Gamblers' Superstitions.

BETTING ONLY WHEN THE OMENS ARE GOOD-BANKING ON THE ADVICE OF A FORTUNE TELLER AND WINNING.

"No, I'm not betting to-day," was the reply of a sporting man, in answer to an inquiry from another of his ilk whether be had bought any pools on

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the races.

"Busted?" was the laconic query.

"No but I laced one of my shoes up
wrong this morning. It's a bad sign.
I'll let 'em alone to-day."

"Are you superstitious?"

"I frankly confess that I am," he replied, as he lit a cigar, "and I don't
know of a sporting man or gambler
that is not superstitious. and, furtherthat is not superstitious, and, further-more, I do not believe there is a human being living who is not. Of course, some are more than others, but take gamblers and horsemen as a class, and you will find that each one has his own peculiar quilp. Now this morning I laced my shoe up wrong. If I had left it that way it would have been a lucky day for me, but I did not I un-laced it, and I'll bet two to one if I bought a pool on a horse he would break his neck before he came under the string."

"That's quite interesting. Would you mind giving me some of your ex-periences? What do you consider a lucky omen?"

"You want to know what I call a lucky omen, eh? That's just as the idea strikes me. When I was in New York last summer I used to count white horses. Say I would be standing at the corner of Fulton street and Broadway. I would take out my watchwhen I had one—and time myself and count the number of white horses that turned from Broadway into Fulton street in five minutes' time. I sometimes would go on the odd numbers, and sometimes on the even. Like this:
If I made up my mind on even horses
and an even number went by during
the five minutes, then I would be lucky

and visa versa."
"I have heard of gamblers visiting fortune tellers for tips. Do you ever visit them ?"

"Many a time, sir. Here's one instance: I am a red-hot Republican, and was backing Jim Blaine to sheel and gone, when I went one day to see a fortune teller. Says she: You have been making foolish bets; go and bet the other way all that you have—all the money you can get or borrow.' I told her I was betting on Blaine, and she said 'Wait.' Then went into another room and came out in about a minute. 'Cleveland will be elected as sure as you sit in that chair, but he will never serve his term out. That was a paralyzer, but I took stock in it, for she never fooled me in her life. I hedged and bet on Grover, all on her account, and made \$2000 clear above my hedge and of Kelly the bookmaker.

"Here's another instance from the same woman: I had been playing in hard luck till I only had \$12 left. I went to her and told her how I was fixed, and that I wanted a tip on the races. She told me to read the names of the horses to her. I did so, and when I got through the list she said, Tilford is the only one I am sure of ; bet your money on Tilford.' I went down to the track, and when the horses went to the post there were only four tickets on him. This was a bonanza, you know if he won. I bought one \$5 ticket. The track was a regular duck pond, slosh up to the horses knees. Tilford came in last. Ob. 1 forgot; he was entered for two races that day. The next race he was in I heard that Mike Daly, who owned him, wanted to scratch him, but the judges wouldn't have it. That wasn't very en couraging, but I stuck to him and put my last fiver on him. His jockey fanned him every jump and brought him in a winner by two lengths. I got \$500 odd dollars for my \$5 ticket. So much for fortune-tellers tips. Some fortunetellers are snide, but take one educated, or that has it naturally born in then and they get there as a general rule. "You gamble with cards do you?"

"Oh yes; I make my living as a

sporting man."

"Does your superstition affect you in playing cards?"

"Yes, indeed. If I am going to play cards for money I always hunt up a beggar and give him some money for luck. I have walked sometimes two miles to find a beggar but I don't have miles to find a beggar, but I don't have to do it here. There is one on every corner. I know a gambler in New York who goes daily to an Italian on Greene street, who has these little canaries who tell fortunes by pulling an envelope out of a pack. He always follows the advice of the bird, and I have actually seen him shed tears over some of the slips he got-not from grief, but from vexation-if it went a-

gainst his grain."
"Have you ever been at any of the European gambling places?" "Oh, yes. I was at Monaco."

"How does the thing work there?" "Oh, the same there as anywhere else. I suppose when you were a boy at school and chose sides for town ball you tossed up for innings by spitting on a stick and calling 'wet or dry' for

choice, haven't you?"
"Yes many a time."
"Ha, ha! Well one evening I did the same thing at Monaco. I threw up a stick and called 'dry," and dry it was I went and played roulette. I quit 20,000 francs winner at midnight. I have had gamblers tell me that they acquired the babit of trying their luck in different ways, but I claim it's not a habit—it's nature, born in a man, and it never comes out. Why, I know dozens of people who laugh at super stition, that will have a regular case of the dumps if they see the new moon over their right shoulders for the first time. They think if they see it over their left shoulders and made a wish they will get their wish."

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When the new comedy, "Water," was presented at Louisville the other evening all the Colonels arose with one accord at the end of the first act and asked in a decidedly injured tone, "Water you givin' us?"

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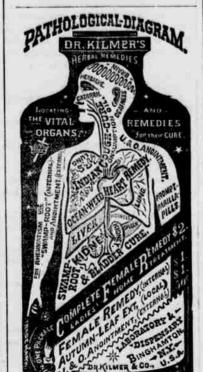
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Fowlersville, Mich., has fifty widows and three widowers. Another case of survival of the fittest. Over twelve thousand emigrants have

entered California within the past two weeks. It is said that 100,000,000 oranges will be gathered from the groves of California this season.

Thirteen million sheep are said to have died in New South Wales within the last three years for want of water. Seekers for glacial wonders must soon find them on this continent. Recent authorities say European glaciers are fast wearing away.

A Georgia man who recently died at ninety-seven could lift a barrel containing thirty gallons of whiskey and drink from the buoghole and handle a 45 pound bale of cotton as if it were a

F. B. Walker, the richest man it Minnesota, taught school in Minneapo lis 18 years ago for \$9 a month. They have fogs so dense in Pittsburg that the citizens use them to stuff

pillows and mattresses with. It may seem paradoxical, but striking blacksmiths are among the most ndustrious of men .- Lowell Citizen An eminent chemist has discovered what fluid it is that most resembles the hair of a negro. He says it is black

This is a good time to draw your money out of the bank. The newspapers are beginning to boom Canada

One man wants whiskey in a bar-room. Another wants soda in a drug store. Then they arbitrate. They both take beer in a beer saloon. "I've run a piece of wood under my

finger nail," said an old married man to his wife: "Ah," she sneered "you must have been scratching your head. Under the head of "Business Maxims" an exchange says: "Don't cover toe much ground." This is probably another way of recommending an oc-

A tramp who was driven from the house by an irate party with a club, re-marked that such conduct was most ungentlemanly and he felt very much

"I am surprised at the appearance of your triend B. He looks wretched. Do you know if he has been disappointed in love?" "No, he has been disappointed in marriage."

bridesmaid, remarked philosophically

The Antique in Washington-

Washington is an excellent market Washington is an excellent market for old mahogany furniture, brasses, eight-day clocks, rare silver and China. The surrounding country has been pretty well scoured for it, but in the remote parts of Virginia are still mines of wealth for the collector of antique. These articles are usually bought very cheap by the gatherers of antique brica-brac, and in most cases are in a dilap idated condition, but after having passed through the hands of the cabinetmaker and received a coat of oil or varrish, look nearly as good as through the hands of the cabinetmaker and received a coat of oil or varrish, look nearly as good as THROUGH TRAINS FOR SUBBURY FROM THE oil or varrish, look nearly as good as new. In the time of the old Virginia

of old chica, and brass especially.

Among some of the articles exhibit-

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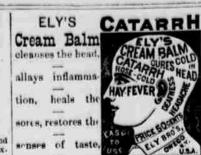
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