

LOTTERIES AND LUCK

TRICKS THAT HAVE BEEN PLAYED BY FICKLE FORTUNE.

Some instances that aptly illustrate the truth of the old adage that there is many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip.

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This was a melancholy exception to the rule that "second thoughts are always best." The ticket which she had exchanged for a hat, possibly worth a couple of guineas, succeeded in capturing the first prize of \$15,000.

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On one occasion the first prize in an Italian lottery, amounting to nearly \$5,000, fell to a man who had died three days before the raffle.

A German banker conceived the idea that the first prize in a certain lottery would fall to the holder of a ticket on which the figure three stood either alone or with others.

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Mysteries of Sound.

Many of the manifestations of sound are still a complete mystery to science. One of the best architects in New Orleans remarked the other day that a building with good acoustic properties was always a lucky strike, and that it was impossible to be absolutely certain in advance.

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LIVING IN THE COUNTRY.

The Growing Fondness For Rural Life a Good Sign. In The Ladies' Home Journal Edward Bok, with much satisfaction, notes the strong tendency to country living and believes that "it is one of the best signs of the times."

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Wet and Damp.

The sudden application of a wet sheet is stimulating to which the system responds with a reaction which sets up a brisk circulation, resulting in a healthy glow and general activity of the organs.

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Catarrh Leads to Consumption.

A Forerunner of the Most Fatal Disease.

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