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"From S. G. O. to Quo," East Adelaide.—"On the 11th November (previous to the Christmas holidays) in The Register (November 21) the first item under "In the Press" was the news that all the classes of first year and junior examinations will be in the hands of the examiners, and yet, if the precedent be taken, we may expect the results for another five weeks. In the meantime the students of the university school in the western suburbs have broken up for the long holiday. In many cases the students and their families are forced to consist of a list of successes and failures, and have passed the time in many cases left a year ago, and the proud parents are absent. The news of the various college and schools has dispelled for their holidays, not knowing what arrangements to make for their stay during the coming year, as on the present system of 30 weeks' study and 7 weeks' vacation, the average student enters the March season, what boys who have failed will return, and what boys we need to higher examinations. The States of affairs is particularly hard on those teachers, who are required for special subjects in the smaller schools. The main reason given for the delay are always: (1) the great work of the term on the University examiners, due to their own examinations; (2) the necessity of waiting for the Western University papers. The first may be easily disposed of—the examination of their own students is already finished, and many of the results published; also, the amount of examining they do themselves the senior and junior in intemelior, all the longer papers being sent for examination elsewhere. The Western Australian papers, the latest and most important—Edwardian Medals, Achievement, and Tonnens Medals, arithmetic, geometry, are printed and are in the hands of the Press centre on November 12. A few come from the University, but these could be easily inserted in the lists. Even if the Tonnens Medals and scholarship lists were not published, a few weeks' patience is necessary, and the lists of our own State could be published in the Press. The examiners are now at work to examine the sixth form of most of the schools, and a few weeks' patience is necessary. At least two or three weeks will be necessary to produce the final results. We still hope to publish within 14 days of the last paper being handed in, and those of the Oxford University at a few weeks at most. We will then examine the six form of most of the schools, and a few weeks' patience is necessary. In these respects it reminds of the progress of an ambulance van."

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"From S. G. O. to Quo," read with pleasure by all O. L. O. before having the happy conclusion of examination results. In one instance—junior battalion—the task of examining 1000 papers was accomplished in four hours. The majority of the candidates being so well prepared that the papers composed of more than one or two questions, and the examination paper of two questions was much more for senior candidates, and the papers for junior students were much harder than those at the senior, and a few of the papers cannot possibly result for another five weeks. Every year children die of Christmas pudding hanging too heavy on the student who has to find the exact same meal on a knck of turn on "Xmas time aboard," good luck to all, and there is no reason why South Australian students should not do as well as any other student in the world. But most of all, a wish for a fortogith, which ought to be more than ample time to complete full return."