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**A REAL TEXAS GAMBLER**

"Jew Sam," and How He Has Fleeced the South in the Years Gone By—Travelling With a Colored Sharper in the Role of a Servant—A Game Which Has Made Fortunes for Both of Them.

This thriving city, which has yet to celebrate its sixth birthday, says a Colorado Times correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, is on the edge of the Llano estacado, or Staked plain, and is in the center of a rich grazing country. All Texas towns have a "Gold Room saloon," and I met in Colorado City's gold room today a man who was familiarly known along the frontier ten or twelve years ago as "Jew Sam."

Sam is as fine a specimen of manhood as you would meet in a week's travel. He is over six feet in height, of athletic build, and his face is dashing handsome. He always dresses in perfect taste and carries a six-shooter of forty-five calibre, which he will use to kill on the slightest provocation. He is very quiet and gentlemanly in manner and perfectly temperate in his habits.

One day at Murderville, when Sam was getting tired of the monotony of walking about with plenty of money in his pocket and nobody to play with, a simple-minded colored man named William Amber arrived from Laredo and displayed a big bundle, which he modestly declared he was willing to risk at poker. Amber had been a sergeant in the Twenty-fifth Infantry, and from long years of rigid discipline did not presume. Sam formed his acquaintance.

"A nigger's money is as good as a white man's," and I'm going to rob him."

This friend, who, like Sam, recognized no class or color distinctions where poker was concerned, agreed that this was a sensible view to take of the matter and offered to lend his assistance in robbing the ex-soldier. Sam admitted him to partnership and they began work. Amber was coy, and it required a day's hard work before he could be induced to take a hand.

At last, however, he succumbed, and the three men began to play at a little table in the rear of Buckskin Bill's cantina, "The Sunset." Nearly every unemployed gambler in the camp was interested in the game, and quite a crowd gathered about the players.

means, and sporting proclivities. I usually let them suggest a quiet little game of draw, and I handle the cards squarely, simply backing my judgment. After the game has been in progress an hour or two and I have lost several hundred dollars, as I usually manage to do, Amber comes upon the scene and hands me a note, which I break open and read. Of course it's only a dummy, but I pretend it is from a friend calling me to an immediate and important business appointment. I excuse myself to the gentlemen, who, having won a little of my money, are sorry to see me go, and seem perplexed. The appointment I am obliged to keep will only necessitate a half hour's absence. I hate to break up the game and all that sort of thing—and suddenly turn to Amber.

"William, I say, 'can you play poker?'"

"Little, sah!"

"Gentlemen," I continue, turning to the company, "this is my servant William, as faithful and trustworthy a nigger as ever a man had."

"At this William chuckles and grins and looks as simple as possible, for the gentlemen all eye him critically. I proceed: "It is necessary, gentlemen, that I keep this business appointment, but I'll be gone less than a half hour, and in the meantime, if you have no objection, I'll let William play my hand."

BEATEN AT THEIR OWN GAME.

"Of course, they do not object, and William takes my place at the table. I lay a big roll of notes down beside him, and as a parting caution, bid him not to lose all my money. The gentlemen, who are beginning to feel the wine that I have ordered up, laugh uproariously. I always throw a word or two in about them being shrewd poker players, which tickles their vanity and blinds their eyes. William gets stupid, and when I leave, goes to sleep over his cards, just as he did that day when he robbed me at Murderville. The gentlemen put up all sorts of games to win my money, and when they feel certain they have everything fixed William wakes up and they generally get up from the table broke. They all know they have been cheating and have been beaten at their own game. Being gentlemen, they don't kick, and I begin to lay for fresh suckers. We have been making a cool \$50,000 apiece every year since we started in, and about two weeks ago William bought his old master's plantation above Bayou Sara. He's spending his vacation there, but we'll meet next winter, spend a few months in the Southern cities and sail for Europe in the spring. I tell you, there's millions in that nigger!"

**The Present Generation**

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