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LUCK IN ODD NUMBERS. Superstitions of Modern Gamblers Which Are "as Old as the Hills."
If there is one active principle that enters into gambling, it is superstition, and for almost every man that hunts the elusive dollar over the desolate waste of the green baize cloth, or on the race track...

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The Irrigation Age. "Water is the God of the Harvest." INDISPENSIBLE TO THE Farmer, Investor, Engineer, Contractor, Fruit Grower, Home Builder.

TIME TABLE. GOING EAST-CENTRAL TIME-LEAVES. No. 2, through passenger... No. 4, local passenger... No. 76, freight... No. 84, freight... No. 80, freight... No. 148, freight, made up here... GOING WEST-MOUNTAIN TIME-LEAVES. No. 3, through passenger... No. 5, local passenger... No. 63, freight... No. 71, freight... No. 149, freight, made up here... IMPERIAL LINE-MOUNTAIN TIME. No. 115, leaves at... No. 116, arrives at... WHERE HEALING WATERS FLOW. Hot Springs, South Dakota, is a place that everyone should visit. It's a health resort; the best in the west. It's a charming place where pure air and healing waters put sickness to flight and make anything but perfect health well-nigh an impossibility. Invalids, no matter what their ailment, should give Hot Springs a trial. It's sure to benefit them, more than likely to cure.

Reformed Geometry. Almost 100 years ago two men set out from Virginia to visit the Scioto valley, of the beauty and fertility of which they had heard alluring reports. On the third night they reached Clarksville, where they put up with a man who appeared to be honest, but old-fashioned and illiterate. "Can you tell us how far it is to Marietta and what sort of a road we shall find?" asked one of the travelers. "Yes," answered the host; "that is exactly what I can do, for I was appointed one of the viewers to lay out the road and have just returned from the performance of that duty."

Gifts at Baptism. Gifts to infants on their baptism are of ancient origin. Formerly the sponsors generally offered gift spoons to the child. These spoons were called apostle spoons, because the figures of the 12 apostles were carved at the top of the handles. Rich sponsors gave the complete set of 12, while for those who were not so opulent four was considered the proper number, and poor sponsors would content themselves with offering one. In the latter case the handle of the spoon generally exhibited the figure of any saint in honor of whom the child received its name. It is in allusion to this custom that, when Cramer professes himself to be unworthy of being sponsor to the young princess, Shakespeare makes the king reply: "Come, come, my lord, you'd spare your spoons."

Business. "Say, old man, I want to talk business to you a few minutes." "Certainly; go ahead." "Could you lend me \$25 without inconvenience?" "Yes, I think I could." "Thanks. I'll return it shortly." "What security will you give?" "Why—er—I—didn't think any necessary." "Oh, probably I misunderstood you. I thought you said you wanted to talk business." —Indianapolis Sentinel.

ANCIENT LIGHTHOUSES. Beacon Lights to Guide Mariners Coastal With the Earliest Commerce. Beacon lights to guide the wave-tossed mariner to a safe harbor must have been almost coeval with the earliest commerce. There is positive record that lighthouses were built in ancient times, though few evidences now remain to us from old writers or in crumbled ruins. This is not strange, for light towers, never the most stable architectural form, were exposed to the storms of sea and war. The Greeks attributed the first lighthouses to Hercules, and he was considered the protector of voyagers. It is claimed by some that Homer refers to lighthouses in the nineteenth book of the "Iliad."

Angelo's Verdict. Once a painter notorious for plagiarisms executed a historical picture in which every figure of importance was copied from some other artist, so that very little remained to himself. It was shown to Michael Angelo by a friend, who begged his opinion of it. "Excellent, done," said Angelo, "only, at the day of judgment, when all bodies will resume their own limbs again, I do not know what will become of that historical painting, for there will be nothing left of it." —San Francisco Argonaut.

The Origin of Dyspepsia. Doctor—"It's merely a case of dyspepsia, ma'am." Wife—"And what does that come from?" Doctor—"It comes from the Greek, ma'am." Wife—"Ah, I thought he'd been getting at something. He was all right as long as he stuck to beer." —Wilkesbarre Newsdealer.

In Duplicate. Gus de Smith came down Harlem avenue with his chin cut in several places, so that it looked as if a drunken barber had been practicing on it. "Merciful heaven, Gus!" exclaimed Pete Amsterdam. "What did you do to the barber? You ought to have murdered him. That was the least you could have done."

One Child's Vocabulary. The statement that a child 5 1/2 years of age would not have more than 150 words in its vocabulary that it was able to use understandingly led a careful mother to note for a month the number of words used by her child. All the parts of speech used were recorded, with the result that in this case the child appeared to have a vocabulary of 1,528 words.—New York Post.

Jewelers are fervently wishing that the styles prevalent in France in the tenth century might be revived for the sake of business. Judith, the wife of Caipuchin, wore a solid girdle of gold that weighed four pounds, and all the fashionable dames followed her example.