

GAMBLERS PROFITS.

PERCENTAGE OF CHANCES IN HIS FAVOR IN "HONEST" GAME.

WHY "SYSTEMS" ALL FAIL.

Cold Facts About Roulette That Are Calculated to Discourage Votaries of the Wheel—Monte Carlo System That Wins in the Long Run.

Incidental to the gambling cases that were recently disposed of in Justice Crutchfield's court in this city, there has been a very amount of small talk as to the character of the games that have been played here...

The man who sits behind the table in a game of chance has three factors contributing to his profit. First, there is the natural percentage of the game. This was worked out somewhere back in the centuries...

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In roulette there are thirty-eight characters or numbers upon which you can put your money. If you hit the right number the dealer pays you \$35 for \$1 bet...

JUST THE THEORY. The supposition made above is entirely untrue, and the instance cited might never occur on trial...

Of course, when figures are applied to a game of chance, the devotees of luck are inclined to ridicule. A man who in cold blood calculates on winning once in thirty-four plays at roulette so that he can come out a little ahead will spend his leisure time hunting for perpetual motion...

exaggerate the facts," said an old-time gambler to me once. His opinion was based on the fact that the gambler can be beaten. Jerome was, perhaps, the most thorough sportsman that ever lived in this country...

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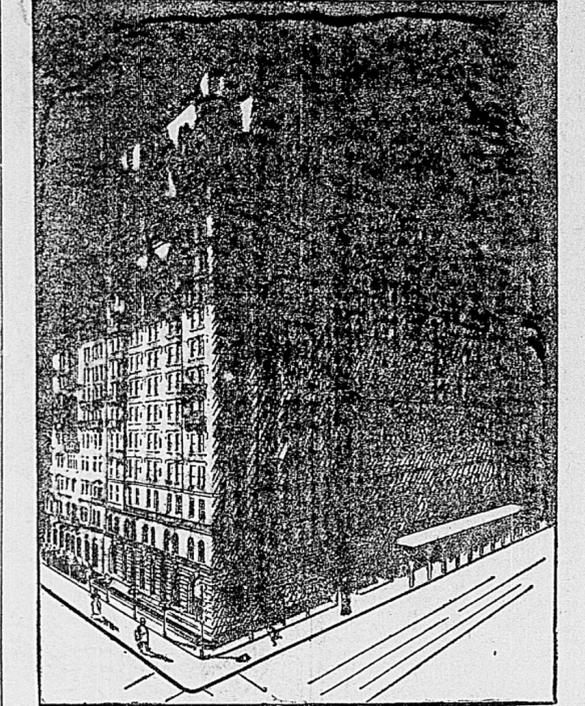
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the wager and it wins, and that amount having been placed in the proper column the figures 5 and fifteen are stricken from the row. This leaves \$15 as the next bet...

BRISTOL POLITICS.

SURMISES AS TO THE EFFECT OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

THE CONGRESSIONAL FIGHT.

Col. Slemp, the Republican, Will Put Up an Active Fight—Rhea's Vigorous Campaign—Odds in Favor of the Democrat.

BRISTOL, VA., September 20.—(Special.)—The registration under the new Constitution was begun in this city yesterday. It has not progressed far enough to make an estimate on the result...

THE CONGRESSIONAL FIGHT. The race for Congress in the Ninth Virginia District is going to be one of considerable interest. With such men as Slemp to oppose each other there can but be a stirring scene in the political arena.

Since Hon. Robert Burrow has declined the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Ninth Tennessee District it is not certain that Representative W. P. Brownlow, the Republican nominee for re-election, will have opposition.

Mr. Burrow's party is perhaps, more seriously divided as to his candidacy than has ever been in the history of the district. It is generally believed that the trend of the registration will be favorable to the incumbent.

WEDDED AT THE OLD SWEET.

Marriage of Mr. Woodville and Miss Sarah Elizabeth Lewis.

SWEET SPRINGS, W. VA., September 20.—(Special.)—On Wednesday, September 17th, at half past five, the marriage of Mr. Woodville and Miss Sarah Elizabeth Lewis was celebrated at the home of the bride's father...

At 12 o'clock an elegant breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's father. The big, old-fashioned house was a riot of color, wild flowers, and bright-hued foliage predominating.

Chicken salad, asparagus, tomatoes, and mayonnaise, sandwiches, almonds, nuts, and mint juleps, cakes, and coffee were served to about fifty guests among whom were Mrs. R. McC. Jones, Miss Alice Dooley, Miss Lavatelle Lewis, Miss Nora Houston, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Coralle Lewis, Miss Mary Frederick, Mrs. John Osborne, Mrs. Smith, Captain Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McAlpin, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Winn, Miss Blanche Hindman, Miss Coralle Lewis, Miss Elie Maury Werth, and Messrs. Macklin, Venable, T. Frank, H. B. Brock, Peyton Brock, Breckinridge, Charles Lewis, Dr. Woodville.

THE SPOTSYLVANIA NEGROES. Some Amusing Answers to the Regulators—Many Disfranchised.

SPOTSYLVANIA, COURTHOUSE, VA., September 20.—(Special.)—The registration books for the courthouse precinct were closed to-day, after being open for four days for the purpose of registering voters under the new Constitution.

As a result, 59 white votes were registered and 15 colored.

Another negro, when asked to explain the difference between the upper and lower House, remarked that the upper House was for the white people and the lower House for the negroes.

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"WARWICKTON" SOLD.

Valuable Property in Bath County Changes Hands. WARM SPRINGS, VA., September 20.—(Special.)—"Warwickton," one of the largest and most valuable farms on Jackson river in this county, was this week sold to a party of men from Hot Springs, represented by Mr. J. L. Blakey...

HUSBAND COULDN'T SPELL SO GOT THE SACK

Illinois Schoolman Couldn't Stand Her Consort's Orthography and Therefore Divorced Him. Mrs. Phloemene Appleton could hardly be expected to adopt a husband who defied the pronouns "I" and wrote "a nuff" when he really meant "enough."

ANOTHER PIANO BARGAIN.

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CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS. Steel Saws in Pipes for Prisoner. KNOXVILLE, TENN., September 20.—A box intended for Harvey Logan, the alleged Montana train robber, who is in jail here, was intercepted by the sheriff to-day. The box contained several packages of tobacco and six cob pipes with long stems. Over the mouths of the pipes were seals. These were broken by the sheriff, who found a steel saw 22 inches long in each pipe.