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WATCH THE LIPS.

Their Sensitive Muscles Make Them Great Telltales.

"It's a queer thing," remarked the professor. The people can control their eyes and not their mouths."

The inventor with whom he happen-

or tails turning up repeatedly—is precisely as follows:

It can be considered to the firm must be called to the firm movement on their part which can't be granded against? Because it is so four eyes and to use them in such a way as to conceal our emotions. It's different with the mouth. Perhaps we haven't advanced far enough to do two such important things at the same thate. Anyway the finet seemains that we don't do it.

Or tails turning up repeatedly—is precisely as follows:

The chance of a head is one-half; of two heads following, is one-half multiplied by one-hal

that the mustache has uses."
"It does," returned the professor,
"but you must remember that the mustache, as a rule, doesn't obscure the lower lip. And the lower lip, if you'll take the trouble to notice, is if anything more revenitory than the upper one. It is usually that lip which gives pression to the mouth. The up-follows sult, as it were." II, well," said the inventor, fin-

A KING'S UNDRESSING.

his mustache.-New York Press.

The Ceremony Was a Wondorful One in Louis XVI.'s Time.

In "Memoirs of the Comtesse de Boige" (1781-1814), edited from the original manuscript by Charles Nicoultand, is found the following realistic description of the "coucher" of Louis XVI.

The king's cost, waistcoat and shirt were taken off. He stood there naked to the walst, scratching and rubbing bimeer, as if he had been alone, in the pressure of the whole court and often thank strangers of distinction. The there valet handed the nightshirt to the most highly qualified person, to one of the princes of the blood if any were This was a right and not a When the person was one with he was on familiar terms the could often play tricks while it on stepping on one side to ske the holder run after him, accom-ning these charming jokes with all guffars, which greatly vexed one who were sincerely attached to m. When his shirt was on he put dressing gown, while three valets unfastened his waist belt and knee breeches, which fell to his ankles, and in that garb, scarcely able to walk with fetiers, he would shufround the circle of those in wait When the king had had enough chair which was pushed into the mid-dle of the room and dropped into it, ifftlng up his legs. Two pages on their knees immediately selzed his legs, pulled off the king's shoes and let them drop with a crash, which was a point of effquette. As soon as he heard the noise the usher opened the door, saying, Gentlemen will please pass out.' Those present went away, and the ceremony was finished. However, the person who was holding the candiestick was allowed to stay if he had anything special to say to the king, and hence the value that was attached to this strange favor."

Unlucky Suggestion.

An old vicar had a groom who had been detected steating his master's The vicar had not decided what course to take, and meantime the groom had gone to the curate to ask him to predict phim, and the sympathetic young fellow hastened to the rectory to appeal to the vicar. The old vicar heard his curate out, bu looked obdurate, so as a last resource the curate quoted Scripture as a plea for leniency and said we were taught when a man took our coat to let him

the cloak as well.

hat's true," said the vicar dryly, and as the fellow has taken my oats am going to give him the sack."-London Answers.

THE TOSS OF A COIN.

Heads or Tails.

CHANCE AND THEORY CLASH.

If Heads Turn Ten Times In Sequence, Theory Says the Odds Are Against Another Head, Yet Chance Says the Odds on the Next Toss Are Even.

A famous mathematician, Professor Kari Pearson, once spent the greater part of his vacation deliberately tossiug a shilling and making careful notes of how it fell. He spun the shilling of how it feil. He spun the shilling 25,000 times, and a pupil of his, working separately, spun a penny 8,200 times and also tested the drawing of 9,000 tickets from a bag.

It may seem strange that a learned professor should put himself to such an amount of trouble to demonstrate what every schoolbox who had ever

professor. Show people can control their eyes and not their mouths."

The inventor with whom he happened to be talking made the comment that the professor probably meant tongues when speaking of mouths.

"No, I didn't mean tongues. I meant mouths," the professor rejoined. "I meant mouths," the professor rejoined. "I meant mouths, the professor rejoined. "I meant mouths, the professor rejoined. "I meant mouths, the professor rejoined. The professor rejoined that is, heads turning up repeatedly or tails turning up repeatedly—is pre-

Although the man in the street may If, for example, I have reason to not have reckoned this, he is always fiere that a man is not telling me quite positive that if, say, a coin has a such I don't give my attention to fallen ten times head upward he is the eyes. He may look at me as fear-lessly as he wants. What I watch for is something significant in the re-tilence is no change in the expression of his lips I am deaposed after all to believe him. But if there is the least trentiling or twitching, the least exhi-lation are with the great way. What mysterious influence can a past event, the tossing of ten heads, here on a future one which has no have on a future one which has no link with them—namely, the tossing of the coin the eleventh time? Surely suppose" observed the inventor.
It while that fact does not explain wearing of the mustache it shows the mustache has uses."

of the coin the clevena time: Surely each toss is an event by itself, as Sir Hiram Maxim said of a game at roulette at Monte Carlo:

"It is a pure, unadulterated question of chance, and it is not influenced in the least by anything which has ever taken place before or that ever will take place in the future."

A nasty piece of plain speaking this for the cranks who had published schemes for "breaking the bank" and whose plans depended entirely on the theory that if one game ended in a win for "red" the chances against it ending "red" as second time were less, a third time less still, and so on.

This of course would be a sound enough argument provided that you enough argument provided that you regard some dozens of games of routette or tosses of a coin all as one continuous event. It is quite safe, for instance, to offer beforehand big odds against a coin turning up heads ten times running. But in practice the public house loafer does not do this. What he does is to bet on each separate toss by itself, thus defeating his own aims. The odds against a coin turning up heads eleven times are as has been shown, something like 2.000 has been shown, something like 2.000 to 1. But suppose you only start betime at the tenth toss. What are the odes against the eleventh toss again being a head?

The odds, so far from being 2,000 to 1, are actually 1 to 1! To use an Irishism, the odds are even—that is to say, if you split up the eleven tosses into eleven separate events to be beton separately your bets should be "even money" all the time, however often heads turn up running. But if you view the eleven tosses as one com-bined event and you offer a prelimi-nary bet against the whole eleven re-

suits being heads you will have to give gigantic odds.

All this goes to prove the absolute uncertainty of gambling. The great est muthematicians of the day cannot be certain how a coin will fail, so that the man of merely average abilities who stakes anything important on the toss of a coin is allowing that part of his fortune to pass entirely outside his control.-Pearson's Weekly

South Africa's Locusts Millions and millions of locusts set-tle, and millions and millions continue flying to settle farther on. They have been settling in myriads for a hundred mlies and more, and yet enough are mlies and more, and yet enough are left flying to hide the sun. On the ground nothing can be seen but locusts. So thickly do they pack that not a square inch of earth or grass is visible. As you walk through them a narrow wake is left for a few seconds in your track where they have flown out of your way, and as they rise in out of your way, and as they rise in thousands before your feet the noise of their wings is like an electric power station.-Grand Magazine.

Putting it Mildly.

The flooding of a Yorkshire mine had a tragic result, and a miner was deputed to break the news to a poor woman whose husband had been drown

"Does Widow Jones live here?"
"No," was the ladignant lady's reply.
"You're a liar!" he said.—London Tatler.

Never tell your resolution before-

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