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Professor W. Lowrie (ex-Director of Agriculture) has resigned his seat on the Senate of the Adelaide University, and nominations to fill the vacancy are being invited. The appointment will be made at a meeting on July 22.

WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.
A Lecture will be delivered by Professor G. V. PORTUS on WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, at 8 p.m., in the Prince of Wales Theatre, University. Subject—"How the First English Workers Lost Their Liberty." Admission Free. Students of proposed Tutorial Classes particularly invited. President of Council will preside.
185,8 T. B. MERRY, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION LECTURES
Mr. W. Howchin will deliver the second lecture in the course on the "Lost rivers of South Australia" at the Adelaide University this evening. The special aspect of the subject that will be dealt with in this lecture will be the "Dead rivers of South Australia." It will be explained how rivers may not only grow old but become "dead." Special attention will be directed to the importance of the MacDonnell Ranges in the past geographical development of the Australian continent and their present decadent condition. The main channels by which the great continental rivers (now dead) reached the southern coast will be shown on the map, and the evidences for their former existence demonstrated by lantern views. Special attention will be given to such evidences of this kind as are found in the southern parts of the State, where they can be most conveniently studied. How South Australia came to suffer the loss of these great rivers will be shown to have arisen from the development in recent times of a new watershed, which has isolated the central portions of Australia from the coast.

Conservatorium Students' Concert.
Students of the Elder Conservatorium gave a successful concert in the Elder Hall on Monday evening, under the direction of Professor Ennis, Mus. Doc., and assisted by Mr. Harold S. Parsons, Mus. Bac. The contralto solo, "A summer night" (Goring-Thomas), sung by Miss Winifred Lewis, was one of the gems of the programme, and other special items were the tastefully rendered bracketed violin solos by Miss Sylvia Whittington, A.M.U.A., "Serenade" (Pierne), and "Canzonetta (d'Ambrosio); the pianoforte rhapsody (Liszt's No. 10), by Miss Lalia d'Arcy Irvine, A.M.U.A., and the Haydn recit. and aria from the "Creation," "And God created man" and "In native worth," which were well interpreted by Mr. Leslie Martin (Elder scholar). A fine performance also was the trio in A minor for pianoforte, violin, and violoncello, Op. 50 (Tschimikowsky), given by Miss Ruby Davy, Mus. Bac., Miss Sylvia Whittington, and Mr. Harold Parsons. Other contributions were:—Pianoforte solo, "Variations" (op. 34, Beethoven), Miss Lillian Barbour; song, "My resting place" (Schubert), Miss Una Andrew; violin solo, "Adagio" (Ries), Miss J. G. Stevens; song, "Serenade" (Schubert), Mr. Harold Gard; pianoforte solo, "Ballade" (op. 8, X. Scharwenka), Miss Muriel Tucker; songs, a. "Der Schmied" (Brahms), b. "Oh, what comes over the sea" (Celeridge Taylor), Miss Ivy Powell; and the song, "Silent moon" (Vaughan Williams), Miss Vida Sutton.

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THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

The lamentable series of startling misfortunes which have so swiftly befallen the Chief Justice have naturally awakened throughout the community the keenest sympathy with him in his great suffering. They have also impressed again upon the public mind the real force of the paradoxical saying that the things in life which may most confidently be expected to happen are the things which on appearances are practically certain never to happen at all. In the case of Sir

Samuel Way the changes which the last few weeks have brought are not less tragic than they would, at the beginning of that period, have seemed to be incredible. "A bolt from the blue," "a sudden massing of black clouds in a clear sky"—these and kindred similes are suggested by the facts. No later than April 18 last two of the most prominent figures on the platform of the ball in which His Excellency the Governor and Lady Galway were ceremoniously welcomed to South Australia were Sir Samuel Way and Lady Way. Although the Lieutenant Governor then showed some slight physical signs of his advanced age, his mental powers were noticeably as bright as ever, and his part in the formalities was taken with characteristic verve. Lady Way, too, seemed hearty and vigorous. Yet less than a month afterwards the wife was suddenly struck down by death, and now the husband has been doomed—until the last few days quite unexpectedly—to undergo an operation which, even to a younger man, would have been serious, and to one who is in his 79th year, and has just passed through a long and enfeebling illness is naturally attended by still greater gravity.

The Chief Justice, however, is endowed with much fortitude and strong will-power; and there may well be more than the customary conventions of goodwill to support the hope and the opinion that, as he rallied satisfactorily from his severe ordeal on Monday, he may continue to progress towards renewed health and strength, and spend many more happy and useful years. On the whole, his career in South Australia of two-thirds of a century has been singularly serene and fortunate, with few heavy sorrows and no staggering vicissitudes, but with successful achievement noted on all its course and all the time; and the accumulation of troubles when the sun of life is—by the calculation of men—approaching the western horizon must appear by comparison to be the heavier and the more crushing on account of the earlier immunity from them. But Sir Samuel's spirit has risen to the occasion. In the light of subsequent events it would be difficult to exaggerate the courage which he displayed when, less than a week ago, he took his accustomed place on the Supreme Court Bench, and quietly performed his duties when he was fully aware of the fact that he stood under the shadow of a possible and even probable disaster. One supreme test of a strong man is said to be his philosophical calm when powerful griefs do everything but overpower him; and in the circumstances of the Chief Justice's departure from Adelaide, under a cloud of sad forebodings, there was more than a little which was inspiring, with much which was melancholy and pathetic.

**THE CHIEF JUSTICE.
OPERATION IN SYDNEY.
HIS LEFT ARM
AMPUTATED.**

His Honor the Chief Justice (Sir Samuel Way) was operated upon by Sir Alexander MacCormick, the eminent Sydney surgeon, on Monday morning. Sir Alexander and Dr. Jenkins, another leading medical man, held a consultation on Sunday, and came to the conclusion that the amputation of Sir Samuel Way's left arm at the shoulder was imperative, as the source of trouble was located in that portion of the arm. His Honor had gone to Sydney to consult Sir Alexander MacCormick, realising the possibility that it would be deemed necessary that he should allow his arm to be removed, so that he was prepared for the verdict of the surgeons after they had made a careful diagnosis. Arrangements were made for the operation to be performed early on Monday morning, and later in the day telegrams were received in Adelaide stating that Sir Samuel Way had undergone the operation, and was bearing up extremely well. Last night our Sydney correspondent telegraphed that the patient was progressing as satisfactorily as could be expected in the circumstances. The reassuring character of the news was yesterday in Adelaide, and will be to-day throughout South Australia, a source of general joy.

SYMPATHY OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

The following correspondence has passed between his Honor the Chief Justice and representatives of the South Australian legal profession:—

Most Honored and Dear Chief Justice—At the request of the whole of the legal profession of South Australia, as well as on our own initiative, we wish to express to you our admiration of the pride and manliness which has made you continue your judicial and numerous public duties when your failing health made rest imperative. You are now, we understand, leaving us for a brief time to seek medical aid and health, in another State, and we only write to assure you that you will take with you our love, respect, and esteem, and our fervent hope that under God's providence you will shortly return well and strong, and once more give the State the benefit of your eminent powers and experience.—We are, dear Chief Justice, yours most respectfully and affectionately, H. Homburg (Attorney-General), John W. Downer, Paris Nesbit, Eustace B. Grundy, C. J. Dashwood, A. W. Piper, E. Erskine Cleland.

Dear Mr. Attorney—I am much touched and comforted by the letter signed by you and all of his Majesty's counsel now in South Australia on behalf of the whole of the legal profession here, conveying to me their generous expressions of confidence and affection. On the advice of the medical men under whose care I have been, I am proceeding to Sydney to ascertain if anything can be done to relieve what I am suffering from. I shall be grateful indeed if the course adopted there proves successful and enables me once more to resume my judicial work. Should this not be the case, I know that my good friends of the profession will not cease to remember me kindly and indulgently. The support I have received from them has, for many years, made my tenure of judicial office the great happiness of my life.—Believe me, my dear Mr. Attorney, yours faithfully, S. J. Way.