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to an amicable agreement with the Country Party. It would have saved much trouble. I think the contest will be keen. The Country Party's cause should appeal to the Barossa district. Labor will poll well at Gawler. The Liberal chief centre will be at Angaston.

OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.
Tapping, developing, and utilisation of our natural resources will be my special interests. South Australia should be more or less self-supporting. There is no reason for the spending of large sums of money annually on imported goods when those goods can be produced and manufactured here. I am intimately acquainted with the mining industry, which has languished for a number of years. The mineral potentialities of South Australia have never been exploited. Willamstown and other areas of Barossa give every promise as important auriferous belts. Angaston is one of the most richly mineralised tracts in the Commonwealth. It is strange that a county like South Australia, richly endowed with brown coal, should have to import fuel from other States. Promising indications of petroleum have also been ignored. Better water conservation schemes are needed, especially in the country districts. There billions of gallons are running to waste each year. Apart from my profession I am interested in the land as a viticulturist.

In September, 1921, Mr. Napier was made K.C. He has been law lecturer at the University and was vice-president of the South Australian Law Society. He takes a deep interest in Freemasonry and holds high rank in the craft. Mr. Napier is a profound student of English literature and is well versed in the classics. He has a deep love for poetry, upon which he has lectured publicly, and for art, of which he is a connoisseur.

A Cultured Intellect

Well knit and natty, of medium height, with small black moustache carefully trimmed, partially hiding sensitive lips, and dark, luminous, kindly eyes provide a thumb-nail sketch of Mr. Isbister, K.C., M.B.E.

Mr. Isbister has all the qualifications of a good judge. His learning is indisputable, and his sensitive humanity is rich in rare responsiveness. He is a native of this State, as are all the present occupants of seats on the Supreme Court Bench.

Mr. Isbister was born at North Adelaide on July 7, 1866. He is a brother of the distinguished Sydney physician, Dr. J. L. T. Isbister, who is a graduate of the Adelaide University. Both are sons of the late Mr. William Isbister, of Adelaide. Mr. Isbister was educated at St. Peter's Collegiate School, and Adelaide University. He took his I.L.B. degree in 1887 with first-class passes, which gained the coveted Stow prize. He was called to the South Australian Bar in 1888 and the English Bar in 1893. He was holder of an Inner Temple Common Law scholarship in 1891, and was awarded first Common Law prize of the Council of Legal Education in 1892. He practised in Western Australia until 1901, since when he has practised in this State. He was made K.C. in 1916.

Mr. Isbister, whose intellectual taste and culture are widespread, is a member of the Council of the Adelaide University, and Dean of Faculty of Laws. He has also been a lecturer of law at that citadel of learning. This eminent lawyer rendered Red Cross service in Egypt during the war, for which in 1918 he was made a Member of the British Empire.

A shy, reserved man, Mr. Isbister leads an intellectual life and is almost a recluse. He has travelled widely and knows the world well. His gentle and refined courtesy of innate sincerity induces the warm regard of all with whom he is brought in contact, socially and professionally.

News 8.1.24

Mr. Cleland, K.C., Mentioned

Choice of selection of a new Judge for the Supreme Court is still in doubt. There were rumors today that Mr. E. Cleland, K.C., who is on a holiday in Great Britain, might be offered the vacancy created by the death of Sir John Gordon.



Mr. E. E. Cleland, K.C.

It is doubtful whether Mr. Cleland would accept the position if it were offered to him, as on a previous occasion he refused.

Mr. Cleland has had a most successful career at the Bar.

He took his degree at the Adelaide University in 1890, and has represented the South Australian Government before the Privy Council. He has had a large practice before the High Court, and is one of the strongest members

A cablegram has been received in Adelaide from Dr. H. Heaton (lecturer in economics at the University of Adelaide, and director of tutorial classes in connection with the Workers' Educational Association), who left with his family for England on November 17, of their safe arrival there. Dr. Heaton has been invited to give a course of lectures at Toronto University, Canada, on his way back to Australia.

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LODGE ST. ALBAN, No. 38, S.A.C.

Applications are invited for the tenure of the St. Alban Scholarship at the University of Adelaide. An applicant must be the son or daughter of a Freemason, and must have matriculated at the University. Forms of Application and further information can be obtained from the undersigned, and Applications must be forwarded not later than the 28th January, 1924, to C. A. SCALES, c/o J. E. Thomas, Steele, & Co., 5 Cavendish Chambers, Grenfell street, A9,11,5,7

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Pen Portrait

A Grave Judge

Mr. Justice Poole, who was appointed to the Supreme Court Bench in 1919, is a son of Canon, Frederick Slaney Poole, whose scholastic career was distinguished.



Mr. Justice Poole

St. Peter's College knows the Judge as one of its most capable old boys, and his name may be seen on many an honor board in the big schoolroom. He finished a brilliant course at his school to become an exhibitor of Trinity College, within the University of Melbourne, where he graduated bachelor of arts in 1894 and master of arts two years later. In the following year he took his degree in law with honors, and was called to the Victorian Bar in 1897.

Mr. Justice Poole was associate to Mr. Justice Bunde in Adelaide, and afterwards entered practice with Mr. P. E. Johnstone. He took silk in 1919, and was appointed to his present office in the same year.

For some time he was chancellor of the diocese of Adelaide, and did valuable work for the Anglican community in that capacity. At present he is warden of the University of Adelaide. He has always shown a deep interest in educational movements.

In 1903 he married Miss Dora Frances Williams, a daughter of the Rev. Francis Williams, who was for many years headmaster of St. Peter's College.

On the Bench he is as grave as he is wise. While he has not the bubbling wit of the late Mr. Justice Gordon, nor the ready smile of Mr. Justice Angus Parsons, he is a great stickler for Court etiquette, as is the Chief Justice. His gravity is born of study and serious thinking. He is sound as a dispenser of justice, and is popular with all branches of the legal profession. His hobby seems to be law—and then

Dr. Melville Birks, formerly medical superintendent of the Broken Hill Hospital, who has been an invalid for nearly two years, is in Adelaide. His many friends here and in Broken Hill will be pleased to know that there has lately been an improvement in his health. Accompanied by his wife, who has been his constant attendant during a long and serious illness, Dr. Birks came to Adelaide from Melbourne about three weeks ago, and is now being nursed in his mother's home, 7 Kensington road, Norwood.

Mr. A. L. Rogers, with the aid of whose rare mechanical skill Professor Sir William Bragg entered upon several of his most important lines of investigation while on the staff of the Adelaide University, still corresponds with the famous scientist, who was recently placed in charge of some supremely important work at the Royal Institution, London. Mr. Rogers has consented to the publication of extracts from a recent letter he received from Sir William Bragg, dated from the Royal Institution:—"I hope we can do some work here and carry on the tradition of the place. We shall try, anyway. The great attraction from my point of view is the Davy-Faraday laboratory next door to the institution, and practically part of it. It is most beautifully fitted up—room for 15 or 20 research men. I have 11 working on the X-ray and crystal problem. The institution is a most charming old place, full of interest. In the cellars are the rooms where Davy and Faraday worked. Faraday used to lock up his precious apparatus in a cupboard when he had to go away, and to put seals on the doors. Cupboard and seals are still there. There is his first induction magnet; and a few drops of his bicarburetted hydrogen, and a few drops of benzine, are held in a little glass tube in the same case. We are to celebrate his discovery of benzene next year. It is so very interesting to wander round and see these and many other things."

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GOVERNMENT BURSARIES.

The Minister of Education has awarded Government bursaries to the undermentioned candidates, subject to the production of satisfactory proof of age:—

- Archibald Henry Peake Bursary.—Magdalene H. Dorsch, Adelaide High School (arts).
- Government Bursaries.—Hilmer C. Wight, Adelaide High (engineering); Irene B. Rogers, Adelaide High (arts); Johannes E. Kindler, Adelaide High (engineering); Ena B. F. Orrook, Adelaide High (arts); Mary M. Frost, St. Peter's Collegiate Girls' (arts); Gordon A. Cowlin, Prince Alfred College (engineering); Effie W. Deland, Girton House (science); Sheila L. Maddeford, Convent of Mercy, Angas-street (law); George V. Galslaw, Christian Brothers' College (law); Alexander O. McPherson, Adelaide High (engineering); John G. Goldsworthy, Adelaide High (arts).

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At a meeting of the Medical Board on Thursday afternoon the following were registered as legally qualified Medical Practitioners of South Australia:—Dowling, Donald Augustus, Howard, Geoffrey Hardman, Cowling, Lionel Deucalion, all M.B., B.S., Adelaide, 1923. The additional qualification of M.S., Adelaide 1923, was added to the name of Philip Santo Mesent.

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UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN UNION.

A number of student delegates who have been attending the conference of the University Christian Union held in Adelaide during the past week, returned to Sydney and Melbourne by the Melbourne express on Friday afternoon. A party of members of the Adelaide University Christian Union was on the station to wish them good-bye. The remainder of the interstate delegates will return home during the next few days.

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NEW JUDGE

TWO BARRISTERS MENTIONED

Messrs. Napier and Isbister



Mr. J. M. Napier, K.C.

Opinion in legal circles is almost unanimous that a successor to the late Sir John Gordon as judge of the Supreme Court will come from Mr. W. J. Isbister, K.C., and Mr. J. M. Napier, K.C.

Typical Scotsman, and endowed with the characteristics of a race that has produced so many eminent lawyers, Mr. J. Melias Napier, K.C., is in the front rank of the profession. A sound lawyer, he takes infinite pains in the preparation of his cases, and he presents his arguments in well-ordered, logical, and lucid fashion. Mr. Napier is a master in the economy of words. He has the gift of incisiveness of speech, and for cogent reasoning in equity practice he is a model. If as is anticipated he steps up to the Judicial Bench shortly he will find ample scope for the exercise of talents which have gained him an Australian reputation.

Mr. Napier was born at Dunbar, Scotland, in 1862, and is the third son of Dr. Leith Napier. He went to the City of London School until he left in 1888 for South Australia. He was articled to the late Mr. U. C. Kingston, who was responsible for the then Premier for bringing out Dr. Napier as one of the surgeons of the Adelaide Hospital at the time of the dispute in that institution. Mr. Napier took his LL.B. degree at the Adelaide University. He joined Mr. A. J. McLachlan in partnership. Later he became a member of the firm of Glyn, Parsons, and McEwin, who subsequently amalgamated with the old-established firm of Baker & Barclay.