

Outlined Plan of Education.

The Educational System of the TORONTO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC is, for the sake of convenience in examinations, divided into two general departments: the Academic, or Preparatory; and the Collegiate, or Graduating Department. These two departments do not differ from each other so much in the mode of instruction employed as in certain outward regulations, concerning which are given the following explanations:

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

The Academic Department, which is intended to be preparatory to the Collegiate Department, is open to all persons above seven years of age, with or without any previous knowledge of music. This department is designed, firstly, as a *general school* of music, leading students through a carefully graduated course to the point where they can enter the Collegiate Department, and there pursue their studies until graduation without fear of having to sacrifice time and labor in correcting faults resulting from previous misdirected efforts. Secondly, this department is intended to meet the wants of amateurs who have not the time and inclination to enter upon an extended course of study, but who desire the best possible instruction during the time they may decide to devote to it, and who also wish to avail themselves of the general advantages afforded by a large Conservatory of Music; advantages which it is hardly possible to secure in connection with private instruction. No student will be admitted to this department for a shorter period than one term.

EXAMINATIONS IN THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

Arrangements have been made to extend throughout the Academic Department the system of examinations which has been so advantageous to the pupils in the Collegiate Department.

These examinations, however, will not be compulsory, but according as parents may or may not desire them.

They will take place at the end of each quarter, after which a written report of the pupil's progress, together with any suggestions which the examiner may make, will be forwarded to the parent or guardian of each pupil examined.