

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

For obvious reasons, we answer no questions verbally or by mail or telegraph, except those coming from Presidents or Proprietors of race-tracks or conductors of important events in sports within our scope which demand immediate decision.

P. H. G., Minneapolis, Minn.—A, B, C and D are playing poker. There comes a jack pot, which is opened by A with two nines and two trys, his fifth card being a jack. B stays, while C and D drop out. Before the draw A makes the following remark: "I suppose a man is at liberty to split his openers and draw to a flush or a straight."

INQUIRER, Herkimer, N. Y.—1. Has either Bijou, by War Path, dam Goldmine, or Bijou, by Imp. Australian, dam Geneva, ever produced any winners? 2. What are they? 3. Were either of them ever bred to George Kinney? 4. If so, what is the produce? 5. Has the bay gelding Rally, by G. B. Bruce, dam Tina M., started anywhere this Fall?

J. H. V., New Orleans, La.—A, B, C and D are playing whist. A leads; B follows suit, and C demands to see the last trick turned before playing. D protests and claims that a player has no right to see the last trick turned while there's a trick pending on the table.

G. H. S., New York—1. Where could I learn the method of handicapping races. I understand there are various ones in vogue; also, that there is one known as the "Old Brooklyn Method."

J. T. G., New York City—1. Give pedigree of Imp. Glenlyon, the sire of Gonfalon, whose dam was Goddola. 2. Was Glenlyon of any account as a race-horse?

S. C., Nashville, Tenn.—Lansom bets Coan \$40 to \$25 that Turney is elected. John Demerville bets Coan \$50 to \$40 Turney beats Evans for Governor, November election, 1894.

J. C. L., Watertown, N. Y.—Give pedigree of Louis R., Answer—Louis R. (Kilkenny), chestnut colt, foaled 1888, by George Kinney, dam Bijou, by War Path; 3d dam Goldmine, by Imp. Australian; 3d dam Income, by Revenue; 4th dam Madeline, by Boston; 5th dam Magnolia, by Imp. Glencoe; 6th dam Myrtle, by Mameluke.

BALTIMORE, Md.—Give the breeding of Lucy B., claimed to be standard and registered. She is a bay mare, 15 1/2 hands, sired by Pasacas, son of Almont, 33, dam by Mambrino Rattler.

A CONSTANT READER, Covington, Ky.—A wills \$500 to B and her heirs. C, administrator of A's estate, compromises with B by giving her \$300. Has B a right to compromise and can her heirs recover the \$200 by law?

H. C. V.—Give pedigree and record of trotting horse (gelding) Rival, said to be by Smuggler, with a record about 2:26 or 2:27.

S. C. D., Pittsfield, N. H.—A game of pitch, bid to the board. A and B are 9 apiece. A bids B 2 and B takes it. A plays and makes high, jack game; B makes low and claims out and takes the money.

H. H. S., Canal Dover, O.—A bets B that by weighing a tub partly filled with water and putting a five-pound fish in it that the scales won't vary an ounce. Who wins?

P. F. M., New York.—In a game of draw poker does the edge pass to the next man playing if the party who holds the edge drops out before the draw takes place?

Many questions stand over till next week.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT

PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SICK OR INJURED HORSES AND CATTLE.

BY R. A. FINLAY, D. V. S.

Subscribers to or regular purchasers of this paper who have sick or injured horses or cattle, can have advice through this column, gratis, by sending an account of the complaint they desire advice upon.

Communications to this Department referring to the previous question or communication should give the number in which inquiry appeared, as well as the name under which the letter appeared.

Venous Congestion.

A large thoroughbred horse, eight years old, which had been standing still for some ten days, owing to a slight injury to a hoof, and during this time had been given too much to eat, suddenly became dumpy, stopped eating, and stood with his head hanging down and eyes partly closed.

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