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MONEY WON AND LOST.

FORTUNES MADE ON THE TURF IN A SINGLE RACING SEASON.

[From the Boston Courier.]

It is surprising to note the amount of money won and lost on the turf in purses and in the pool-box in a single season. A gentleman in this city who is struck on running races, and who keeps track of the winnings of all the leading horses, furnishes the following: Imported Glenelg, of the Elmendorf stud, heads the list of winning sires for the present racing season, \$110,000 to his credit; and Hindoo, of the Runymede stud, comes next with \$100,000; and Longfellow third with \$82,000. Glenelg's largest winners are Firenze \$24,000; Los Angeles, \$22,000; and Dry Monopole, \$17,000. Hindoo's are Hanover, \$85,000; and Jim Gore, \$6,000. The heaviest winners to the credit of Longfellow are Linden, \$17,000; The Bard, \$16,000; and Kaloolah, \$14,000. The largest winning two-year-old of the season is Emperor of Norfolk, he having won \$35,000. Dwyer Bros.' stable is first, and Lucky Baldwin's second in the list of winning stables. More money changes hands through the medium of the pool box during the season than is won in purses. Pittsburg Phil, who created such a sensation on the race course the past year, is one of the heaviest players the American turf has ever known. The writer saw a letter from Phil last week, and among other things he said: "I've been pretty lucky in Washington, and have won very close to \$20,000. My biggest winnings were \$3,000 on Barnum, \$5,000 on Patrocles, and \$5,500 on Vallant. They broke very bad for me at Baltimore, and during the meeting I dropped \$7,000. A great many people wonder how I beat the races. Well, I play the horses on their form. You see a horse at even money to-day. He loses, and the next day there is five to one against him. It may be that he only lost because of a jostle, or some other little accident. I've often only played one race a day and watched the rest. I've put a bet down when the horses broke away two or three times, and put as high as \$5,000 on that. Another point is that I play on the idea that luck is always going to turn. If I lost \$5,000 I usually bet \$2,000 to get even, and if I lost that I would double up again. It's very seldom that I play jockey, but I have been lucky on Garrison's and McLaughlin's mounts. I don't often take stable tips, except tips on Richmond, and I've made lots of money on him. The biggest bet I ever won was just after I was barred out by the bookmakers at Saratoga. I went to Moumouth Park and put up a neat little sum on Cambysea. I got odds of 15 to 1 straight and 6 to 1 for place, and I pulled off a clean \$20,000. It was the closest race I ever played, as Banner-Bearer, who came in second, was less than a head behind. The biggest wager I ever lost was \$10,000 on Brait at Jerome Park. I'm going to Florida after I leave Washington, and then I'll go to California. I'm going to see a good deal of the country before another season opens."

CUSTOMER (getting measured): "How much are those trousers going to cost me?"—Tailor: "Forty-two shillings, sir. How many pockets do you want in them?"—Customer: "None. I won't need any pockets after I've paid for the trousers."

Real Estate.

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A FEW FACTS ABOUT FOOTBALL.

We owe football to the Romans. There is no doubt that it "came over" to England with Julius Caesar. It was played, too, by the Greeks and, in all likelihood, but more ancient peoples before them. But the actual origin of the game is lost in the mists of Time. Fierce wordy warfare has been waged about the invent on of printing, of gunpowder, of the mariner's compass, and so on; but the mysteries would be trifles light as air compared with the effort, if any man were sane enough to make it, to discover the inventor of football. Depend up it, the simpler ball games are as old as the human race; and the man, woman, or child who first kicked something round, or threw it about sportively, gave rise to a rough-and-ready pastime out of which football and host of other games grew during the centuries. Do not, however, run away with the notion that when the finished Britons saw the Romans at their game they saw football played as it is played to-day in London or Glasgow. The pastime was of a much simpler sort than ours, though, curiously enough, the Greeks seem in some form of the game to have handled the ball in a way that suggests at least the crude idea of Rugby style. From the Romans the natives soon learned the game, and it got that firm foothold in this country which it has ever since retained. It is strange that football took root in the northern parts of England before the southerners adopted it; and it is recorded of the colliers of the north that they used to be in wait for the bridegroom as he left the church after the wedding ceremony, and demand money from him for the game.—*Little Folks Magazine.*

Lost, Found, Rewards.

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