

who passed would be more advanced students of music than any who are likely to present themselves next year. Yet it is almost incredible that so large a proportion should have satisfied the examiner without the exercise of indulgence on his part. Virtually the effect of the result is that those who have only taken the second grade will place little or no value on their certificates, and those who have not passed will feel their failure keenly. It would be better to abolish the second division entirely than to make it the means of allowing a pass to those who have not come up to the full standard. At the same time it is very satisfactory to notice from the results that the study of music is by no means neglected in the schools and colleges of the colony.

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THE UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

The examiners have published the names of the successful competitors in the preliminary examinations. There were 302 competitors, and 201 of them passed. The examiners do not in this examination indicate the respective merits of the competitors. The following is the list:—

Prince Alfred College.—C. F. Adams, A. S. Adamson, W. S. Ashton, A. Basedow, R. Birks, J. P. Boucaut, W. H. Boucaut, S. B. Castine, A. Chapple, H. A. Cook, A. B. Cowling, M. S. Cox, A. Crompton, C. S. Dowie, J. H. Downer, W. W. C. Driffield, J. E. F. Dungey, H. B. Fletcher, D. Fowler, R. B. Fraser, J. G. Goldsack, C. H. Green, P. Hague, A. E. Hamilton, H. A. Hamilton, R. H. Harris, A. L. Haslam, H. E. Hill, A. Hill, H. Homburg, A. E. Jackson, P. E. Johnstone, A. B. Jones, E. J. Jude, G. A. W. Kemp, F. H. King, W. A. W. Lang, E. C. Lawrie, R. Lillywhite, G. Loader, T. W. Lyons, V. C. Marlow, F. J. Millar, F. J. G. Miller, J. L. Molony, T. J. Molony, E. H. Newman, L. H. Nicholls, H. A. Parsons, C. R. Penny, A. E. Puddy, A. F. Salter, L. S. Sanders, J. A. R. Smith, R. M. Spencer, H. S. Taylor, H. B. Tippett, F. M. Wigg, and L. C. Wilson.

St. Peter's Collegiate School.—R. H. Allen, F. G. Ayers, E. D. Beck, C. B. Blackburn, T. W. G. Blackburn, J. W. Brown, A. J. Campbell, A. E. Clark, S. Connor, C. Corbin, H. B. Corbin, F. W. Daenke, F. J. Douglas, J. F. Downer, W. H. Gillman, L. F. Hayward, H. L. H. Hipwell, J. Holbrook, R. W. Hornabrook, H. O. Irwin, R. H. Kelsey, H. Lander, C. B. Marryat, J. L. Murray, J. B. Pitcher, S. B. Rees, E. W. Rosman, A. E. J. Russell, E. J. Salom, G. F. Scriven, A. J. Smith, W. Steele, A. H. Tomkinson.

Advanced School for Girls.—F. E. Bell, E. J. Benham, A. J. Eosch, E. M. Bowen, E. Chapple, E. M. Claxton, L. A. Craikshank, E. M. L. Davis, E. Dobbs, E. C. G. Eimer, E. M. F. Field, N. Fisk, E. M. Hamer, I. O. H. Heyne, S. Howchin, O. A. Kemp, M. A. Kugelman, A. M. Lambert, M. Lawrance, L. Maley, K. E. Martin, L. Parsons, F. M. Pike, V. M. Plummer, M. A. Sabiston, E. R. Saunders, E. A. Solomon, M. M. Trevennen, A. Trudinger, C. M. Valentine, E. L. B. Vohr, K. Watson, E. E. Weld, E. M. Wilson, J. M. Wilson, A. E. Wright, A. A. Zowe.

Whinham College.—J. G. Balfour, J. K. Bastard, N. W. Beaney, G. Boothby, L. A. Davies, H. C. W. Ehmcke, J. G. Hilters, L. H. Howard, E. A. Johnson, A. E. Joyner, F. E. Joyner, W. F. King, E. P. G. Little, G. McEwin, A. Messenger, A. Schrader, W. H. Wadey.

Christian Brothers' College.—E. J. B. Field, J. H. Fox, F. F. Hogan, F. J. Kennedy, P. F. Riley, P. H. J. Lester, J. A. McManamny, P. L. McNamara, T. S. Ryder.

Semaphore Collegiate School.—H. W. Almond, H. W. Andrews, L. J. W. Butler, W. H. C. Lovely, W. A. Marchant, H. B. Wright.

Unley Park School.—E. M. M. Ambrose, L. F. Ambrose, M. B. Austin, J. M. Hardy, R. M. Loessel.

Private Tuition.—E. A. Beare, A. A. Cave, H. Fleming, A. A. Price, E. R. Williams.

Glenelg Grammar School.—F. J. Bounin, J. A. Bounin, C. P. Caterer, R. S. Duncan, F. L. Ifould.

High School, Mount Gambier.—D. Collins, W. Hammer, A. J. McLachlan, C. H. Williams.

Mrs. Kelsey's School.—E. H. Bowden, E. C. Fisher, E. M. Richardson.
 Miss Senner's School.—M. O. Caw, G. E. B. Field.
 Adelaide Collegiate School.—A. Builder, N. Frampton, H. Fry, A. H. Morris.
 Mr. D'Arenberg's Tuition.—A. H. Glen, R. Nicholson.
 Grote-street Model School.—S. F. Ive.
 Miss Adamson's School.—J. H. H. Lawrie.
 Miss Adams's School.—C. B. Mudge.
 Hardwicke College.—C. M. Müller.
 Ladies' Collegiate School, Semaphore.—C. M. Searcy.
 Norwood Public School.—H. Smyth.
 Hahndorf College.—B. Smeaton, F. M. Willcox.
 Girls' Grammar School, North Adelaide.—A. M. Bagot.
 King's School, Sherborne, England.—V. W. Dowell.

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THE MUSICAL EXAMINATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR.

Sir—In allusion to the musical examinations in your leader to-day surprise was expressed at the high percentage of passes obtained in the theory of music. This may be accounted for by the fact that Professor Ives's strictness in examining is well known, and that very few schools sent in candidates. Hardwicke College, from which seven students gained first-class passes, has for years made music a special and compulsory study. Fourteen questions were set, involving a thorough knowledge of each part of the work specified, and any candidate who could answer them in the allotted time must have been well up in the subject. Were the standard still higher schools would be further discouraged from sending in any candidate. As regards the practical examination, the number of failures was unexpectedly large, and no candidate who has not had a long course of thorough teaching will have any chance of passing them. Indeed, if a preliminary practical musical examination were held (for pupils under 14 years of age for instance), and schools could be induced to take an interest in it, it would have a powerful influence in raising and extending the standard of music in the colony.

I am, Sir, &c.,

ONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN S.A. MUSIC.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR.

Sir—Your columns are ever open for the discussion of matters connected with the usefulness or otherwise of our highest educational institution, and your own remarks upon the subject of education as dealt with in the University are always worthy of the most serious consideration. Those of our colonial youth who desire to have the advantages which a course of study at the University gives to its possessors owe you many thanks for your persistent endeavours to widen and liberalize the regulations concerning the entrance-door to the University. It is now theoretically possible for almost any one who has the ambition and brains to acquire at least the B.A. and B.Sc. degrees at very little expense and at his own time by means of what is known as the higher public examination. The powers that be in University matters have made regulations by which any one can take the subjects of the first and second years B.A. and B.Sc. courses piecemeal without attending lectures. To obtain the degrees, however, it is necessary to take the third year's course at the University. Now, Sir, this excellent regulation has I fancy been hidden all the year in the University calendar. I do not think many people outside the circle of those who invest a half-crown in the calendar know much about the higher public examination. We shall know in the course of a few days whether any students have taken advantage of the regulations to endeavour to secure the honours, but it seems to me, as one who would like very much to have opportunity to take the study for the examination, that it would be well if this examination could be held in March. It is evidently a special examination, plainly intended to meet exceptional cases, and requires exceptional help. I shall be glad to give reasons in a future communication why it should be held in March. Meanwhile I draw attention to the matter.

I am, Sir, &c.,

STUDENT.