

# Young choir voices fill cathedral

## REVIEW

By Alan Cooper

THE first thing to impress me about the Haddo Junior Choirs was the sheer size of the younger chorus.

Haddo Children's Choir has more than 90 members. Along with the Youth Choir they sang magnificently at St Machar's Cathedral, Aberdeen on Saturday

evening. Both choirs are led and conducted by piano and singing teacher Alice Dennis with accompaniments played by her husband, Jerry.

The younger choir sang first, followed by the Youth Choir. Both offered a selection of choral items along with solos and duets or trios.

Even with the younger choir fully developed part singing is the order of the day. Numbers like Quilter's Blossom Time and

Zingari Bridal Day, a choral setting of the Hungarian Dance Number 5 by Brahms, were spot on.

The Youth Choir fields more than 30 voices and their contribution ranged from a luscious harmonisation of Rodgers and Hammerstein's People Will Say We're In Love and Charles Wood's Music When Soft Voices Die to Kodaly's hugely testing Dancing Song. A triumphant performance.