

**TIPS ON OCEAN STEAMERS.**

**Devices by Which They Are Wooded From the Unwary.**

The steamship hands of the ocean liners have a systematic game for drawing tips from the pockets of unsuspecting passengers that rivals anything ever perpetrated by the most expert hotel employees. The game is called "sea draughts" or "sea checkers," and consist of a number of clever "moves" well known to every sailor, steward, cabin boy and deckhand.

Those who know these "moves" the best are, however, very reluctant to reveal just how they are practiced, and they would still be dark secrets but for the information gathered by Dr. O'Laughlin, senior physician of the White Star line.

"Sea draughts," says the doctor, "is briefly the game, or rather a game, by which our men add to their wages by wooing money out of our patrons' pockets. It took me years to become acquainted with even the rudiments of the game, and but for the information received from a smoking room steward whom I treated through a serious illness I should still be in ignorance on the subject."

"To the experienced deckhand there are, I believe, 254 'moves' in sea draughts. Move No. 1 consists in 'spotting'—i. e., in carefully watching—the passengers on the deck or as they come aboard, so as to select those with liberal, kindly faces and to avoid those who have been too openly taken in on previous voyages."

"Move No. 2 is to approach a passenger in need of a match and, as if on the spur of the moment, to offer him a light. If the smoker be at all free with his money, he is pretty sure to fish out some small reward for this attention. The smoking room steward has special facilities for playing move No. 2. It lies within his power to let the smoking room stock of matches run down and then to dispatch a confederate in search of would-be smokers along the deck. The confederate appears in the nick of time."

"Move 22 begins with the sly addition of some chalk, or even paint, to the favorite seat of a liberal passenger. The passenger in question returns to his pet spot, and all unconsciously sits down. Suddenly he is aroused by the exclamation of an apparently horrified deckhand: 'Lor, sir, you've been and sat in some paint. Never mind, though. I'll get it off for you. I never comes aboard without some benzine.' In the case of chalk a clothes brush is produced with equal readiness."

"Let the traveler ponder over his past experience upon the vast deep and recall whether he has ever yielded up his worldly wealth in response to some of the 254 'moves' of sea draughts."—New York Journal.

**A Zulu Woman's Opinion.**

Mrs. Dube, a native Zulu woman, who was educated in an American mission school in Natal, says that on coming to this country the strangest thing to her was the quantity of clothes that the women here have. The women seem to be always buying new clothes or having them made in new styles.

"Now in Zululand," she says, "those of us who wear clothes wear them until they are old. American women demand much attention. You want to be made a great deal of and you want the men to wait on you so much. In Africa it's different, I tell you. The women wait on the men there. Not but what I guess I like the change a little," she admitted meditatively, "but you go to the other extreme here. When you have ever so little a trouble you feel it so much. That is because you have been petted until you do not know how to be strong."—New York Tribune.

**The Boy Gatling.**

Mr. Richard Gatling, the inventor of the famous gun which bears his name, was a dabbler in science at the age of 12. At that time his father was puzzling over a machine for sowing cotton seeds; but, try as much as he would, he could not perfect it, and at last, in a fit of despair, he called in young Richard to his aid. The lad listened attentively to the details of the proposed invention, fully grasped the difficulties, shut himself up in a room to think, and in a little while suggested a way out of them. This was eagerly adopted by the elder Gatling, with the result that the machine was perfected and became a great success.

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