

TO BEAT BANK MONTE CARLO

All That is Needed is Courage, Capital and Reasonable Luck.

GAME SQUARE

Absurd to Think Groupier Can Turn Up Given Numbers at Will.

By Walter Martin.

(Who has just returned to London after breaking the bank at Monte Carlo.)

London, April 10.—I have visited Monte Carlo for the last six years. This year I did extraordinarily well. I broke the bank at roulette three times within a week—each time I won in less than 150,000 francs. At another sitting, as the banker, and giving banque ouverte at blackjack, I lost 500,000 francs of my winnings, but taking the visit throughout I won enough to keep myself and my friends and come home with a handsome surplus.

Did I hypnotize the croupiers or the croupiers? Not a bit of it! And I disagree completely with what Countess Lawrence has said in his new book—that the croupiers can turn up any given number at will by skillful manipulation of the wheel. Such suspicions have existed in the minds of many other visitors, but they are merely superstitious.

Systems, Mr. Lawrence says, cannot win. But I believe that, given three things—courage, capital and reasonable luck, with a sensible plan of progressive staking—money can be made at Monte Carlo. One must be content to win very little at a time. Hoops of people today are making a living at the game, and they never play high.

I know, for instance, of an American who went to the Riviera for his health and is doing very nicely at the tables. He has actually kept himself there for the last eight years, winter and summer. He is not what one might call a gambler at all. When he went to the table, he was to win a roulette table. But watching the tables he came to the conclusion that he had discovered a very fine investment.

So he withdrew from America a small amount of capital that was bringing in between 5 and 7 per cent. Now each day he goes to the Casino with £100. He plays with five franc pieces, on a plan which he has devised, with so much success that the capital he withdrew is now bringing him in between 30 and 40 per cent. Carefulness is the whole secret. Only a novice goes to it haphazard.

It is equally true, though, that no infallible system of breaking the bank has been found, and that to my mind the best possible proof that roulette is absolutely a game of chance. It is absurd to suggest that any groupier can turn up given numbers at will—as absurd as to say, as they say, that a man who has won heavily once is doomed to be relieved of all his superfluous wealth the next time he visits the Casino.

Then man who operates the wheel and ball are human beings, as eager to become rich, if for the moment, as anyone. Don't you think, if you are as selfish as is suggested, they could be persuaded, for a handsome sum of money, to turn up a series of numbers arranged beforehand? I am prepared to agree that the croupier is able to spin the ball into a certain section of the wheel, but as for spinning into an exact number, that is altogether out of the question.

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SOLDIER STUDENTS DO GOOD WORK AT EXPERIMENTAL FARM

New Brunswick Boys Who Took Agricultural Course at Fredericton Did Well.

By W. W. Hubbard. Provision was made in April last for the establishment of a training class for returned soldiers who completed 'taking up farming in New Brunswick' under the terms made possible through the Soldiers' Settlement Board.

One of the buildings at the station was fitted up to provide sleeping and living accommodations for a class of twenty, and a superintendent of training was placed in charge under the Soldiers' Settlement Board. A twelve weeks course was designed during which each man would have a chance to learn the practical work of a farm, including live stock and dairy work, feedings, care and handling of a team, with practice in all field operations and all departments of the farm.

Several lectures were given each week, covering the choosing of a farm, farm management, rotation of crops, the theory and cultivating land, drainage and seed selection. The judging of live stock was also given some attention and discussion on care and feeding of stock. Special attention was given to the potato crop covering the selection, distillation and cutting of the seed, planting, fertilizing, cultivation and spraying, with a number of field lessons on the detection of disease in the growing crops.

The class and character of the men who took the course were surprisingly good; with but three exceptions, all showed a earnestness, industry and perseverance in acquiring all the information and practice they could get. A few were practically qualified when they came, others soon showed such aptness that they were passed along as soon as they wished to go into the swing of farm work.

The Soldiers' Settlement Board was fortunate in securing a superintendent who had a thorough training in the handling and control of men, and at the same time had a good practical knowledge of farm operations, and who was at all times glad to co-operate with the farm management by putting his men where they could best advance the work in hand.

One of the most useful and pleasing features of the course was the formation of a debating society, which the farm officials and employees also joined. Debating teams were chosen and judges appointed to score the addresses and give a decision, after which a social hour or two was spent with refreshments, music, and occasionally a dance enjoyed. The expense of these events was made possible by a small assessment on the members of the society and placing the expenditures in the hands of a committee.

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Canadian Navigator—Long wharf west.

BRIGADES COLLEGE
The Manchester Brigade sailed from Manchester on the 18th for this port. The Parsons Wilby Co. have two or three more vessels due here before the season closes.
Kanawha En Route
The S. S. Kanawha, Parsons Wilby Co., left Plymouth on the 17th for St. John bringing a cargo of three thousand tons, general cargo. She will load here for London.

ANTICIPATING WEEKLY SERVICE
The Canadian Merchant Marine is anticipating a weekly service between this port and Havana during the summer, according to J. P. Doherty, port agent of the line. He says that at present there is considerable labor trouble in the south and as a result the steamers are being delayed, but once the situation is cleared up the steamers will be run on regular schedule time.
Is At Port Arthur
Schooner Ada A. McIntyre has arrived at Port Arthur, Texas, from Mobile, according to a despatch received by her owner, Capt. Peter McIntyre, Main street.

CANADIAN PORTS
Halifax, April 19.—Arr. str. Canada, Portland, 8ld. str. Canada, Liverpool; Cassandra, Liverpool.
BRITISH PORTS
Gibraltar, April 18.—Arr. Duca D'Alata, New York from Naples.
FOREIGN PORTS
Boston, April 19.—Arr. str. Graeco Melkoby, Woods Harbor (N. S.); St. Louis, Port Monton (N.S.).
New York, April 19.—Arr. str. Italo, D'Italia, Naples; Kaiserin Auguste.

BELGIUM MAKING RAPID PROGRESS Toward Industrial Recovery
—No Serious Strikes Big Factor in This Showing.
Brussels, April 16.—(The Associated Press.)—Belgium has made rapid progress toward industrial recovery since the armistice, owing largely to the fact that the country has had no serious strikes, says M. Jaspars, Minister of Economic Affairs. He estimates that the nation's industrial output has now attained perhaps 70 per cent of its pre-war record and that its mines are producing as much as in the year before the war.

"HONEST JOHN BURNS" ON IRISH QUESTION
(Special Cross-Atlantic Cable Service to the Standard.)
"Honest John" Burns, M. P. former president of the Board of Trade, who resigned his seat in the cabinet at the outbreak of the war, and who has been silent ever since, broke the spell long enough today to give his opinion of the Irish tangle. "If the Home Rule bill of 1914 had become operative," said he, "Ireland would be peaceful and prosperous today; as it is conditions are terrible, and likely to become worse. Settle the Irish question and you have gone a long way to cement a unity of feeling between England, Ireland and the United States."

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ALEX. WILSON, Chairman.

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St. John, N. B., April 19, 1920.

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