

Humorous Department.

Doing unto Others.—He was a large, pompous man, who announced himself as being from Chicago, and during his stay in the small town he made him self particularly obnoxious around the hotel. He had been especially frank in telling the porter what he thought of him. On the last morning of his stay he called the porter and said: "Get me two parlor-car seats for Chicago, and meet me at the station with the tickets. I want one to sit in and one to put my feet on."

Not the Only Pecker.—The teacher had noticed the striking friendship that had grown up between Harold and Elsie, two of her little pupils. Harold would not study, and she saw that unless he did he would not be promoted. Accordingly she said to him one day: "You must study harder, Harold, or you will not pass the examination. And how would you like to stay back in this class another year and have little Elsie go ahead of you?" "Aw, all right," replied Harold, "I guess there'll be other little Elsies."

He Was Unanimously Elected.—When the term of the old negro preacher had expired he arose and said: "Brethren, de time am heah fo' de delection ob yo' pastoh for anudder yea. All dese fabarin' me fo' yo' pastor will please say 'Aye.'" "The old preacher had made himself rather unpopular and there was no response. "He," he said, "silence gib consent allus. I'es yo' pastoh fo' anudder yea."

How the Dog Felt.—A boy was coming back from his shooting trip, looking rather dejected. "Not much luck, hey?" asked a man "Shoot anything at all?" "Shoot my dog," laconically answered the boy. "Shoot your dog?" repeated the man. "Was he mad?" "Well," answered the boy, "he didn't seem particularly pleased."

Wasn't She Right?—The lesson in natural history had been about the rhinoceros, and the teacher wanted to know how well the lesson had been learned. "Now, name something," she said, "that is very dangerous to get near to and that has horns." "I know, teacher, I know!" called little Annie Jones. "Well, Annie, what is it?" "An automobile."

What He Had Better Do.—MacPherson, in talking to his minister, told the reverend gentleman that he was going to take a trip to the Holy Land. "And while I'm there," he said enthusiastically, "I'll read the Ten Commandments aloud from the top of Mount Sinai." "No, MacPherson," said the minister gravely, "tak' my advice. Dinna read them aloud. Bide at home and keep them."

He Got It for Nothing.—"Some guys ain't got no heart," said the tramp to his pal. "Here I bin a-tellin' dat feller dat I wuz so flat broke dat I had ter sleep outdoors." "Aw, didn't dat bring nuttin'?" asked his friend. "Now, he told me he wuz doin' de same thing, and besides he had ter pay de doctor fur tellin' him to do it."

In Time to Stop It.—"So your father went to the war after all, Freddie?" "Yes, sir." "The war must have been nearly over by the time he reached France." "Well, he got there just in time to stop it," Yankers Statesman.

It Is Delightfully Wicked.—Lois—I thought you had become rather tired of dancing. Dorothy—I had. But I've been reading what the clergymen have been saying against it, and I had no idea how delightfully wicked it is.—Judge.

For Appearance Sake.—One day Pat appeared on the street with a huge tear in his coat sleeve. "Look here, Pat," protested a friend, "why don't you get that hole mended?" "Not Ol, nor," said Pat; "a hole may be the result of an accident, but a patch is a sure sign of poverty."

An Exception.—"Happiness," declared the philosopher pompously, "is only the pursuit of something, not the catching of it." "Oh, I don't know," answered the plain citizen. "Have you ever chased the last car on a rainy night?"

How It Read.—At a recent wedding the bride was Miss Jane Helper and the bridegroom was Mr. Newton Lord. The bridegroom, however, was very angry when he saw in the newspaper an account of the wedding, headed in the usual way: "Lord—Helper."

What Can't be Cured.—"Ah!" said the visitor; "this village boasts of a choral society, I understand." "No," said the resident, "we don't boast of it—we endure it with resignation."

Recently Decided.—"He—Phyllis is a decided blonde, isn't she?" "Her friend—Yes, but she only decided last week."—London Bughy.

EXPERIMENTIA DOCET

Former Candidate for Governor Sings of Cotton Picking.

Remember John B. Adger Mullally who ran for governor some time since when things were rather warm on the hustings in South Carolina? Mr. Mullally no longer seeks the gubernatorial chair but is engaged in farming at Pendleton which is in Anderson county. The cotton crop is good in Anderson county but Mr. Mullally knows by experience that it isn't easy to pick. Hear him: Gentle reader did you ever make the truly big endeavor To pick a bale of cotton by yourself? If you have you'll know as I do that There isn't any dido. You can cut this side of inferno that it puts not on the shelf.

Head down, the blood goes pouring to the brain and there's a sounding. As is Niagara roaring, thunder-toned; Each leg's an aching tendon and your back has got a bend on Like earth-supporting Atlas as he groaned. When you know a "hundred" surely you have picked since morning early You go and hang your pickings on the scales, And lo! a measly 30 or maybe not quite 40 Is all the weight you read—and reason fails!

And, oh, the morning after!—It may move you to laughter But I can only raise a sickly grin; Sore as a boil all over, every ache a jumping rover From foot to calf to thigh to spine—your agony's a sin!

Yes, 'tis the farmer does the labor; during peace he feeds his neighbor; And when war his country threatens to destroy He defends her!—He's the fellow who is never, never yellow; Peace or war, he's staunch and steady—purest gold without a trace of base alloy!

And if some rich politician with a self-imposed "high mission" Talking smugly of the farmer's holding out for prices high Could be compelled to, with his wife and children also, Just try to pick one bale of cotton you would hear a different cry!

Talk about your fees to lawyers, to doctors or bone-sawyers! Why I tell you where they "earn" a hundred "bones." By an hour maybe of "labor," their cotton picking neighbor Ought to have for the same time at work ten thousand diamond stones!

For (I beg your pardon ladies) I do not believe in Hades There can be a stunner more dreadful or more dire Than to pick a crop eternal while barks an imp infernal "If you can't pick full six hundred, in a day, for you the fire!"

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Items of Interest from All Sections of South Carolina. —Major Harold L. Bryson, formerly billeting officer, Camp Jackson, Columbia, committed suicide in his rooms at the officers club at Camp Jackson, Friday. He was a native of Marengo, Iowa.

—John L. Blackwood who lives in the Wilkesville section of Cherokee county was arrested last week by Sheriff Thomas of Cherokee county charged with operating an illicit distillery. He gave bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of the court of general sessions for Cherokee.

—A jury in the Richland county court of common pleas on Friday returned a verdict of \$3,000 against James L. Hanahan and a verdict of \$2,000 against K. C. Hardin in favor of C. C. Shaw, administrator. Lenwood Shaw, 12 years old, was killed on the night of October 6, 1917, in Columbia. He was standing on the curb by a wagon when a motor car struck the vehicle, another machine running into the wreck. Hanahan was charged with driving the car that hit the vehicle and it was alleged that Hardin's machine ran over the boy's leg. The lad died shortly after the collision. Hanahan and Hardin were made defendants in the complaint and the plaintiff sued for \$50,000.

—The Marion Star says that two barrels of mash, ready to be distilled into liquor, were found in the Marion chaingang camp, and comments as follows: "County officers were liberally thunderstruck when they found the two barrels, and of course immediately started an investigation. As a result of that investigation we understood that Mr. Lupo, who has been foreman of the gang for a long time, has resigned and has been succeeded by Mr. Bridgeman, late "speed cop" for the town of Marion. No arrests have been made in the matter, although there seems to be ample grounds. If men are allowed to make liquor in the camp of the county chaingang we think it is foolish to try to keep men from making it away out in the swamps or the mountains, or the city halls. If men are not to be prosecuted because at the time of the offense they hold some position of trust, thus bringing embarrassment to other officials, it will certainly pay all law-breakers to try to get public jobs and then avoid prosecution."

—There will be no price fixing in regard to fertilizer ingredients for the

SOLDIERS' INSURANCE

Hardly Fifty Per Cent Are Continuing the Protection

THERE ARE SIX PERMANENT FORMS

Effort Being Made to Have Men Apply for Reinstatement—Majority of York County Soldiers Have Dropped Their Policies.

That hardly one-half the York county men who served in the recent world war and who took government insurance have retained the same is the opinion of well informed insurance men of York county and other observers interviewed by The Enquirer. Insurance agents, the most of them at any rate in York county have advised the men to retain the insurance when their advice has been asked; but most of the returned lads are showing no interest in the matter and have allowed their policies to lapse.

A certain percentage of the veterans of the world war are keeping up their government insurance. In order to reach those who temporarily have allowed their insurance to lapse, the bureau of war risk insurance has organized a voluntary field force which will endeavor to conserve as much as possible of the nearly \$40,000,000,000 of insurance carried by men in the service. This nation wide field force consists of organizations interested in the welfare of soldiers, sailors and marines, among them, the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., War Camp Community Service, W. of C. and other associations. In addition, the voluntary services of more than 50,000 life insurance agents have been enlisted. The volunteer roll further includes thousands of bankers, doctors, lawyers, manufacturers, other business men and representatives of all associations which come in contact with discharged service men and their dependents. Until recently the Bureau of War Risk Insurance was housed in 16 buildings in Washington, ranging from garages to the New National Museum. At present there are about 15,000 people who are engaged in administering this insurance of world war veterans. If the women workers of the bureau stood finger tip to finger tip, they would extend more than 13 miles. There are more than 30,000,000 individual records in the bureau, this large number being necessary in order to keep the data on every man's insurance up to date. More than five miles of files are required to hold these records. Some idea of the magnitude of \$40,000,000,000 may be gained by figures compiled by the actuarial section of the bureau showing that if this amount were in dollar bills, end to end, the line thus formed would extend to the moon more than 14 times. To July 1st there had been 17,828,145 checks mailed. If these were in a line, end for end, they would extend 2,391 miles. During the first six months of 1919, there were more than 4,000,000 letters received by the bureau. An army of correspondents is needed to take care of the great daily inflow of letters from former service men seeking information on all phases of war risk insurance. There are six permanent forms of government insurance, as follows: 1.—20 Year Endowment. 2.—30 Year Endowment. 3.—20 Payment Life. 4.—30 Payment Life. 5.—Endowment at Age 62. 6.—Ordinary Life. Applications are being received by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance for changing the present term insurance, which was issued at the time of entering the service, into the permanent forms. The government in an effort to aid every man in keeping up his war risk insurance, has made unusually liberal provisions covering reinstatement of insurance, where the former service man has allowed it temporarily to lapse. In this way every bit of insurance which has been allowed to lapse may be reinstated under the following provisions: A. The applicant must be in as good health as at the date of discharge, or at the date the insurance lapsed, if lapse occurred after discharge, and must so state in the signed application for reinstatement. B. The application must be accompanied by a remittance to pay the premium for the month of grace during which protection was provided after discharge, and for the first month on the reinstated insurance. Ten features which prominently stand out in the government policy are as follows: 1. The total permanent disability clause is granted without costs to the insured and it is free from all restrictions. 2. Government insurance does not charge its policy holders any overhead expense. 3. It contains an extremely liberal definition of disability. 4. It gives very substantial payments. 5. It contains no age restrictions. 6. It is unrestricted as to travel, residence or occupation. 7. Premiums paid in advance are refunded down to the month, in case of death. 8. The policy is non-taxable. 9. Unusually liberal cash loan, paid up insurance and extended term insurance values are included. 10. It participates in dividends. If the policy holder is unable to keep the full amount of the War Risk Insurance he carried while in the service, he may reinstate part of it from \$1,000 up to \$10,000 in multiples of \$500. Reductions may be made in multiples of \$500 to any amount, but not less than \$1,000. Premiums are

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Asked to name the oldest tune in the world, few persons could give the correct answer. It is that to which is sung the words "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and the air, which can be traced in distant Asia and Africa, as well as in most European countries, has an interesting history.

Its origin is lost in antiquity, but it is supposed to have been learned from the ancient Babylonians by the Egyptians who popularized it in Africa and Asia Minor. Arabs still sing it. The Crusaders caught the tune from their Saracen enemies, and sung it under the walls of Jerusalem. The air was ultimately carried into Europe, where it survived, in various forms, among the folk songs of the different nations.

In 1709, after their defeat at Malplaquet, the French following a false rumor of the Duke of Marlborough's death in battle, composed a satiric lament, "Mabrock Is Off to the War," detailing the supposed death and burial of the English general and the ascension of his soul to heaven. The words were sung to the old, popular air, whose lifting rhythm lent itself to the swing of the 22 verses.

Like most topical songs, this one was of short lived popularity, but in 1781 it suddenly echoed from one end of France to the other. The young Marie Antoinette gave birth to an heir, and

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the baby prince, in accordance with French custom, was placed under the care of a robust peasant foster mother. The nurse used to put her royal charge to sleep with the old son of her village home. The girl mother, began, almost unconsciously, to repeat the simple refrain and, as if by magic the song became the cradle of the day. Napoleon himself, though a halter of music, never mounded his charger to go into action, without singing a few bars of the ancient melody. The air is still popular in France, as it is in England and America, but few of the deaghboys, tommies and polus

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