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CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE.

ANNUAL DISPLAY.

Despite the heat the Adelaide Town Hall was filled on Thursday evening, when the annual display of the pupils of the Christian Brothers' College took place. In the absence of the Archbishop through illness the chair was taken by the Rev. Father Cosgrove, the spiritual director of the college. There were also present—The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Messrs. T. Scherk, M.P., W. Cummins, M.P., J. T. Morris, M.P., F. J. Hourigan, M.P., and P. McM. Glynn, M.P. The old scholars were present in strong force, and, wearing the colors of the institution, they marched up the hall two deep, the audience cheering them enthusiastically. A long and interesting programme was carried out to the entire satisfaction of the audience, who appreciated the efforts of the performers by applauding them spiritedly, and in some cases demanding encores. Herr A. R. Mumme's orchestral class opened the programme by playing an overture of his own composition, which was dedicated to the principal of the college (Brother Hughes), Brother Hayes wielding the baton. The lads acquitted themselves splendidly. The singing class under the direction of Mr. W. A. Key rendered the hymns, "Sing praise to God" and "O Flower of Grace" with good expression and devotional sympathy which elicited much cheering. Masters J. McGrath and M. Considine were the competitors in the junior elocution; the former gave "The soldier's dream," and the latter "The Irish hills." Both showed the possession of dramatic ability, and the judges had difficulty in awarding the prize, which was handed to Master McGrath. Masters I. Caesarowicz and F. Winch were the only entrants for Messrs. Troy & Ahern's medal for the best junior soloist, and the former, who selected Rodney's "Calvary," sang with better expression and seemed more at home than the latter, whose number was "The Irish emigrant." The judges gave the medal to Master Winch, while Bro. Hughes also promised a medal to his opponent. The junior gymnastic class, under the leadership of Herr Leschen, then gave a display in which they exhibited unusual proficiency, and their efforts were greeted with unstinted applause. Mr. Reeves's elocutionary class gave the second scene from the third act of "Julius Cæsar," Masters B. Bödeker and L. Gatemeyer taking the characters of Brutus and Mark Antony, both of whom proved themselves to be elocutionists of no mean ability. The scene was excellently staged, and it was the best of its kind that has ever been given at the college demonstrations. After a couple of part songs had been sung by the class, Masters P. O'Connor, J. Foran, and J. Kenny played the "Gloria in excelsis" from Mozart's Twelfth Mass as a pianoforte trio, in which they were assisted by Herr Mumme on the violin, Brother Hayes conducting. The number was excellently given, and the performance was awarded well-merited applause. The principal items of the evening were the singing of Sullivan's "Dearest heart" and Adams's "Island of dreams" by Masters H. Sands and W. Fraser respectively, for Mr. E. J. Hogan's medal. Both boys have beautiful treble voices; their enunciation being excellent and their rendering of the songs all that could be desired. Master Sands was given first prize and Mr. J. T. Morris, M.P., intimated that he would present Master Fraser with a medal also. Herr Leschen's senior gymnastic class gave a clever exhibition of Indian club-swinging and juggling, reflecting every credit on themselves and their tutor. In the senior elocution competition Master B. Bödeker gained first place, Master C. James ranking second. At the close the Chairman distributed the prizes on the platform, on which were also seated the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Messrs. Morris and Glynn, Drs. Hynes and Gunson, Father Adamson, Messrs. J. H. Fox, W. H. Gunson, A. Conrad, and W. J. Denny. The prize-list is appended:—

PRIZE LIST.

SENIOR UNIVERSITY CLASS.

Silver medal—Edward O'Neill.

JUNIOR UNIVERSITY PASSES.

Silver medals—Charles Edmunds, Vincent Gillen, William Fraser, Herman Engelbrecht.

Special prizes—Laurence Gatzemeyer, first in Christian doctrine; Charles Edmunds, first place in year's marks; Alexis Holtze, for German; Francis Gatzemeyer, for German.

PRELIMINARY CLASS.

Prizes for passing preliminary examination—James O'Connell, Francis McFlugh, Francis V. Smith, Laurence Hurley, Ronald Henderson, Roy Mansfield, Henry Mullins, John Primrose, Maurice Fox, Roy Nottle, Herbert Reilly, Ernest Molloy.

Preliminary Class.—John Sheridan, Gerald O'Dea, John Barrington, Maurice Cooney, John Russell, Charles James, James Kenny, William Crowley, Joseph Dunn, Ivan Caesarowicz.

Special Prize.—James Woods, for Christian doctrine.

Snorthand—Medal, James Kenny; prize, John Barrington.

Elocution (Mr. E. Reeves' prize)—First place senior division, Master B. Bodeker; second place senior division, Master C. James; first place junior division, Master J. McGrath; second place junior division, Master M. Considine.

Solo-singing.—First place senior division, silver medal, Master H. Sands; first place junior division, silver medal, Master F. Winch.

Gymnastics (Herr H. Leschen's prizes).—Seniors, D. Horgan; B. Bodeker; juniors, J. Kennedy, M. Considine.

Mr. GLYNN, in proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman, said Father Cosgrove took a deep interest in the welfare of the institution, which he congratulated on having so able a man to look after its spiritual interests.

The COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS, in seconding, said the college was a credit to the colony, and he hoped it would always maintain the same high standard.

Mr. MORRIS supported the motion, and the chairman suitably replied.

PARKSIDE HIGH SCHOOL.

The annual concert in connection with the Parkside High School was given by the pupils under the direction of the principals, the Misses Newman, on Thursday evening in the Wesleyan lecture-hall, when the Rev. W. H. Hanton presided over a large attendance. The report of the year's work was of a very satisfactory character, and showed that the pupils had worked well and acquitted themselves admirably in all departments. The music students had been especially successful at the University examinations. An excellent programme was carried out in a manner which reflected the utmost credit on the school. Some brilliant specimens of pianoforte playing were given by scholars of both senior and junior division. A duet by Misses Seimen and Stephens was much appreciated by the audience, as was also Miss Yeo's interpretation of Schumann's "Sonatina in G." Miss S. Newman performed the mazurkas (Nos. 15 and 48, Chopin) in a finished and tasteful style. Miss Hall was very successful in her rendition of "Adagio and Presto" (Beethoven's opera 1, No. 2) and "Balmoral." Misses Allen and Yeates contributed the duet "Polonaise in D" (Schubert). Miss E. Hawson skilfully rendered "Sonatina in C" (Clementi). The pianoforte selection "Hopscotch" (Fabian Rose) performed by Miss Bracegirdle won well-merited applause for the brilliancy of execution displayed. Equally pleasing were the vocal items of the programme, the junior class receiving enthusiastic applause for the rendition of the action songs, "In a garden," "Boat song," and "Little Dame Trot." An important part of the entertainment was the drill exercises. These were picturesque in style and carried out with a precision which cannot be too highly commended. One of these in which baskets formed an important element was particularly appreciated by the audience, and was greeted with marked expressions of approval. A scene from "The Merchant of Venice" was presented and showed how thorough the training of the seminary is. Subjoined is the list of prize winners:—

PRIZE-LIST.

Form V.—Scripture—E. Newman.
Form IV.—Class—E. Allen, M. Hall.
Form III.—Class and Essay—H. Knight. Latin—R. Cresdee. Improvement—E. Logue, A. Smith.
Form II.—Class—E. Hawson, M. Bracegirdle, M. Hawson, Myra Logue. Scripture—E. Hawson. Improvement and neatness—V. Moyle.
Form I.—Class—T. Bracegirdle, R. Cresdee, D. Biggs. Conduct—T. Bracegirdle.
Special.—Wigg's essay—E. Newman. Catt's music—M. Hall. Howell's music—J. Davidson.

UNIVERSITY PASSES.

Senior English—J. Davidson.
Preliminary—J. Davidson, M. Hall, E. Allen.
Music, practical—M. Hall (senior), M. Yeo (junior).
Theory, senior—E. Newman, J. Davidson, M. Hall.
Theory, junior—R. Cresdee, L. Stephens. mzx

During the evening a collection was taken up on behalf of the Christmas cheer fund for the poor of the district.

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