

ODDS AND ENDS.

BY J. SYDNEY DALTON.

I regret that I had to miss writing my notes last month but from now on I hope to be regular and will do my best to interest the readers of "The Jubilee Philatelist."

An American Stamp paper last month had a note on the war. The person who wrote it was not very well up in the facts of the war, and not very well informed on British History. He spoke of the cruelty of Great Britain formerly in Egypt and India and now in South Africa. He must know that England never brought about a war, and never fights unless she has to protect her subjects—as in this war—or is forced to for other reasons. It is as well to say nothing when you don't know what you are talking about.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

New and Speculative Issues.

BY JOHN PELTZ.

The new issue, or to explain it more correctly, the speculative issue seems to be increasing to an alarming extent during the past five years. I am glad to say, however, that several well known writers of philately have taken up our cause and justly denounced the many new speculative unnecessary postal emissions of various countries who endeavor to refill their depleted treasuries by selling stamps to philatelists who buy these "mushrooms" because they are beautiful and cheap.

Some collectors contend that the new issue attracts many non-philatelists who eventually become one. But I doubt whether many collectors become interested through seeing a "Jubilee" set of stamps, in our hobby. So many old timers give up in disgust at the enormous increase of new speculative issues during the past few years that the few collectors who became philatelists through seeing a handsome beautiful new issue hardly made up what the stamp trade lost in the relaxed interest of the old timers.

Another step that will prove very harmful to our hobby, or science, as you will, is that Scott now lists and prices all speculative issues of stamps that were formerly assigned to a place in the back part of the catalogue, under the heading of "Speculative Issues," and collectors were warned not to purchase these unnecessary postal emissions.

In the fast declining demise of the S. S. S. S. we lose an effective champion of the harm the dangerous new issue is creating. If philatelists would only rally round and organize a similiar society in the

United States of America, with several energetic officers at its head, we might yet see the death of many future new issues of stamps, which are made to sell to collectors." But, as the case stands now there is small hope that such a move will ever be attempted.

A COMMON INTEREST.

BY WM. C. KNIGHT.

Let us look after and encourage the young collector should be one of the resolutions of the older collectors for the new year, for it means much to the collector himself and Philatelists at large.

Beginnings of things i. e., has become proverbial. Plutarch in speaking of beginnings said: Beginning of things however small are not to be neglected because continuance makes them great and the very contempt that they are held in gives them opportunity to give them strength which cannot be resisted.

The Juvenile collector and our so-called Juvenile Philatelic Journals come in for a good share of unmerited ridicule from the older papers but it must be remembered that these self-same papers play an important part in the philatelic world, while giving the younger collector the support and help and experience which leads him onward to subscribing to and appreciating the older and Conservative journals. If all our Philatelic journals were advanced what would become of the fellow on the lower round, it would be as Greek to the younger element and it is often that they lay aside the paper in disgust, that stamp collecting is something that belongs to a higher order of things and where scientists can only find pleasure in wondering at the good of the whole thing anyway, then abruptly ends what might have been a promising career in the Philatelic world.

Every new collector to our ranks should be heartily welcomed and given all possible aid, for it means much to him, pleasure, profit, an instructive pursuit, to the Philatelic dealers at large, more business to what extent who knows, it means increased business and benefit in every direction.

Philately has been spoken of often as being only in its infancy. Philately is full of possibilities, much has been accomplished, much more will be accomplished in the future, and now at the dawn of the new century, let us number ourselves among those who are always on the alert for opportunities to encourage and lend assistance to our brother beginner or Juvenile collector.

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