7, S.P.S.C.; F. Sewell, 1*, 2, 5, 7, do.; M. M. Trevenen, 1*, 4, 7, 11, 12, Advanced School.

The following candidate passed in special subjects only:—

H. A. Parsons, 5, 8, 9, 10, P.A.C.

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ADELAIDE: MONDAY, DEC. 16, 1889.

THE UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

The pass-lists for the November and December University examinations are now complete, and it is interesting to note the results so far as they can be tabulated. For the various examinations no less than 553 candidates entered, and it is in one sense disappointing to find how the numbers dwindle down as the higher grades are reached. Of course it is understood that a good many who pass the earlier ordeals do not intend to proceed further with University work; but we had hoped that by this time it would be found possible for a larger number of students to avail themselves fully of the privileges which the University offers. Nor is this the only disappointing feature of the examinations. If we exclude the courses for the professional degrees the number of undergraduates who have gone up for examination is comparatively small. The number who presented themselves in the first

or any subsequent year's course for degrees was ninety-seven. There were two candidates for the M.A. degree, and both passed with honours. There were eight candidates for the B.A. Examinations. Of these two were for the first year, and both passed with honours; four for the second year, and two passed, both with honours; two for the final examination, of whom one passed, and with honours. The roll of the graduates in Arts is therefore increased by two who have passed the M.A. degree, and one who has passed for the B.A. degree. In a new country it must of necessity be the case that the education of youths and young men is regarded chiefly as the means of enabling them to earn a living; but we had hoped that there would be a larger number who would be able to take the Arts degree even though they might not afterwards require to use it for professional purposes. Of those who have graduated in Arts we believe the majority have afterwards taken to professional pursuits, so that excepting in the stimulus afforded by the earlier examinations the University has thus far not done much to promote culture as distinguished from direct preparation for professional duties. For the B.Sc. Examinations eighteen entered. Of the eight in the first year's course five passed; of the six in the second year five passed; and of the four in the third year two passed. One third of the number failed, and as the result of this year's examination two candidates are entitled to be admitted to the B.Sc. degree.

Turning to the professional degrees the entries for the LL.B. Examinations were the more numerous, and so were the failures. Indeed, the record suggests the need for searching enquiry. There were thirty candidates; eleven for the first year, five for the second, and fourteen for the third year. There was not a single first-class pass. For the first year's examination two passed in the second and two in the third class. For the second year only one passed, and in the second class; for the third year two passed, both in the third class. Nine candidates not studying for the degree obtained certificates in one or other of the subjects. One is forced to the conclusion that the Law papers must be unusually stiff, or that the aspirants for the degree must be an exceptionally dull or lazy lot of young men, or that the classwork makes too heavy a demand upon the time of those who have also other duties to perform as articled clerks. The LL.B. degree will not mean much if the bulk of the candidates only succeed in passing third class. For the Medical Examinations there were twenty-eight entries. Of the five who entered for the first year one passed third class and three second class. For the second year out of ten candidates only one passed, but he obtained a first class. In the third year all the five candidates were successful, two obtaining a first-class, two a second, and one a third-class pass. In the fourth year there were three candidates, one of whom obtained a first-class and one a second-class pass. For the final examination there were five candidates, of whom two passed first class and two second. As the Medical Examinations are very severe these results are encouraging, and reflect great credit upon the students. For the musical degree eleven undergraduates attended classes during the year. Eight