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GIRLS PLAY POKER.

Favorite Pastime of a Cortain Set in a Noted College.

"Do girls ever play poker at college? Well, I guess! You men needn't think you monopolize all the fun in this

The speaker, says a writer in the Boston Globe, was a charming, saucy little student of-well, a college whose name begins with one of the last letters of the alphabet. She sat on a hotel piazza last summer and held forth to group of the other sex, who all owned to an everlasting curiosity as to the ways and habits of the college girl when on her own stamping grounds.

"You, see, I learned to play the game very young, long before I went to college. My mother is awfully jolly, you know, and she believes in our having all our fun at home, where she can keep an eye on us. We didn't play poker in those days for money, because we had none. We patronized mamma's button-box instead. My, how the buttons used to fly when things got lively and disputing ran high!

"My brother and I used blueberries for chips one evening, after gathering them all day in the country, as the buttons were not available. My brother had all the luck, and ate the chips as fast as he won. But fate evened up me with him. He had the cholera morbus in the night.

"Finally we became so attached to the game that we went to a Sundayschool picnic and withdrew to a shady retreat with our boon companions, and played poker all day. In lieu of coin of the realm or other convenient substitute, we employed a bank account or

pencilled memorandum. "When the sun set that night I was \$10,000,000 - on paper. mamma somehow didn't seem to fancy this liberal union of profane and secred matters, such as poker and Sunday. school picnics, so she sat down on the

"I renewed my acquaintance with the jack-pot when I went to college, though. "Did we ever play for money at college? Oh, yes; but we considered it a got through playing, and to spend the the entire crowd at the village restaurant. It was great sport, especially for those who didn't win anything. good, juicy oyster proved wonderfully consoling at such a time.

Black Governors in Rhode Island. Alice Morse Earle describes in the New England Magazine the election of negro Governors in Rhode Island in old colonial times. After the white people had elected the Governor of the State the slaves had a curious custom of gathering together on the third Saturday in June and electing a black Governor. To this election the negroes went in fine style on Narragansett pacers, with their wives on pillions behind them. All were dressed with their finest clothes, with swords and with powdered hair, and often a long false one tied on behind. When all had gathered together the vote was taken by the opposing parties falling into two long lines, with the respective candidates at the head, the lines then were counted and the longest line elected its per and a dance were given, for which the white owner of the newly-elected black Governor had to pay. The last election of a slave Governor was held in 1800, but the custom of "nigger 'lection" day did not die out through New England until many years later.

Unwise Experimenting.

We have all met the people whose constant theme of conversation is their own physical well-being; who eat and drink by rule; take medicine at stated intervals, but yet are always ailing. As soon as a man of this type has one weak part of his system renovated, some other part breaks down, and he has to go to work at that. He drinks sour beverages to thin his blood, and lies on his back, with his head toward the north, to make it circulate properly. When he imagines that his liver is acting in a reprehensible manner he stimulates it, or props it up, with a horseback ride before breakfast; and if his stomach does not perform its functions with accuracy and dispatch, he floods it with cold water before going to bed, the moment he gets up in the morning. surprises in each department. He is always doing or taking something to head off some infirmity. When he is not engaged in fortifying his system developing some weak muscle with dumb-bells, or trying to create an ap-petite by sawing half a cord of wood before the dew is off the grass. He wears cork soles in his shoes, claiming that they act as rhoumatic insulators. He is fond of explaining bow much phosphorus there is in corn, fat producing qualities in cheese, and saccharine matter in wheat. He talks learnedly about the adulteration of food, tells gloomy stories of the effect hard boiled eggs have on the digestive organs of the idiot who eats them. He wretched in efforts to attain ease, and goes into an early grave from the effects of trying to lengthen his days. To sum all up, he is a social nuisance, with the redeeming feature, that be punishes himself more than he does anybody else.

Badly Hurt. the queerest questions.

At the supper-table Mr. Wade mentioned a tragic circumstance that he had read that day in the newspaper. A passenger on a Trans-Atlantic steamer had fallen overboard in midocean, and had never been seen again.

"Was he drowned?" asked Mrs. Wade. "Oh, no, my dear; of course not," answered Mr. Wade. "But he sprained his ankle, I believe."

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> One suggestion, however, to those who are delaying-remember, it is just as sensible and important to be on time as to be in style. Come at once and see our new goods.

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THE ANIMATED SKULL.

A Death's Head That Pirouetted to the It was 1887. The firm had just pur-

in the St. Louis Republic. picked it up and took it to the office

and placed it on top of the office clock. There as the hours ticked away into eternity, I would sit and listen and try to imagine what the person looked like who owned that skull. An ugly hole on one side opened

field of silent inquiry as to whether it was made by a bullet and whether murder or suicide had caused death. never quite made up my mind about it, but found the skull a source of pleasure in furnishing a theme for clearing the cobwebs from my brain when tired of business cares.

Having occasion to visit the office one night on my way home from the theatre, I opened the door and stepped in. The electric light threw fantastic shadows across the floor. The only sound within was the ticking of the clock, and above it sat the spectre of my departed

I sat down a moment to think, and as I did so the skull seemed to rise up on legs, and in the uncanny light leered horribly at me, while the eye sockets looked like night-burrowed holes of

immovable and my limbs were paralyzed. Before I could recover my selfpossession the grinning skull leaned forward, floated gracefully to the floor and there cut up all sorts of gruesome capers in the shadows. I could feel my eyes fall out upon my cheeks, my hair lift my hat from my head, while I knew that my countenance wore the ashen pallor of death. It was impossible to get out of the room, so as a weapon of defense I seized the iron poker and awaited in fear and trembling.

Fiend, I shrieked, upstarting, Let this be our sign of parting. Grasping the poker firmly I charged upon the ghostly visitor. At the same moment the skull rolled harmlessly on the floor toward me, while away scampered a huge rat, leaving me weak and

The rat had entered the skull from the clock shelf and in attempting to get out his neck had become fastened in the orifice at the base of the skull. This pushed the ghastly relic to the floor, and the rat running round and round the room lent ghostly terrors to my imagination until I believed the lieve in ghosts to this day.

A Salutary Lesson. General Walstein was intrepid in the field of battle, but he was singularly superstitious, as the following story will

He was at Gross Meseritch, in Moravia, in 1625, and completely absorbed Queensware, Woodware. Tinware. in laying the plan of the ensuing campaign; his custom was to pass part of the these nights, being at the window, lost in contemplation, he felt himself very violently struck on the back. He turned around instantly, and knowing that he was alone and his chamber door locked, this warrior, bold as he was in battle, was seized with fright. He did not doubt that this blow was a sign from Heaven to warn him of impending danger. He fell into a deep melancholly, nor could any of his friends ob-

His confessor, a Capuchin, undertook to discover it, and had art enough to induce one of the pages of the general to acknowledge that he, being intent or playing one of his comrades a trick, had hid himself in the apartment to which Walstein had retired, and mistaking him for his friend, had struck him with all his might; but on having found his error while his master was examining the room he jumped out of

The confessor pledged his word and honor to the page that no evil should befall him on this account; and he thought himself happy in being able to quiet the trepidations of the great gen-But what was his despair when he heard Walstein order the immediate hanging of this mistaken youth. His orders were absolute. The gibbet was ready, the page delivered to the executioner in the presence of the general. The principal officers of the army were seized with indignation, and the lower classes exclaimed against such barbarity. The miserable confessor threw himself repeatedly at the feet of this inexorable commander. The page had mounted the ladder, when suddenly the general cried out, "Stop!" Then, with a voice like thunder, he said to the page:

"Well, young man, have you now experienced what the terrors of death are? I have served you as you have served me. Now we are quits."

A City Paved with Marble. A city paved with marble! It sounds strangely enough, yet in the heart of poverty-stricken Ireland there is just such a city. Kilkenny, one of the lrish parliamentary boroughs, is not only paved with the costly stone, but many are the famous black marble quarries, which turn out the choicest marble in the British isles. From time immemorial the civic authorities have been accuswalls of Kilkenny were of marble throughout, as is the cathedral of Saint Carnice to-day. Kilkenny has two other peculiarities. Its water is wonderfully clear and pure, while the coal used in the city, coming as it does from the Sliere Marge anthracite region.

Willing to Wait. Uncle Ebony-I's in trubble, suah sah. My wife she say she done get a dat's been makin' up to her, sah, of I used only rye and barley malt. don' get a new suit ob clo's.

have an old suit around somowhere How soon do you want it? Uncle Ebony--Wa-al, dat depen's, Any time atter she leab me, suh, will be soon enough. -Judge.

The virtue of a man ought to be easured not by extraordinary exertions, but by his everyday conduct. You may depend on a friend's enthusiasm on the first day you sugage new undertaking, but you must depend on yourself after the

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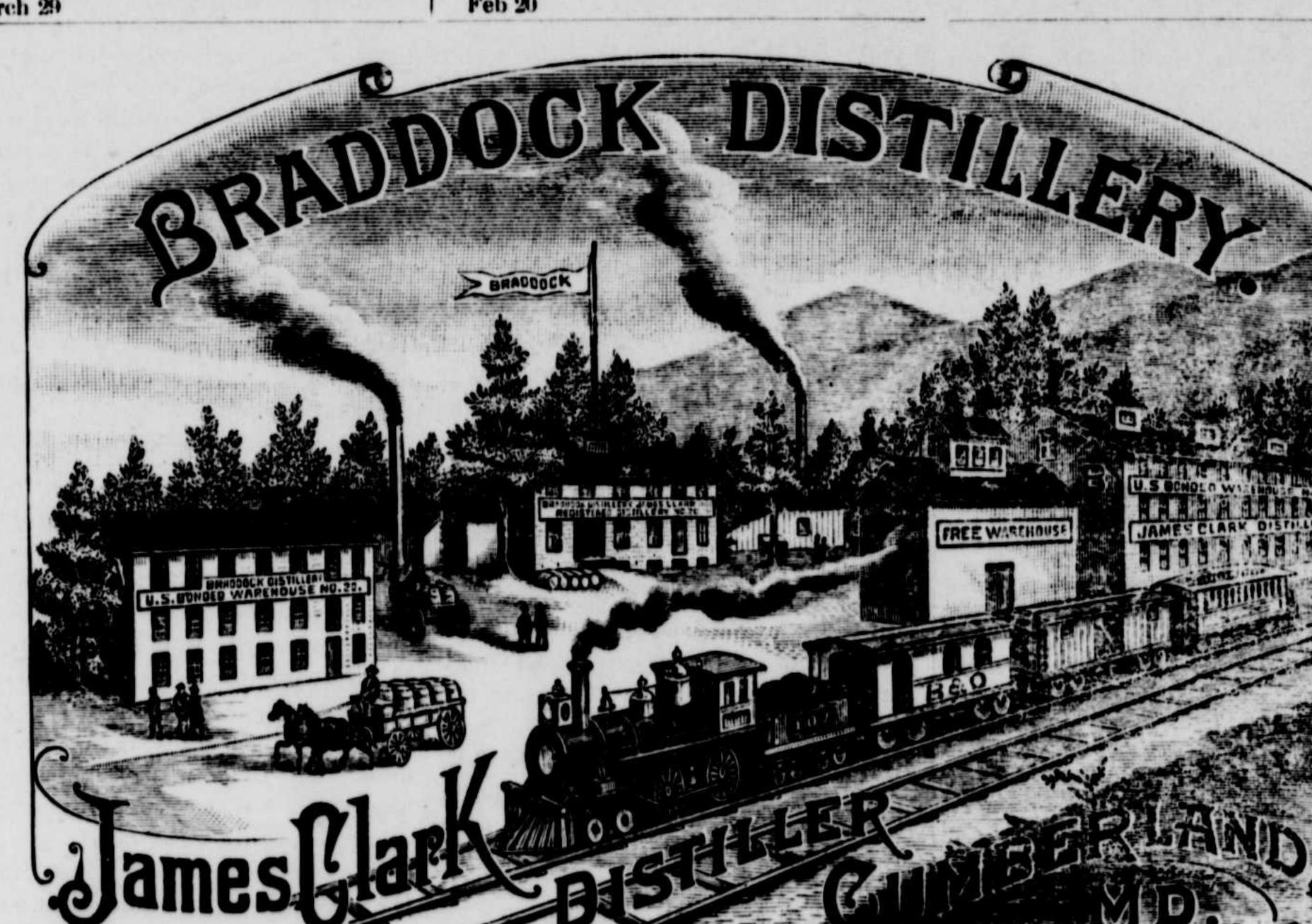
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