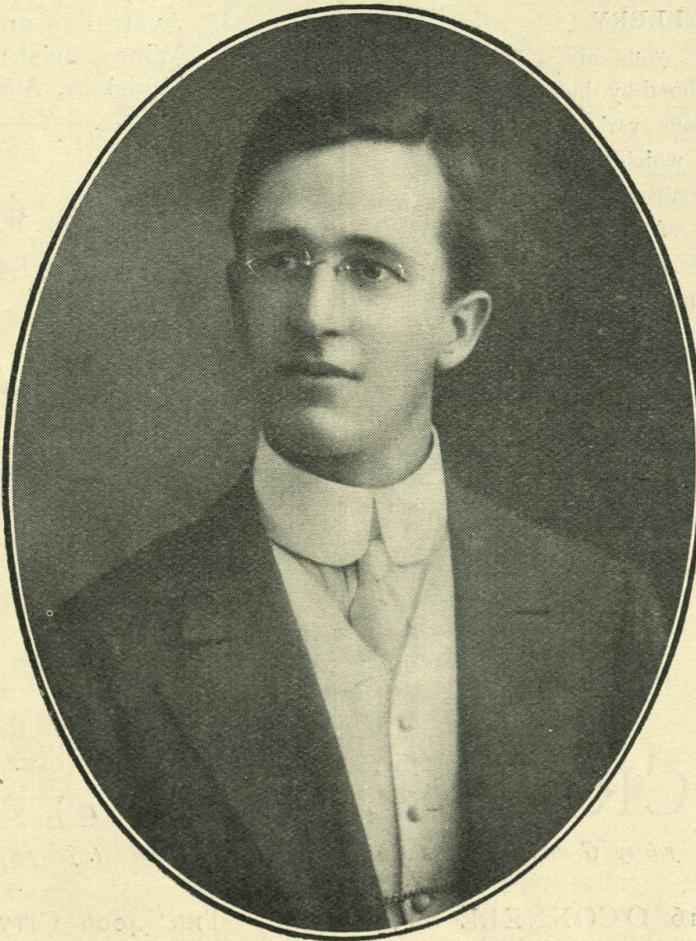


In presenting the photo. of ALPHONSE H. CRAWLEY, solicitor, to our readers, we are pleased to make known to those Old Boys that have not the pleasure of his acquaintance, that some years ago, when the Union was but still in its swaddling bands, he held the office of secretary to it, and did Trojan work in helping it to grow up strong and healthy. The Union is to be congratulated on its secretaries; in the long line of these almost all worked during their term of office with the greatest zeal and diligence. Alphonse is to be classed as among the best of them. After completing his legal studies, Alphonse was admitted to the legal profession in Nov., 1901, and decided to commence practice in Sydney, which he did in March of the following year. A better opening offering in Kempsey, he took up his abode there in February, 1903. In one brief year he had discovered Kempsey to be too pacific, hence he returned to sinful and quarrelsome Sydney in 1904. As city life did not suit his constitution, he had to forego dollar-making, and seek health in the country at Young, May, 1905. There his practice grew so great that he had to go in for long office hours. After 18 months' hard work his medical advisers ordered him to give up all office work; this was in May, 1906. Thinking that squatting life would best benefit his health, he purchased Trungley Station, near Barmedman, and spent four solid and happy years in grazing and farming pursuits, steadily increasing his fortune. Having recovered health and strength, he once more took up the more congenial work of his profession. In 1910 he returned to Junee,



MR. ALPHONSE H. CRAWLEY, SOLICITOR.

and commenced to re-rake in the legal shekels. In September of that year he had the enviable luck of persuading a charming young lady, Miss E. M. Marshall, to share his fortunes. He has thriven much since that happy event. To-day there is no man better known in Junee than Alphonse. Doubtless he had a good start in acquiring publicity, for his father was reputed to own old Junee, but Alphonse's merits have much improved upon the start. Nothing can be done in Junee without his co-operation direct or indirect. He is hon. secretary and treasurer to the Belgian Relief Fund, and also to the Australia Day Fund. He has to deal with formidable committees of ladies; these contain about fifty members. As nothing of importance, and very little of non-importance, can be done without consulting the secretary, one can imagine what a busy time the committee ladies give him; all money collections are to be paid into him—another onerous trouble, though not without its compensations. On looking at Alphonse's photo. one perceives that he has the unfortunate advantage of so gracious a presence that no lady would readily forego the pleasure of interviewing him on business. Not content with his secretarial and treasury work, he went into the histrionic line to help patriotic funds. He ambitiously staged "The Private Secretary" for "Australia Day" evening, and furthermore coached all the "dramatis personæ." Though having but three weeks' preparation for this, he succeeded in securing a crowded house, and an overflow that had to content itself with the glowing eulogies of the performance by the

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fortunates that witnessed it. Alphonse is now one of the country vice-presidents of the Old Boys' Union. We had the pleasure of listening to a most genial and loyal speech of his on the occasion of the last Old Boys' dinner in Sydney. Alphonse had been appointed, conjointly with the eloquent and politically active Miss O'Sullivan, to represent Junee at the great Catholic Federation meeting in Sydney last Easter; hence he came to Sydney under the charge of this lady.

We could easily cover the best part of this magazine by mentioning the Junee movements in which he is a prominent participator, but we spare his modesty. He is a generous donor to the Sergeant Larkin Bursary Fund. On forwarding a first handsome instalment to this fund he promised to increase his donation to £20 and more, if necessary.

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Since the last edition of the "Cerise and Blue" there has passed away MR. CHARLES REGAN, of Tamworth, one of the most prominent citizens of that progressive town. He was uncle-in-law to Arthur Riley, who recently left the College. By Mr. Regan's death, Arthur's father, Mr. J. A. Riley, has become governing director of the firm, which is now a limited liability company. This is a great responsibility, and it is very probable that Arthur and Jack will have some slight share of it. Father Mullins used the superlative when speaking of Arthur as a model Catholic. Arthur works hard in the interest of every movement that he joins in with; he is an especially active member of the Catholic Club.

We present a photo. of TED LARKIN'S eldest son. Those who knew Ted will notice a striking resemblance in feature, and a suggestion of Ted's facial expression. We hope to be able to chronicle many good things in future pages of the *C. and B.* of this son of a worthy sire.

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NOEL KEATING, of Bateman's Bay, has made a mark for himself in church doings in his district. Of course, the parish was suffering from the invariable complaint—debt, and the Rev. Father Cassidy, parish priest, and Rev. Father O'Connell asked Noel to organise a bazaar to increase the "sinews of war." Noel went one better; he added a race meeting to the bazaar, the former taking place on St. Patrick's Day. A huge success resulted, not only did the takings completely wipe out the debts, but even a credit balance remained, which was banked against further trouble. The war frustrated Noel's plans for his future, but he is steadily fitting himself for something else he has in view in the near future.

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TED LARKIN, JUNIOR.

We have much pleasure in congratulating A. R. J. WATT, barrister-at-law, on having attained a distinction, which is the first of its kind secured by an O.B. of S.J.C. Andy was appointed Acting-Judge for one of the circuits. This is evidently the prelude to his being raised to the Bench in the near future. Though he appreciates the honour that has been conferred on him, still Andy is not too keen on accepting the permanent position, for he can make far more money at the Bar than his salary as judge would amount to.