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It Was Good For \$2,500 In a Gentleman's Game of Poker.

"Did I ever tell you how Big Foot Ed Bunch of Leavenworth won nearly \$5,000 on a poker hand by betting one of his shoes?" asked the old sport. "No! Well, then I'll tell you.

"Back in the sixties Big Foot Bunch was the most famous poker player that ever struck Leavenworth. In those days the old town was an outfitting point and was booming. Bunch's one striking characteristic was the size of his feet, and that is how he got his name. No other man of modern times ever carried such a pair of feet. They were each fully 13 inches in length, and he was compelled to have his shoes made to order.

"One evening after a boatload of tourists had come up Big Foot fell into conversation with some of the passengers, and finally a poker game was suggested. Four men, including Big Foot, signified their desire to play, and in a few minutes they were at it. As the cards were being shuffled for the first deal one of the three strangers remarked that he guessed it would be a gentleman's game, which means a game in which a player may make bets without putting his money in front of him—in other words, betting on credit. As the three strangers all looked prosperous Big Foot said that he was satisfied, and the game proceeded.

"In those days the old fashioned leather pocketbooks were used, almost exclusively by wealthy men. You will remember that they had one compartment for bills which folded up, and the book was held together by a strap which slipped through a leather holder. Every now and then one of the strangers would dig up his leather pocketbook, throw it into the middle of the table and murmur, 'A thousand better.'

"Big Foot had about \$1,500 in cash in front of him, but his hands were not running high, and it was some time before he had occasion to go against the pocketbook play. Finally, on his own deal he caught three tens to go, and the fourth ten dropped into his hand on the draw.

"Everybody staid, and when it got around to Big Foot after the draw he made a raise that took every cent in front of him. The first player to the left then went for his pocketbook again and tossing it into the center simply remarked, 'I,000 better.' The next man saw the raise and went in \$500 more. The third man threw his pocketbook into the center to make good, and the three looked at Big Foot inquiringly.

"Big Foot was equal to the occasion. He was convinced that he had the top hand, and he proposed to play it for all it was worth. Quickly slipping off one of his immense shoes he threw it into the center with the remark: 'Well, gentlemen, as you are all playing leather, I will do a little of it myself. I guess there's enough good calfskin there to see the bets already made and raise \$2,500 more.' 'The other players sized up the shoe and then breaking into a hearty laugh laid down their hands. Big Foot raked in all the loose money in sight, and the strangers then opened their pocketbooks and counted out the amounts for which their leather stood.

"I've heard lots of times of fellows betting their clothes on a hand, but I doubt if you will find another instance in the history of draw poker where a player's shoe was good for a \$5,000 pot."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The Story of a Novel.

One of the most popular novels of the day had a strange history which might have been considered fatal to its success had it been known in advance. A New York author, whose books are always sure of a certain degree of popularity, finished all but the last few chapters of a novel. Try as he might, it was impossible for him to complete the story satisfactorily. So he put the book away, and for two years it lay unfinished in his desk, although the author thought of the work from time to time without being able to get any nearer a solution of the plot.

Finally he lost all hope of ever completing the work and decided to end it at a point several chapters in advance of that at which he had ceased to write. With this abrupt and unexpected ending the novel went to a publisher, was accepted, and it turned out one of the most popular novels this author has ever written. One of the most praised features of the book is its unconventional ending, which is said to be just explicit enough to satisfy everybody without going into inartistic detail. And the author was at one time so discouraged about the ending of the book that he had almost given up the idea of submitting it to any publisher.—New York Sun.

Good Story of Macaulay.

The following excerpt from Margaret Macaulay's little volume on her brother, which was printed in 1864 for private circulation, shows Macaulay's catlike ability always to fall on his feet:

"One day Tom said jokingly that there are some things which always inclined him to believe in the predominance of evil in the world. Such, he said, as bread always falling on the buttered side and the thing you want always being the last you come to. 'Now, I will take up volume after volume of this Shakespeare to look for 'Hamlet.' You will see that I shall come to it the last of all.' 'The first volume he took up opened on 'Hamlet.' Every one laughed. 'What can be a stronger proof of what I said?' cried he. 'For the first time in my life I wished that what I was looking for would come up last, and for the first time in my life it has come up first.'

Chinese Customs.

A correspondent of the London Graphic says that the friends of the dead in China beg permission to burn quaint pasteboard images of men and cattle shapd in crinkled paper on the spot where the dead lie. The ceremony is a mark of respect and is believed also to act as a sedative on the departed spirits. Another curious custom in China is the destruction at funerals of bogus bank notes bearing a huge face value, which are tokens that the friends of the dead are overwhelmed with grief and so forgetful of worldly matters they lavish their substance even to the verge of bankruptcy. These bogus notes are specially manufactured and sold for the financial effect they produce at a funeral.

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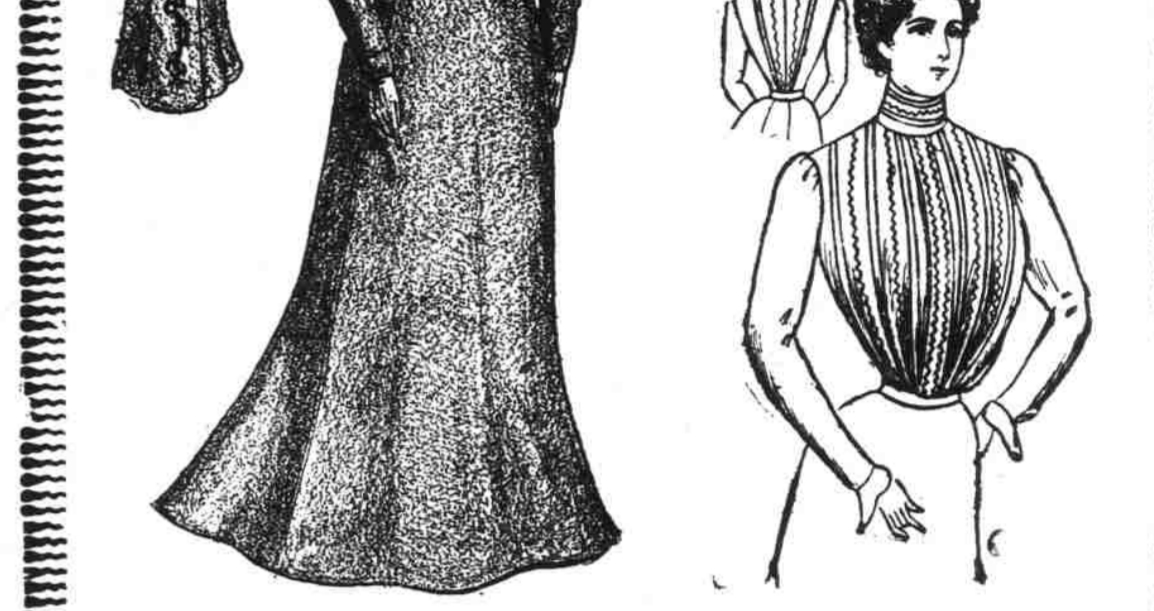
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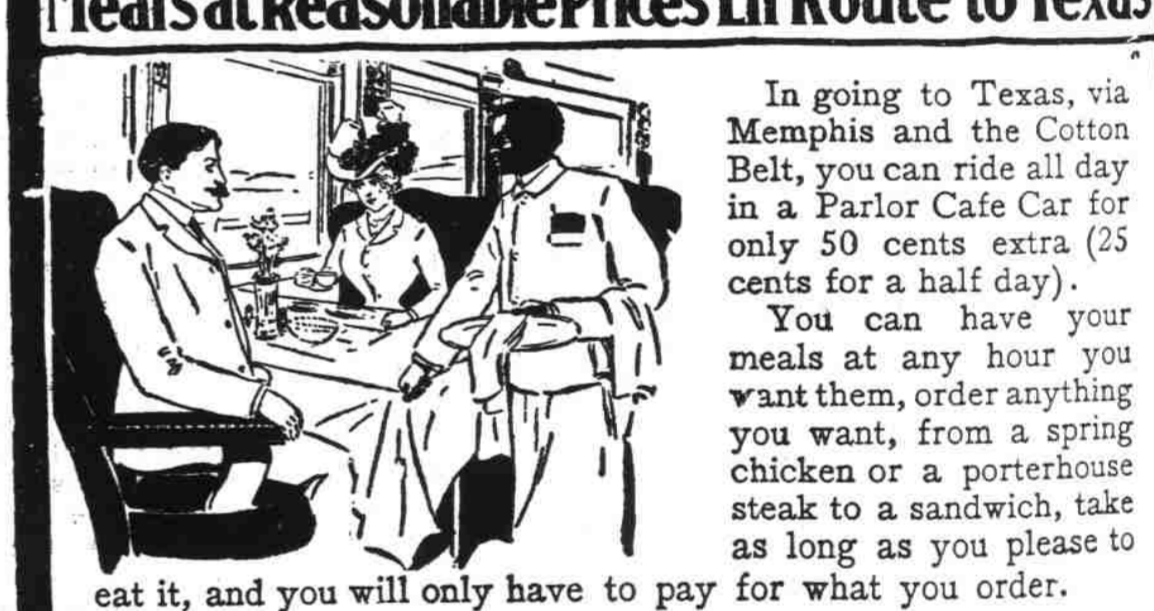


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