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Erotics and Erratics.

WHEN the unfortunate Mr. Madigan landed his motley geology contingent at Hallett's Cove on Saturday, the sheep (and any other residents in sight) ran for miles; an inauspicious beginning.

(After the usual address, devilered a la Mark Antony, from a stile, the intrepid lecturer conducted the crowd to the cliffs and politely showed them how to extract ancient oysters from limestone,

One retained the oysters, but deposited all spare limestone on certain fastidious females changing their shoes beneath, and then bolted after the dear man, who said he knew a place where one could find such sweet sand crystals, just like peach-stones.

Of course everyone was thrilled with the idea of anything resembling peaches. Some trod on obliging stones and were precipitated into the sand crystal beds. Others stuck to more orthodox methods, crawling on hands and knees, while several came to rest in the mud below a small waterfall (?).

At this juncture several enterprising young women decided to hold an afternoon-tea party, much to the disgust of those who weren't invited. But these latter had their reward in the sight of a charming little sandhill which was noted for the two erratics it contained, and, for the moment, graced by the two erotics surmounting it.

It must have been pleased to think, one is sure, that one of them was a St. Mark's man.

When the aforesaid erotics had finished their turn on the hill, a party of rest to rush up and down creek beds Engineers entertained the company with and tear off lumps of "Cadbury's their tumbling and sliding feats—half chocolate." the thrill was, of course, in wondering how much longer their clothing would heard to declare as it ran to the station. stand the strain.

More on the Red Theme.

The letter last week about the outbreak of red jumpers among the Varsity women has brought two indignant replies. Here they are:-

Sir, it was with some amusement That I read your letter through. What offered the inducement? What prompted you to woo The just wrath of the owners Of the various kinds of reds? (And, by the way, the onus Is scarcely borne by Meds.).

In dressing with distinction We are far behind, we know. In fact we're at extinction When the fascinating beau Dons his clothes of many colours, Not outrageous, too subdued. Indeed, his clothes are dull as Women's jumpers are bright-hued

Do we touch upon a canker If we mentioned herd-like pride In sameness? Don't you hanker Now and then for brighter hide? Departure from your uniform Is recognized taboo: Your initiative's a puny form Of such. Dear sir, adieu.

Men can with impunity use Ties of multitudinous hues, But the things that are said When a woman wears red Are enough to give you the blues!

explained the geological features of the country to the two people listening, he set off towards the station, leaving the

The major portion of the class was "It's just as well this excursion is Meanwhile, when Mr. Madigan had described in Howchin, don't you htink?"

Varsity A Lacrosse Team Covers Itself with Glory.

VET another scalp to the A Lacrosse team; and no mean scalp either. The hitherto unbeaten North Adelaide club at last found defeat on the Varsity Oval last Saturday.

The play was fast throughout, and the exhibition in the first half has probably not been surpassed in any match this season. Varsity took the lead in the first quarter, and led 2—1. Norths then equalized, and took the lead for a few minutes, when the scores were again equalized, three all being the half-time scores.

In the first half of the third quarter Varsity were all over Norths, and at the final change had a three-goals lead. The last quarter was rather scrambling, Norths pressing hard without avail. Varsity eventually won 6-3.

The whole team played well. The combination between the backs and defences was like clockwork. Cook. whom we must congratulate on his selection for the carnival team, was under constant notice, and scored three good goals, whilst Rollison, also in the forward line, made many effective assaults on the goal.

Galloway combined well with the other forwards, his passing being snappy and Bonnin showed improvement, and, with Watson, needed constant watching. Muecke had the better of the centre play, having the call over Hyde—the State centre man all day.

Davis and L. Ewens, on defence, played like champions, being always on the spot when needed. Davis's interceptions were a feature of the match. So was Arthur Turner's barracking

The Interstate forward, Flaver (North), could manage only one goal—Ken Boykett, his opponent, playing his best game for the season. The other backs. and Darkins, proved defenders. Jack, in goal and relieving, gave one of his best displays for the

Varsity are now certain to be in the semi-finals.

Hockey Women in the Stronghold of the Hills.

To Blackwood's stronghold in the hills, went the Varsity women on Saturday, fresh as antirrhinums, after three weeks' enforced rest, and with vows of vengeance on their lips.

In the first half the battle was even,

neither side scoring, although Black-

wood nearly did.

In the second half J. Pellew scored from a break-away from the forwards, and Varsity were in front. But, alas! Fate could not for ever withhold her smile from Blackwood, and at last they And thus ended the match. scored. One all.

Our priceless goalie, P. Richardson, was a marvel to behold, at one moment sinking gracefully on the ground, at the next (or to be exact, 314 minutes later) throwing her stick after a miserable ball which threatened to go where it shouldn't. What promised to be a dangerous onrush was effectively stopped by one player falling on the ball and keeping it well hid.

Apart from losing sight of our friends at various intervals, because of the hilly nature of the battle-ground, we really enjoyed our visit to the country.

University B drew with Heathpool,

University B1 beat Heathpool, 3—2.

Mr. Cyril Gibbs, of the V.L.A., who refereed the match on Saturday, gives us every chance to win the intervarsity.

Goalthrowers.—Cook (3), Rollison (2), Bonnin (1).

B's v. Sturt. Eight all. This match was ovreshadowed by the exciting A match on the other side of the oval. Varsity scored one goal because the whole of the two teams, with three exceptions, were calmly surveying the

A match. Goalthrowers.—J. Ewens (3). Gillet

(2), Pedler (2), Scales (1).

Best Players.—J. Ewens, Harbison, and Pedler.

Won by C1, 10-3. C1 v. C2. Goalthrowers.—C1 — Luxmore (5),Colebatch (3), Morgan (2). Dawson (2), Russell (1).

Two Baseball Victories:

TWO baseball wins on Saturday. The A's beat Sturt 4—1, and the B's beat Goodwood Ramblers 12—8. In the first round, the corresponding matches were both lost. Both teams are now in the first four of their respective grades.

The A's played their best game for some time, the standard of play being higher in almost all departments of the

game.

We started well with two in our first imnings, mainly the result of a couple of walks. Sturt scored their one run in their fourth on a wild throw to third base. We then added two more, and in our eighth innings a further two runs were scored as a result of strong batting. But these could not count, as time was called before Sturt could even the number of innings.

Dwyer was the outstanding man. He batted well and gave a fine exhibition of pitching, allowing only three safe-hits by Sturt. He was also responsible for a beautiful bunt, which brought a man

home.

The fielding was much improved. There were only three errors. Bayly's throwing from short-stop to first was very fine, whilst Dwyer, Wilcher, and Pellew were responsible for a double-play.

The cleverest bit of work was Bert Power's double-steal when we had bags full. It rattled the field, and Krantz

scored during the confusion.

Safe-hitters.—Dwyer (2), Wilcher, Bayly, and Krantz (each 1).

Krantz's hit was a three-bagger.

By their win on Saturday, the B's have gained a place in the four for the first time this season.

Their long run of wins has raised them from eighth to third place. Their success is due in great part to having "Priddy" in the team. His curve pitching on Saturday was the deciding factor in their win.

Burden batted very well, but his base-

running could be improved.

The fielding, although not up to last week's standard, was still good.

Safe-hitters.—Burden (3), Newman, Pellew, Cooper (2), Pridmore (1).

A Men's Hockey Team—Guess—Wins a Match!

AS one thinks over Saturday's Men's A Hockey match against Adelaide, one fact stands out from a confused jumble of goals, legs, and the umpire's whistle. Briefly, we won!

This needs explanation, perhaps? In all fairness we must say that several regular members of the Adelaide team were away in Perth with the interstate team.

Varsity had most of the play in the first half. The halves hed the forwards well. Barbour shot two goals, and Martin, doing well at outside-right, hit the third. The backs cleared well when necessary.

The score at half-time was 3-0, and

we were the 3.

The prospect of victory nearly proved too much for us in the second half. We added no more goals, and the opposition scored twice in ten minutes. This gave us a fright, and play was even for the rest of the game.

Final score 3—2 in favour of Varsity. At last!

Let's hope we keep on doing it.

"Half-right," now known as "Almost Normal," writes:—The B's won again on Saturday, beating Adelaide II by 2—0. As far as we could gather the regular members of the Adelaide team could not get along, so they sent their young sons To balance this we generously played with only ten men.

This disorganized our forward line, and greatly upset Dix, who has never played forward in his life before, and, after Saturday, should never be allowed

to play there again.

All the same, he hit a goal, which we can't explain away. Frayne hit our other goal.

Varsity A footballers had no match on Saturday. The B's beat Y.M.C.A., 10—8 to 7—8.

Some Assorted Moans.

correspondent makes moan in

various keys, as hereinafter expounded:—
Moan 1.—Was it the architect, or the Union Committee, or both, who had erected in our haven, the Refectory, an apparently costly, undoubtedly awkward, heavy, and dangerous, and almost absolutely unportable portable screen? Apart from its portability being almost non-existent, the cost must have been anything up to £100—far too high for such a temporary affair.

And all this expense puts the Men's Building-to-be still further into the dreamy future. A fair percentage of that money would have helped buy a piano, which is our immediate need.

Moan 2.—I believe the University Ball is held and controlled primarily by the A.U.S.A. Yes?

Last year, I believe, a single ticket to the ball cost 10/- for all undergraduates. irrespective of whether they were financial or unfinancial members of the

The small body of financial members appreciates the action of the A.U.S.A. this year in lowering the cost to 7/6; but why did it lower it for the apathetic self-interested individual who is content to prey on the privileges given others?

Moan 3.—I understand that catering for the ball has been allotted We cannot blame to an outside firm. the Union Committee, unless it is for allowing a function to be held in the Union's rooms without the Refectory staff having prior right to the catering.

As for the A.U.S.A.—the A.U.S.A. has the same end in view as the Union. They are working for a common cause. So much so that we should not be surprised to find an ardent committee member of the A.U.S.A. supporting the action of the Vigilence Officer of the Union (if such there were) in jumping on an undergrad, who habitually bought his midday eats in the city. Yet here we see the A.U.S.A. itself purchasing its nocturnal eats in the city.

did its darnedest to get catering be reaped by an outside firm.

Great Night for Buds.

TO-NIGHT'S the night when those 300 sweet A.T.C. buds will burst into song. Such buds too-in a colourful scheme of blacks and whites cunningly introduced in frocks, suits, ties, and feet. And as for the songs—superb, dash it, superb!

This will also be the dramatic accasion of the bursting of three tender flowers into three stout elocutionary efforts.

Yet another genus will put forth the flowers of dance. We refrain from describing the wild beauty of their gipsy attire or the chaste simplicity of their classic robes, but the effect is absolutely ravishing.

This blossoming will be accompanied by exceptionally good orchestral music. What more could mortal man desire? Mortal man answers, "Naught!"

So come to the Teachers' College concert in the Town Hall at 8 o'clock to-night.

rights for the Refectory staff, but that some of its ardent co-workers in organizing the ball drowned the voices of the A.U.S.A. itself, which plumped for the Goodalls.

But—who is running the show, anyway? If it is the A.U.S.A.'s ball, why doesn't it set definite rules and ask its sub-committees to abide by them?

Into the many and varied functions in which the Goodalls have been asked to assist this year, they have entered with the keenest spirit of co-operation, and done admirably.

Besides, they can cater for all persons and bodies. They have not yet had a chance to display their best wares. That, of course, depends on price. They can supply the same menu as out-

side firms for the same price.

More than that—the Refectory belongs to the students. The profits of the Refectory go into the coffers of the Union. Will they hold no more?

We, as students and members of the The A.U.S.A. will probably say that it Union, have a right to the profit now to

Who's Who in the Law School.

[No. 2.]

A N Irishman. Need one say more? His Fenian (some say fiendish) propensities find an outlet in the formation of super-secret societies, amongst which the Onion Club may be noted. Quaere, the Mustard Club?

Is reputed to be witty, and, indeed, his powers of speech are infectious, but apt to be a trifle incoherent. His corpus indicates quantity rather than quality—a typical steam-roller to which the law attributes a fictitious human personality. We fear that he will be fined one of these days for parking in King William Street at night.

Although not a sailor, he is suspected of being the inventor of the well-known waves, and has many nautical characteristics—notably the gait and the capacity. The analogy may be continued ad lib. His sense of navigation inclines him to the belief that there is a fundamental error in making buildings square instead of round—his main contention being that the Treasury and the G.P.O., in particular, have far too many sharp corners.

He has a great admiration for the French.

He vehemently denies that he was the proximate cause of the recent earthquakes in New Zealand, but there is evidence that his fairy footsteps were felt in Brisbane a year or so ago.

A bitter foe of the pecuniary system of mulct employed by our leading institutions, as e.g., the Zoo and the Asylum. Is often to be seen in the Traffic Court—in fairness, not always on his own account.

Pubs: local and interstate.

(Note.—The learned compiler intended this to be one of a series of 40, but regrets to state that, on closer consideration, there is nobody else in this School —or, for that matter, in any other School —worthy of note.)

ANON.

Less Hectic Times with the Meds.

By our Medical Correspondent.

LEST a wrong impression get about,
we must state that it will not
always be possible to head these Med.
notes with large capitals about hectic
times. This week has been so quiet
that there is nothing worth writing
about.

The quiet is broken only by the local orchestra, which frequently meets in the Refectory and strums, bangs, or blows ccording to its several abilities. Its idea is to produce something musical for the dinner to be held at the Grosvenor on Saturday.

Now there is nothing more worth recording, except for the remarkable muscle that occurred in an arm the other day. It was medial to corachobrachialis, and interior to—but perhaps this could wait until some other time. It doesn's seem so tremendously important to the world at large, and yet that muscle, sir—.

A VARSITY CONCERT

Monday Next,

5th August.

Norwood Town Hall.

Make this the Varsity Night Out!

Fun fast and furious from Students, Teachers' College, St. Mark's College, Broadway Collegians, and others.

Plan rapidly filling at Cawthornes.

Tickets, 1/2; Reserves, 2/4.

(In aid of Intervarsity Hockey Teams.)
Sale of Sweets during Interval.

Varsity Concert on 5th August.

The Varsity Concert, to be held on Monday, 5th August, promises to be a fine show, and men and women of various faculties are beginning to show real enthusiasm. Yes, real enthusiasm. The object is to help swell the intervarsity funds for men's and women's hockey.

The usual sane and silly items will be served up. Sweets will be sold during

the interval.

At the last concert at Norwood, a small section of the audience indulged in some regrettable horseplay, which the Town Hall authorities have not forgiven, and which if it recurs at this show, will react on the proceeds of the big Varsity concert at the end of the year.

The Committee says it will not mind how much hilarity goes on, so long as it is genuinely humorous; but it trusts that students will themselves prevent any sponsibles.

The Meds.' "Know Ye Them."

Two Meds. make a contribution (and why not?) to the "Know Ye Them" column:—

(1) "According to Wood-Jones, . . ."

- (2) "You would do well to note that down prominently. . . ."
- (3) "My friend . . . a remarkable fellow. . . . "
- (4) "The net result of this was that . . . "

(5) "In other words"

(6) "Lavosier stepped in, and "

Word has come from London that Dr. Alec. Dawkins, who captained the Varsity lacrosse team last year, has been invited to attend the World Conference of the International Student Service, as one of the four Australian delegates, in Vienna at the end of July.

ungentlemanly conduct from irresponsibles.

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If We were Japanese—and Professor Wilton passed, but did not see Why Not, Anyway?

[At a recent social, Professor Sir Archibald Strong mentioned the distressing habit of failed Japanese undergrads., who, in revenge, commit a messy form of suicide upon the doorsteps of their Professors.]

THEY bleeding lay, five dying and five dead.

Ten Classics students weltering in their gore;

"Mors Janua Vitae est," he softly said-And Prof. Fitzherbert closed his study door.

"Your state is messy. At my marking fail

Some who avoid this death which seems so sore,

You might have passed next time, O corpses pale!"

Sir Achibald remarked, "Lo! here are more!"

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The lifeless students—there were quite threescore-

If x and y were equal," muttered he, "And x were three, y could not equal

Beneath a window lay six men in death, "His cruel treatment he will now deplore."

"Ah, whiffs of H2S!" said Prof. Macbeth-

His nose well held, "some Kreso I must pour."

Prof. Hancock gazed with pity as they

So picturesquely strewn upon his floor; "Thus perished Cassius," murmured William K.,

And left for Europe by his other door. OPTIMIST.

Eileen Sudholz, the Varsity basketball goalthrower, has been chosen for he interstate team.

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> G. McRitchie. Gen. Secretary.

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Have a Shot at It.

From the Rifle Club— IN spite of rumours to the contrary, we

A spite of rumours to the contrary, we should like to assure you that there really is a Rifle Club in the University. Further, there will be an intervarsity rifle match in Adelaide in May next year, and, unless we get some new members, Adelaide won't be in it, because it will have no team. This, maybe, would be to the undying credit of the University, and an everlasting tribute to the Varsity spirit which is roaming about these days. But is it all to the good that one of the oldest clubs in the University should be allowed to go out of existence? We ask you, now.

There is, as far as we can see, no real objection to joining the Rifle Club. Free rifles and ammunition are provided with loving generosity, while the Defence Department obligingly gives transportation to Port Adelaide. Besides, some find shooting extremely

interesting

We really should like to see one or two new members in the near future, as they would greatly brighten the outlook for the intervarsity. So far, the crowds and enthusiasm at practice have been mostly imaginary.

College Football A's Win by Big Margin.

ON Saturday the A College Football team completed their matches in the minor round when they defeated Scotch Old Collegians by 25—23 to 2—3.

The standard of football was only moderate, and the College team lost several opportunities through flying together and crowding the forward lines.

Riedel played a solid game for the College, and checked many of the Old Collegians' attacks. Hack was unbeaten in the packs and played effectively at half-forward, while Semple, as a shepherd and on the half-forward wing, played a good game.

McCarthy and Sullivan again had a call over their opponents, and Gale played well in his new role at centre.

The Wearing of the Gown.

ONE signing himself "Academic Dress"

pleads for the revival of the same:—Sir—I suppose no great harm will be done to the Varsity by most of the dead-letter Statutes which adorn her calendar, and the admonitions which confront the fearful candidates for Honours in the examinations.

Nevertheless, it is a pity that the Statute which orders the wearing of academic dress should remain a deadletter ornament of the Statute-book, while our halls are unadorned by the

time-honoured gown.

It is a great pity that the slackness and apathy which allowed this custom to lapse should still be with us to

militate against its revival.

Australia lacks tradition. She lacks many of the traditional social customs which add to the dignity and beauty of Age in other and happier lands. This lack is to be deplored, especially in centres of learning, where the associations of the past should be reverently fostered.

I earnestly hope that something will be done to revive the wearing of the gown.

Mr. John Horner—you know Mr. Horner—has arranged a concert to be held in the Elder Hall on Thursday, 1st August, to raise funds for the A.S.C.M. Plans are at Marshall's. Tickets, 2/6 and 2/-, may be obtained there, from the front office or from Mr. Greenland. Artists will include Madame Carys Davies-Denton, Mr. Harold Denton, Mrs. E. Savage, Mr. and Mrs. John Horner, and others. Greenland.

The Varsity A basketball team has only the semi-finals (we hope to get that far) and final to play. The team is second. The semi-finals will be played on A.T.C. courts next Saturday. Varsity will play Y.W.C.A. Dauntless Come and cheer us on.

Downs and Byass (seven goals each) and Batt (5), were the most conspicuous among the forwards. Rabone, Yeates, Hayes, and Eyers played their usual solid games, and Neill roved well.