tion, which surely dealt with a matter of public interest, was relegated to the Star Chamber Branch of the Board's proceedings, and in due course the writer was informed that his letter had been considered and "received!" If this is not a deliberate denial of common justice it is difficult to conceive of a nearer approach to it. The Board has not even the excuse that it was unfair to ask it at its own cost to tell off an officer for the two or three hours necessary to furnish the information, for Dr. Poulton had made known his willingness to pay out of his own pocket the expense of copying the entries from the case-books. Nothing but a cold, callous determination to support the present medical officers, no matter what wild assertions they may see fit to make -no matter what cruel calumnies they may circulate-can account for the attitude of those who have the nominal control of Hospital affairs. Dr. Ramsay Smith's conduct is that of a cowardly and contemptible slanderer, and the Board by identifying itself with him brings itself into the same condemnation. It seems almost inconceivable that men and women who have the name of being estimable citizens, and who in the ordinary affairs of life would doubtless scorn to do a despicable action, can from purely partisan motives so far demean themselves as to deny justice to one who claims their assistance in seeking to clear his name and fame of a foul stigma sought

to be cast upon them by a man unworthy

to unloose the latchet of his shoe.

THE MEDICAL STUDENTS. - We are informed by the Registrar of the University of Adelaide that while it is a fact that the whole of the fourth and fifth year medical students are, proceeding elsewhere to complete their studies the full medical curriculum of five years is still provided for in the University regulations, and the Adelaide Hospital is still open, for them. The students who at the last examination passed their third and fourth years, however, are not satisfied that they are receiving the instruction necessary to enable them to complete the course. It is also stated that the outlook for the present year is decidedly promising, as a good number of students have intimated their intention of proceeding with the first year of the M.B. course.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE. -On Friday afternoon the Council of the University of Adelaide adopted the annual report for the year 1896. We have received a copy of the document, and from it we publish the information which has not aiready been presented to the public:-The number of undergraduates in the various courses was 105, and of non-graduating students 215. Undergraduates studying for the LL.B. Degree, 10. Two graduates in Arts are proceeding to the degree under Regulation IX., and 16 non-graduating students have been preparing for certificates to enable them to practise in the Supreme Court. Five students commenced the course for the LL.B. Degree, none of whom completed the first year. Three undergraduates completed the second year, 2 the third, and 2 the fourth. Number of undergraduates studying for the M.B. Degree, 48. Eight students commenced the course for the M.B. Degree; 9 completed the first year's course, 9 the second, 8 the third, 9 the fourth, and 6 the fifth. Eleven non-graduating students attended the lectures on Materia Medica. Number of undergraduates studying for B.A. Degrees 17, including three evening scholars. Six students commenced the course for the dogree, and 4 completed the first year's course, 4 the second, and 4 the third. Forty-four nongraduating students attended various lectures of the B.A. course. Number of undergraduates studying for the B.Sc. Degree, 17, including 6 evening scholars. Nine students commenced the course for the B.Sc. Degree. Six completed the first year's course, one the second, and two the third. One hundred and sixty-one non - graduating students attended various lectures of the B.Sc. course, of whom 92 attended from the School of Mines, 7 from the Education Department, and 11 from the Pharmaceutical Society. Number of undergraduates studying for the Mus. Bac. Degree, 11. Two students commenced the course. Six students attended the lectures of the Advanced Course of Public Examinations in Music. At the examination in November, 2 students completed the first year's course, 1 the second, and 3 the third. Evening classes were held in the following subjects: - English; Latin, Part I.; Mathematics; Physics, Part I.; Greek, Part II.; Geology; Inorganic Chemistry; Electric Engineering, Parts I. and II. Forty-two candidates entered for various subjects of the Higher Public Examination. One candidate obtained the degree of Bachelor of Music. At the Special Senior Public Examination in March 9 candidates entered, 6 for the whole examination and 3 for special subjects; 4 candidates passed in the third class, and 3 candidates passed in special subjects. At the examination held in November 202 candidates entered; 8 passed in the first class, 24 in the second, and 21 in the third; 16 candidates passed in special subjects. At the Junior Examination held in November 116 candidates entered: 7 passed in the first class, 5 in the second, and 40 in the third class, and 27 other candidates passed but were not classified, as they were over the prescribed age. At the Preliminary Examination held in March 147 candidates entered, of whom 74 passed; 414 candidates entered for the Preliminary Examination held in September, and 211 passed. Local examinations were held at Clare, Port Pirio, and at Perth, Western Australia. In the Theory of Music 192 candidates entered for the junior division; 76 gained first-class certificates and 81 second-class certificates. In the senior division 30 candidates entered; 6 gained first-class certificates