

Humorous Department.

The Way to the Heart.—The Long Island bachelor was showing a friend from New York over his estate. When they reached the sheepfold, the woolly inmates, catching sight of their master, came bleating to the gate.

"See how these innocent creatures love me, Harry?" asked the landholder. "Love nothing!" chortled the city man. "They come to you because they're hungry and they think you're going to feed them."

"Harry," replied the other solemnly, "when you have reached a certain age that passes for love."

The Right Way.—"See here!" snorted an intractable Virginia judge to an old colored man whose son had been arrested for the fifth time on a charge of stealing chickens. "I'm sick of seeing your boy brought in here. Why don't you teach him how to act? Show him the right way and he won't keep coming here."

"I'm as sick as you is of seein' him here," retorted the old man. "An' what's more, I've showed him de right way. But he won't learn nothin' and he always gets caught."

Over.—Mr. Jessaway was fussy about the correct use of the English language; too fussy perhaps, and was always ready to find fault with offenders. Also he was in anything but a good temper as he sat down in his favorite restaurant.

"Give me a steak," he said, "and some corn and some baked potatoes."

"Baked potatoes are all over," said the girl.

"Oh, they're all over, huh?" snorted Mr. Jessaway. "And what are they all over?"

"With," she replied simply.

Asking Too Much.—"I don't want to eat this egg; it's not a nice egg," protested the six-year-old daughter of the house at the breakfast table.

"Mary," said her mother sternly, "you are always complaining of your food. Eat what is placed before you—every bite of it—without another word, or else I'll have to give you a good spanking."

All was quiet for some minutes. Then from the other end of the table sounded a mournful voice.

"Mother, dear, do I have to eat the back too?"

Several Little Bachelors.—Seth had been advised by his physician to cure himself of the liquor habit by taking something to eat instead of something to drink whenever he felt the craving coming on. One day he came rushing down from his hotel room to the dining room and yelled at the astonished waiter:

"My God! The man in the next room has just shot himself. I just heard the shot. For Heaven's sake bring me a double order of ham and eggs and a piece of lemon pie right away!"

Pathetic Case.—Two Irish-Americans, one of whom had never before seen Erin, were representing the United States at a convention in Dublin.

"Fifty-three years ago," declared one, "I left Ireland, a naked little boy, without a dollar in me pocket."

"The audience was greatly affected and the other decided not to be outdone.

"Until last week," he orated, "until last week, I had never set foot in the land of me birth."

What?—A Kentucky mountaineer paid his first visit to the dentist. The latter located a decayed molar, strapped the victim to the chair and proceeded to clear the cavity of small particles by employing a hand bulb. As the first blast struck the tooth the mountaineer winced perceptibly.

"Can you feel that air?" asked the dentist.

"That air what?" inquired the mountaineer.

Positive Identification.—He was newly arrived in this country and was none too familiar with the use of the telephone. So he took down the receiver and demanded:

"Aye want to talk to my wife."

Central's voice came back sweetly, "Number, please?"

"Oh," he replied, perfectly willing to help out, "she bane my second run."

Deep Stuff.—"Did you dig the dug-out for Division Headquarters according to directions?" demanded the captain of engineers.

"No, sir," required the sergeant in charge of the job. "When we got about half way down the distance required, we struck oil."

Keen Practice.—"Have you had any experience in salesmanship?" asked a sales manager of a college graduate applying for a job.

"Oh, yes," replied the other confidently. "I assisted for two years in selling the seats for the Yale-Harvard football game."

Quick Wit.—Bagger: "Why are you so sure that Lucille is clear-headed?"

Nagger: "Why, recently she accidentally drank a poison antidote, and the second she had discovered what she had done, she seized the kind of poison that went with the antidote and drank that too."

Room for Doubt.—"Where is Henry?" asked the neighbor of the lady whose husband he wanted to see.

"I'm not sure," she replied calmly. "If the ice is as thick as he thinks it is, he's skating. If it's as thin as I think it is, he's swimming."

WOMEN MAY MARRY

Postmaster General Hays Says Postal Employees Will Not Lose Rights.

Postmaster General Hays has decided that a woman postal employe does not change her status nor lose any rights in the service, by marriage.

Heretofore when an unmarried woman, holding the position of postmaster, married she was obliged to secure a new appointment; execute a new bond, or pass the required civil service examination in competition with other candidates seeking the office, if she had not previously taken such an examination. When the competition was keen it has happened that the woman was below three of the other candidates and lost the office. Under the new ruling this cannot happen as the woman postmaster will continue to hold the office without a re-appointment or another examination.

Similar controversies have arisen all over the country when women are employed in the public service, particularly in schools, where it has frequently been held that women who marry forfeit their positions as teachers. The ruling of Postmaster General Hays will set a precedent in the federal service and will no doubt have an important effect in establishing for women the full rights of citizenship intended to be conferred by the Nineteenth Amendment to the constitution.

Wars past, present and future have placed a financial burden on Great Britain that works out at over ten dollars per week per family.

Lack of travel funds prevented personal checking of acreage planted and forced acceptance of "growers' reports" of acreage reductions which were biased by propaganda and generally believed. The crop reporting board of the department of agriculture declared in a statement yesterday in announcing the final forecast for this year's cotton crop of \$340,000 bales, an increase of 1,500,000 bales over the last forecast. Favorable weather conditions since the last condition report on September 25 permitted maturing of late cotton, the board said, while reduction of fertilizer reported earlier in the season was offset by residue remaining in the ground from last year. Boll weevil and other insect damage, the statement said, was not so great as expected and the hot dry weather of the early fall hastened the maturity of the crop and

prevented much of the damage which otherwise would have resulted. Data on which the acreage in cultivation was estimated on June 25 was correct, the statement declared, when checked against data submitted by the growers at the time, "but it now appears that the data upon which the estimate was based was misleading, the acreage was under-estimated."

MERE MENTION

Fred Rouse a negro packing house employe, was lynched at Fort Worth, Texas, last Saturday for shooting some strike pickets. He wounded two others, and after being eaten up by the strikers was taken to a hospital from which he was afterward taken and lynched. Representatives of 35,000 maintenance of way and shop laborers throughout the country, voted New York Sunday not to accept wage reductions proposed by the railroads, but to ask for 17 per cent. increase at the meeting of the railroad labor board on December 19. R. E. Kousser, comptroller of the currency, the highest financial officer in the Dominion government, committed suicide at Ottawa Sunday by taking poison. Because of family troubles J. M. Davis killed his brother-in-law Elmer P. Jones in the arms of his mother at Macon, Ga., last Sunday. Mrs. Jones says that Davis fired while she was begging him not to shoot.

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