

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHESTRA.

CONCERT FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

With the object of cultivating in the youthful mind a taste for better-class instrumental music, a concert for the special benefit of school children was given by the South Australian Orchestra in the Exhibition Building last evening.

In opening the proceedings Dr. Harold Davies welcomed the Minister of Education (Hon. L. L. Hill) and the Director (Mr. W. T. McCoy). He told the children he wanted them to have a good time that night.

The conductor explained the ideas in the mind of Rossini, the composer of the overture "William Tell," the first item on the programme.

The well-known "Bacchante" from Offenbach's "Tales of Hoffmann" was the next item. Mr. Foote said it required little explanation.

The final number was the ballet, "Coppelia," by Delibes. The conductor then played a few bars.

The conductor then requested the audience to sing the first phrase as a prayer, and to give power to the rest.

accurate of these depended upon the shift in the apparent position of a relatively near star in relation to others so remote that they showed no change in position with the movement of the earth from one extremity of its orbit to the other.

Bulk of Millions of Suns.

Observations of the Andromeda nebulae, said the professor, showed that unless rarified beyond all conception, the total amount of material in it must be sufficient to make millions of suns.

According to Einstein's theory of relativity, the distinction between space and time was not an absolute one. An observer on the earth would not assert that two events such as the striking of the hour of 12 on the Post Office clock was separated by no interval of space and by precisely 12 hours of time.

Thompson, at the cost of from £15,000 to £16,000. The present building includes the chancel, the choir, the transepts, and one bay of the nave. The expenditure up to the present time has been between £15,000 and £16,000, and the total cost of the complete building is estimated at about £25,000.

STRUCTURES OF THE UNIVERSE.

LECTURE BY PROFESSOR KERR GRANT.

Professor Kerr Grant delivered the first of a series of three University extension lectures on physics and astronomy at the Adelaide University on Tuesday night.

The Professor, in his opening remarks, said that the number of stars visible to the unassisted eye was actually only a few thousand, but many more were seen by the use of telescopes and the photographic plate.

Remarkable Magellan Clouds.

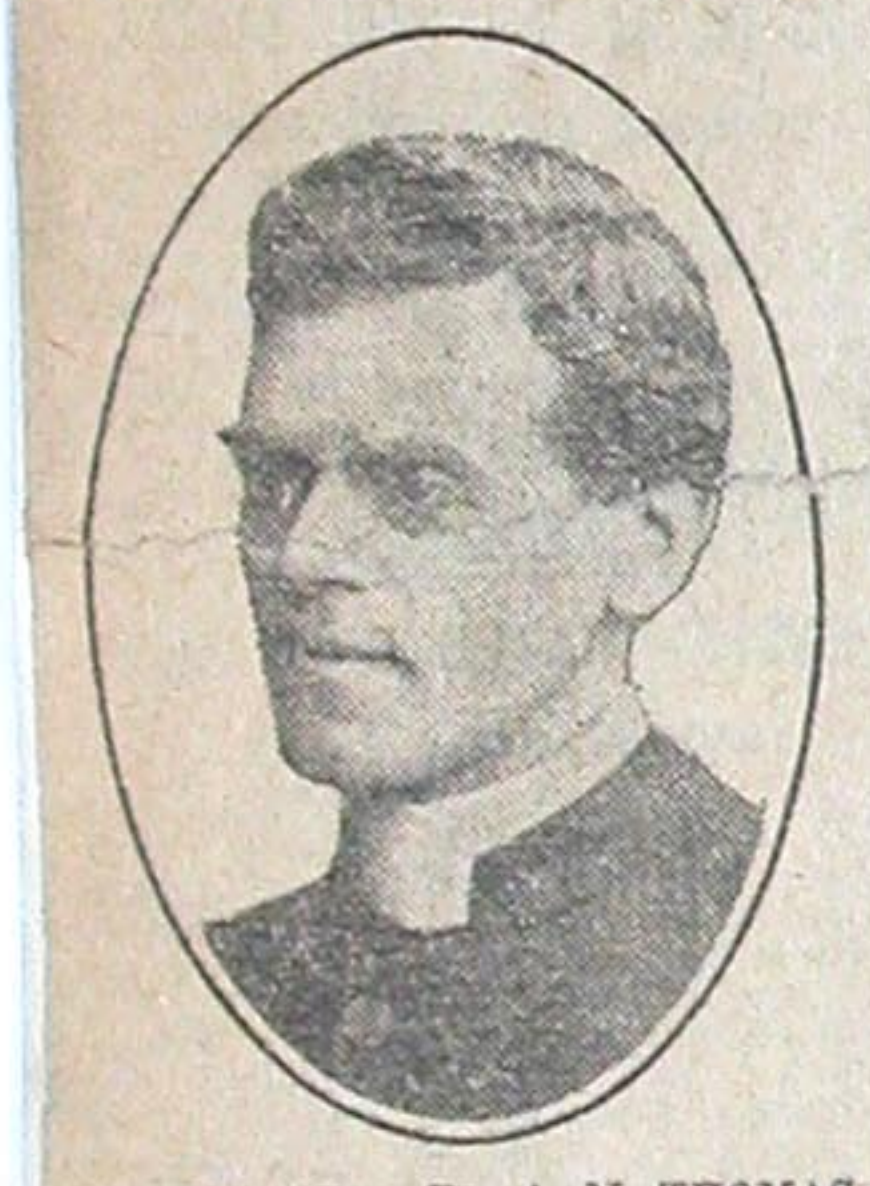
Two of the most remarkable objects in the southern sky, said the speaker, were the Magellan clouds. Telescopic and photographic observation showed that they contained star groups in clusters, of all magnitudes, and were really like the detached portions of the galaxy.

dral, Bishop Thomas said in his recent sermon that more remained for benefactors to do. It was hoped that the whole of the Cathedral would one day be panelled with oak to a height of about seven feet. They



The Right Rev. Dr. J. R. HARMER. (Third Bishop of Adelaide, and now Bishop of Rochester).

wanted a children's corner, where the children might have their own possessions, such as books, pictures, and other interests. He also trusted to see other portions of the Cathedral furnished as chapels, as the missions of the church, the O.E.M.S., boy scouts, the Mothers' Union, the Girls'



The Right Rev. Dr. A. N. THOMAS (Fourth Bishop of Adelaide).

Friendly Society, the Navy and Army, and the ministry of healing, all merited the help that a special corner of the edifice might give. "We do not live in the past," the Bishop said.

The staff of the Cathedral at present comprises the Bishop (Right Rev. Dr. Thomas), the Dean (the Very Rev. G. E. Young), the Precentor (Rev. Canon Milne), the special preacher (Rev. P. Carrington), and the organist (Mr. J. M. Dunn).

The First Service.

The following is an extract from "The Advertiser" of June 30, 1876, relating to the first service in the Cathedral:—

"About twenty minutes before 8 o'clock the clergy walked through the aisles in procession. The Ven. Archdeacon Marryat acted as director of the ceremonies, and the Ven. Archdeacon Dove as precentor. The Ven. Archdeacon Marryat gave out the Psalms 24, 115, and 130, which were chanted by the choir, accompanied by the congregation. The Magnificat having been chanted, the Rev. Canon Coombs, of Gawler, read the second lesson from Chapter 4 of the Acts of the Apostles. The Nunc Dimittis was chanted, also the Belief. The Ven. Archdeacon Marryat then gave out Psalm 34, verses 8, 9, and 10, which were sung as an anthem. The remainder of the service was chanted as before. Bishop Short based his sermon on the words:—'What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits towards me?'—Psalm CXVI.

"The plans for the cathedral were prepared in England by Mr. Butterfield, but were afterwards modified by Mr. E. J. Woods, of Adelaide, and the contract has been carried out by Messrs Brown and

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AMONG RARE DOCUMENTS DELVING IN THE ARCHIVES

South Australia in Retrospect

In a secluded little building at the rear of the Museum reposes a collection of records and documents of rare historical value.

They represent the South Australia of the past, and cover the period from 1836 to somewhere about 1880.

The exact monetary value of the collection which is in the Archives Department can never be assessed, but it is in the information contained in the documents, and books where the real value lies, and elaborate precautions have been taken to guard against fire and pilfering.

Another point of difference between the archives and the Public Library is that no artificial lighting or heating is allowed in the building, and again, lighted pipes, cigars, and cigarettes are banned.