

REPUTABLE BUSINESS MEN

To the Number of Four Sit in a Friendly Game of Draw.

Only for One Hour When They Would Go Home to Their Pets—A Good One by Geo. Ade.

One night four reputable business men sat down at the Green Baize to play with the goddess of fortune for one hour, no more, no less. The married men did not want to go home too early for fear that it would be too much of a shock to their wives.

These four good fellows, who may be designated as A, B, C and D, were up in A's room. Someone remarked that it was the mere shank of the evening—just the fringe of the night, as it were—and it seemed a shame to pull for home while so many other and more attractive resorts were still open.

A had been a room where everything went. So they followed him. A brought out the necessary tools and the four comrades squared away.

It was to be a gentleman's game. No one at the table wanted to take money out of a friend's pocket. They put on an easy limit of 10 cents, so that no one could win or lose enough to hurt.

They had to make it an object in order to keep their blood in circulation, but it was agreed that one fleeting hour of 10-cent limit would not make or break any one. And it was positively understood and agreed that when the cuckoo-clock booted for 11 o'clock, that was to be the signal.

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A had been cleaned properly, and he was so mad he was breathing through his nose. He produced his bank book to show that he was good for any amount, and then he abolished the limit and announced that he was out for good and would show no quarter.

Then the game settled down to the kind in which somebody lays \$14 on a pair of sevens and gets whooped \$9 by some other desperado holding nines, and nobody bats an eyelash.

deep in the hole so they all came down to their shirt sleeves and got ready for rough work. They began to edge with the colored beans and friendship ceased. A had a run of luck and he crowded it like a shylock.

Every time he skinned his first set and found it promising, he raised them out of their chairs. It was a half dollar per throw and somebody was thrown every deal.

Before long he had them buying, and B had opened a tab with the bank. A began to hum a popular air, just to show that he could gamble without losing his temper.

He had all kinds corded up in front of him, and he was exceeding bilthe. He said he was going to buy some nice etchings for his room and put in an ice box and have everything right in case a few friends dropped in like this.

Then he glanced up at the clock and said that probably they had better make it midnight. At this the other three let out a roar that would have been a credit to Niagara.

They said they were going to hang on until they got revenge. He explained that somebody had to quit loser and besides, they couldn't sit up all night.

The doctor had told him to get plenty of sleep. They scoffed at him and told him to get a hot brick and put his feet on it.

B arose and removed his flowered waistcoat, rolled up his sleeves and said they would let up on fooling and begin in earnest.

They would play nothing but jacks and it would cost one dollar to associate. With that they closed in and every man was playing so near to his shirt bosom that he had to back off to read his hand.

The light conversation had died away. It was now a case of getting the heart's blood. They talked in low, sick room whispers and eyed each other stealthily.

Each of the four wondered if the game was absolutely on the square. Along about 2 o'clock after the luck had been seen-sawing, B had four trays and refused to take cards.

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Mr. Choate began newspaper work in the Peterborough Review, afterwards went to the Toronto World, became financial editor of the old Empire, and, on its absorption by the Mail, succeeded Mr. Jehu Matthews as financial and commercial editor.

Printer and Publisher. Chinese Indemnity. Washington, June 10.—The government has formally communicated to the foreign powers the impossibility of joining in a joint guarantee for the payment of the Chinese indemnity.

The difficulties in the way of such an arrangement are set forth in the communication, particularly those relating to the constitutional restrictions on the president in making a joint guarantee of this character.

In view of the determination of the United States not to be a party to a joint guarantee, there is anxiety shown in diplomatic circles as to the outcome on the question of indemnities.

One view is that the majority of the powers being favorable to a joint instrument and thereafter carry on a concert of their own. In that event, it is said the United States would arrange directly with China as to the United States' portion of the indemnity.

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To the Above Named Defendant, Fred Trump: Take notice, that this action was on the 17th day of June, 1907, commenced against you, and that the plaintiff in his writ of summons claims: An accounting of all partnership business; partition or sale of said partnership business; such other and further relief as the nature of the case may require; costs of this action.

And take notice that the court has by order dated the 17th day of June, 1907, authorized service of the said writ of summons on you by the insertion of this notice for three weeks after the date of said order in the Nugget newspaper.

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