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ROWING.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday afternoon four more heats and a bye in connection with the South Australian Rowing Association's regatta were decided on the Torrens Lake. There was a good muster of the general public, and the respective crews had a large number of supporters urging them on to victory. The Adelaide No. 1 crew and the Universities began the proceedings for the Webb Memorial Cup. There was a fair set to for supremacy until Grayson quickened his stroke at the island, and at the Norwood sheds the Universities were in difficulties, and the yellow-and-blacks beat them home by four lengths. The Commercial's four then rowed a bye, and the Maiden Fours, full outriggered clinkers, next engaged attention. The Commercial and Universities were the respective crews, and the Mercantiles were not slow to take up the lead. Denny set his men a nice stroke and led up the river, and was first past the judge by a little more than a length. The Varsities rallied somewhat at the finish, but their efforts were unsuccessful. The Adelaides then tackled the Norwoods, and, jumping away smartly at the start, they were never headed, and won comfortably by about four lengths. Thus far no exciting finish had been witnessed, but in Maiden Fours (tub, fixed seats) the Adelaides and Norwoods appeared to be fighting hard at the Morphett-street bridge. Previous to this, however, the Adelaides ran foul of their opponents, but the race was persevered with. Bert. Richards livened things up at the bridge, and, drawing away, won a good race by three or four lengths. In the next heat the Ports outpaced the Universities, and had the satisfaction of winning by a couple of lengths. The officials were:— Starter, Mr. R. Cruickshank; judge, Mr. E. C. Blackmore; umpires—Morphett-street-bridge, Mr. W. L. Burton; Long's point, Mr. W. Woolridge; City-bridge, Mr. F. Halcomb. The crews are:—

WEBB MEMORIAL CUP.

North Side.—Adelaide Rowing Club—A. J. Grayson (stroke), 11 st. 8 lb.; J. H. Gosse (3), 11 st. 7 lb.; F. Acraman (2), 11 st. 4 lb.; D. Blyth (bow), 11 st. 1 lb.; W. Sweeney (cox).

South Side.—University—W. H. Gosse (stroke), 11 st. 4 lb.; C. D. Halcomb (3), 11 st. 7 lb.; J. D. Connor (2), 11 st. 10 lb.; W. R. Bayly (bow), 11 st. 4 lb.; C. B. Marryat (cox).

MAIDEN FOURS (FULL OUTRIGGER CLINKERS).

North Side.—Commercial Rowing Club—W. J. Denny (stroke), 10 st. 11 lb.; H. Hoath (3), 10 st. 10 lb.; F. Gobiney (2), 10 st. 10 lb.; W. Crawford (bow), 9 st. 9 lb.; H. L. Jenkin (cox.).

South Side.—University—G. C. Dow (stroke), 11 st. 7 lb.; E. O. Padman (3), 11 st. 12 lb.; W. L. Stuart (2), 11 st. 2 lb.; J. T. Byrne (bow), 10 st. 7 lb.; C. B. Marryat (cox.).

North Side.—Adelaide Rowing Club—G. S. F. Lloyd (stroke), 10 st.; O. Crompton (3), 12 st. 8 lb.; W. G. Auld (2), 11 st. 1 lb.; W. Fox (bow), 10 st. 2 lb.; W. Sweeney (cox.).

South Side.—Norwood Boating Club—E. Woolridge (stroke), 10 st.; W. Hastings (3), 11 st. 8 lb.; A. Connolly (2), 11 st. 10 lb.; N. Koss (bow), 10 st. 4 lb.; E. Eakins (cox).

MAIDEN FOURS (TUBS, FIXED SEATS).

South Side.—Norwood Boating Club—A. Richards (stroke), 10 st. 4 lb.; W. Gething (3), 10 st. 8 lb.; O. Dunstan (2), 12 st.; L. Young (bow), 9 st. 8 lb.; E. E. Eakins (cox).

North Side.—Adelaide Rowing Club—O. P. Heggie (stroke), 9 st. 11 lb.; J. P. Stuart (3), 10 st. 6 lb.; W. G. Nordmann (2), 9 st. 8 lb.; G. C. Stanton (bow), 9 st. 1 lb.; W. Sweeney (cox).

South Side.—Port Adelaide Rowing Club—W. Walker (stroke), 10 st. 9 lb.; C. Brock (3), 11 st. 3 lb.; A. Simpson (2), 11 st. 2 lb.; C. Lawton (bow), 10 st.; R. Allen (cox).

North Side.—Universities—W. R. Kelly (stroke), 11 st. 6 lb.; R. Healey (3), 11 st. 12 lb.; O. D. Heggaton (2), 10 st. 12 lb.; F. H. Makin (bow), 9 st. 10 lb.; L. Bickford (cox).

This evening heats in the Ladies' Challenge Shield, Torrens Fours for juniors, and Maiden Fours (half outriggered fixed seats) will be decided.

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THE UNDERGRADUATES' DAY.—According to recent custom, the undergraduates had an afternoon on their own account at the Adelaide University on Wednesday. At this year's Commemoration two programmes were issued to the audience—one the official paper prepared by the Registrar, and the other unofficial, emanating from the students, and dated "The Union Room, December 11." The students, or presumably the majority of them, went to the expense of getting out a printed programme, in some respects resembling that issued by the University, but of course intended to be in keeping with the undergrads' diversion from the orthodox or more formal procedure. A large number of the undergraduates stationed themselves at the back of the hall. The seats there "are reserved for the students," and their printed command was that "the Senate and Council will kindly *keep off the grass*, and not interrupt proceedings." Bannerettes were displayed in the students' quarter, and they had a drum and instruments to assist their programme, which began some time before the entrance of the Chancellor and members of the Council and Senate. Suspended above the platform near the Chancellor's seat was an alleged model of "Frills," the Chancellor's faithful dog. The announcement ran, "the Right Hon. S. J. Way, &c., will preside, with 'Frills' in the bookcase at the west end. He has kindly consented to curtail his orations for the occasion." A couple of dozen melodies were down on the programme against the names of the ladies and gentlemen who were admitted to degrees, and these were rendered and once repeated by the students in every case in which the graduates were present. "The songs may be sung in music halls or churches without fee or licence," according to the programme. The verses had a personal significance. The merry students, at times almost irrepressible, declared that they were prompted to an exhibition of musical talent that they might give an idea of "the nucleus of the proposed Conservatorium of Music, consisting of the University Orchestra and Students' Choir." The Chancellor allowed the students to proceed with their programme, but he rose two or three times to ask them to keep quiet. At one stage he reminded them that the Council had recently met their convenience by complying with a certain representation. "Will you reciprocate that compliment this afternoon?" asked the dignified Chancellor. Now and again while Professor Bensly was in the midst of his eloquent address the students were somewhat disorderly, and transgressed by freely interjecting, and there were sounds from even without the building which implicated the undergraduates. But they had their serio-comic programme, and intended to adhere to it. It ran—"Professor Bensly will be permitted to deliver the annual address. The students will construe unintelligible portions, and will undertake to arouse any sleepers in the audience." The merriment provided by the young folk was generally accepted in good part, and the students kept the music up to the end, playing the National Anthem, at the Chancellor's request, as the Governor and the University party left the hall.

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UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

COMMEMORATION DAY.

The assemblage which gathered at the Adelaide University on Wednesday afternoon to witness the ceremony connected with the annual conferment of degrees was a very large one. The library, where the proceedings took place, was too small to accommodate those present, and the adjoining classroom and the landing leading to the hall were filled with the overflow. The ladies especially mustered in strong force, and their summer costumes and the gay robes of the professors and graduates lent color and attractiveness to the scene. The Chancellor (the Right Hon. S. J. Way) presided, and he was supported on the platform by the Vice-Chancellor (Dr Barlow), the warden of the

It is an honor for the University of Adelaide to have received a gift of £20,000 from Sir Walter Watson, and followed by a gift of the same amount from Sir Thomas Elder, that this University owes its existence. This gift of £20,000 by Sir Thomas Elder was but the first of a succession of magnificent benefactions. Let me enumerate a few—£1,500 for the chair of music, £1,000 for the evening classes, £10,000 for founding a medical school, £1,000 to complete the five years' course, £750 in prizes for physiology. In March last Sir Thomas died at a ripe old age, and when his will was opened it was found that, besides answering the claims of kindred and friendship, he had left a series of legacies in aid of philanthropic objects, and for the advancement of religion, learning, and art to the amount of £155,000. The University of Adelaide shared to the amount of £65,000 in these bequests, £20,000 for the medical school, £20,000 for the school of music, and £25,000 without any condition whatever. *Res ipsa loquitur*. No panegyric is wanted for gifts like these, amounting altogether to close upon £100,000. (Cheers.) The University council are keenly sensible of the responsibilities cast upon them of making the greatest use of these subject endowments. They have given this subject their anxious consideration. Their deliberations are not yet complete, but I will take you into our confidence as to what has already been determined upon. We have decided to establish a conservatorium of music. This will necessitate the erection of a large hall, which will be required for examinations and on occasions when we shall be grateful indeed for a large and more cubic feet of air. The council by conciliatory negotiations are endeavoring to re-establish the medical school for the full term of five years, so as to give our students in science who are desiring the proper subjects the benefit of a degree in medicine, and in establishing an advanced course in mining engineering, and metallurgy, which will extend over four years, the last of which will be post graduate in its character. This course will in no way conflict with the work done by the School of Mines or with the associateship granted by that institution. In fact, the School of Mines is heartily co-operating with us in what we are doing to establish the course which I have just indicated. The council are also desirous of doing all in their power to raise the standard of education of our State school teachers and to increase the benefit which primary schools already enjoy from the University. They have laid in offer before the Government to under-

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The following graduates of other universities were then admitted *ad eundem gradum*:—Frederick William Richards, LL.D. (London); Richard Sanders Rogers, M.D. (Edinburgh); Rev. Lionel Payne Crawford, M.A., and Rev. Arthur George Bainbridge, West, M.A. (Oxford); John William Salmond LL.B. (London); John Francis Souter, M.B. (Aberdeen); Edward Angas Johnson, M.B. and Ch.B., Allan Elliott Randell, M.B. and Ch.B., Violet May Plummer, M.B., and Harold Maund Evans, M.B. (Melbourne); and Alexander Gosse Hay, B.A. (Cambridge).

Dr. LENDON, who presented Messrs. Johnson and Randell, said that the latter had both in his first and second years won the Elder Prize, and last year he was awarded the Davies Thomas Scholarship. In addressing them the CHANCELLOR said—I congratulate you, Mr. Randell, upon your past success in this University, and both on having given such good evidence of the excellence of the teaching you received within these walls in your recent examinations at the University of Melbourne. (Cheers.)

Miss Plummer, Dr. LENDON mentioned, was already a bachelor of science at the Adelaide University, and had passed her examinations this year with first class honors. The CHANCELLOR said in admitting her—"I have heard, Miss Plummer, from other sources of the highly successful examination which you passed for your degree this year in the University of Melbourne. I congratulate you upon continued academic successes which do great credit to the University. (Cheers.)

THE STOW SCHOLAR.

The Dean of the Faculty of Laws presented to the Chancellor the Stow Scholar—Frederick William Young, student in laws of the fourth year.

The CHANCELLOR said—Mr. Young, I congratulate you on your having completed your undergraduate course with so much distinction. The Stow Scholarship is the greatest distinction in laws which this University can confer. To obtain it the scholar must have been the first of the law students in each of the three years of his undergraduate course. This great achievement has only been attained once before in the history of the University of Adelaide. Mr. Francis Stow, the son of the distinguished judge after whom this scholarship was named, was the first student of this University to attain it. It was very narrowly missed by that distinguished student whose memory is dear to many of us—the late Mr. Ash. I congratulate you most heartily on your being the second student in laws in the University of Adelaide to attain this great distinction. (Cheers.) I am satisfied this is but the precursor of success and distinction in your profession, and which I am sure all your fellow students and every member of the University join in wishing for you in your subsequent career. (Cheers.)

THE ROBY FLETCHER SCHOLAR.

Miss Ethel Roby Holder was presented as the Roby Fletcher Scholar.

The CHANCELLOR addressed Miss Holder thus—I congratulate you, Miss Holder, on having attained the scholarship founded in memory of a former vice-chancellor of this University, the late Rev. William Roby Fletcher. I am glad to hear from the dean of the faculty of arts that you have distinguished yourself very much during your undergraduate course. He looks upon you as a singular example of improvement under the teaching

example of improvement under the teaching given by this University. I am informed that not only have you distinguished yourself in mental science, for which this scholarship is given, but you have also reached a very high position in the first class in Latin and very nearly the first class in Greek. (Cheers.) I am sure we may augur from this success that you will have continued success in the remainder of your undergraduate career and that I shall have other opportunities of congratulating you. (Cheers.)

OTHER PRESENTATIONS.

There were also presented:—

The Stow Prizeman—Frederick William Young (student in laws of the fourth year).

The Elder Prizemen—Percy Lewis Broadbent and Stanley Arthur Malin (students in medicine of the first year), and Henry Harper Formby (student in medicine for the second year).

The Dr. Davies Thomas Scholar—Arthur Geoffrey Owen (student in medicine of the third year).

The John Howard Clarke Scholar—Samuel Walter Goode.

The CHANCELLOR, in congratulating Mr. Formby, said—At a meeting of the University council held this afternoon it was determined not to allow the Elder Prize in Physiology, which had appeared in our proceedings for the last 15 or 16 years, to disappear from the programme notwithstanding the lamented decease of the honored gentleman who provided the funds for the prize. I congratulate you, Mr. Formby, on your success in attaining it.

ADDRESS BY THE CHANCELLOR.

The CHANCELLOR said—Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen—Before calling upon Professor Bensly to deliver the annual address there are one or two matters which I think should hardly be passed over without some mention. The year that is just closing has been sadly remarkable for deaths amongst those men who have been prominent in the university life of Australia. The University of Sydney has lost Sir William Windeyer, the eminent judge, who, for several years in succession was its vice-chancellor and afterwards and until lately its chancellor. Less than a fortnight ago Sir Anthony Brownless passed away at the ripe age of 80 years, and thus closed an honorable record of service first as Vice-Chancellor and then as Chancellor of the University of Melbourne for between 29 and 30 years. During the last year we also have lost several friends and benefactors of our own University. Your Excellency's predecessors in office and in the visitorship of this University were two of them. Sir William Jervois, who laid the foundation-stone of this building, and who opened it when it was finished, died in August, and Sir William Robinson, who at many of our commemorations was present and