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A SLIGHT dent in the macho image of the Mountain Cattle-men's Association of Victoria, bespoke deliverer of votes for conservative causes, occurred recently when the executive officer Graeme Stoney limped into a Melbourne seminar. Said an observer: "I suppose you sustained your injury while riding a mountain-bred steed down a precipitous hillside, its hooves striking fire from the flintstones every stride, before your pal-frey thrust a leg into a wombat hole, thus propelling you from the saddle and into the alpine flora, the future of which is the subject of debate between your organisation and the Government of Victoria?"

"Nah," said Mr Stoney. "Got kicked by a sheep."