## FEMININE GAMBLERS

Women Who Have Won Fame By Reckless Wagers.

RUNS IN THE FRENCH BLOOD

Prance Has Furnished the Greatest Number of These Furious Plungers-Nell Gwynn's Daring Play-The Act of Lonna Paquita.

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nem gamblers of a high order. Mme. bottle free, de Montespan won so much at basset, her favorite game, that Louis IV. was delighted and borrowed some of her winnings, but she lost a great deal at times, and her play grew so furious that in 1682 Louis abolished the game. It is recorded of madame that she, one night, while the king looked on at play. risked a sum equal to £40,000 on a single card and that the king grumbled when no one could be found to cover the bet. But madame also lost, one New Year night, 700,000 crowns at hoca and on anter night almost £200,000 at the same game.

Mme. du Barry was the most famous woman gambler of the time of Louis . XV. but with her it was only a pastime. But that other favorite, Mme, de Pompadour, went in with the sole object of winning, if she could. It is recorded that her winnings were enormous and that in a single night she eased the pockets of the king of 25,000 louis d'or.

Queen Marie Antoinette, according to history, was a gambler who liked to be surrounded by gamblers. Fare was the entire estates wiped out in a single Post-Dispatch. nt. Scandal rose high, and the game was forbidden. Nevertheless, in a short time it was being carried on again not only in the apartments of the queen, but at the house of the Princess de Lamballe. At first the queen and those who desired to play with her went to the apartments of Mme. de Guemene, whose house is credited with having been the scene of the highest continued play of any in France. But matters got so bad before the end came that noblemen would no longer play with the queen, and she admitted to her table many common gamblers. Then the scandal broke in full force, for some were caught cheating, and one was even arrested for picking a pocket.

Possibly the most famous woman as they were at the French court. Nell Gwynn lost £5,000 to her rival, the carried on in that reign. After the day. Duchess of Mazarin, piece of the cardinal, had lost £1,000,000 she died in ab solute want.

The acknowledged queen of American women gamblers was Lonna Parule over outlaws and cowboys. The of age when she fell in with an old face sat in the class room, time gambler named Qualetor, who taught her every trick known to the gambler's art. She made her first appearance in Paso del Norte. She was bird that got the worm." only a child, and the rough gamblers laughed at her.

But they soon found that they were no match for her, and that even her teacher, Qualetor, was a tenderfoot compared with the child. With the passing years Lonna Paquita grew to be a beautiful woman. Her hair was as black as night, she had eyes that confounded those of the gambiers who handsome a woman as one could wish to see, but with heart of ice and nerves defied the watchfulness of the keenest Hart and leading druggists, gambler.

There were many people who thought it was merely luck that followed her, but the luck kept up too long, and the gamblers who knew a few tricks themselves understood that it was "art." Still, no one was ever known to catch her cheating. Before she was twenty Lonna Paquita was in New Mexico leading a gang of the worst characters

of the southwest. Paguita was found to be their leader Sold by Frank Hart,

and was caught. She only hughed when she was taken, and proposed that a game of cards be played to see whether she should go free or kill herself. This was agreed to, and one of the party, a gambler known the country around, was selected. The woman lost. Those who looked on had scarce ly time to understand this when Louna Paquita drew a knife from her belt and plunged it into her heart.

The women of today, although they doubtless gamble as heavily as to other times, incline more to speculation in stocks. The new woman will go on gambling, but appearances show that she cares a great deal more for the money there is in it than she does for the notoriety of being a gambler.-Liverpool Mercury.

Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you From time to time throughout the He mys: "I suffered agonies, because of Sourished and declined. The pages of history tell over and over again the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. story of great women gamblers. I tried many remedies, without relief, France has furnished the greater num- until I took Dr. King's New Discovery ber of these, but England has not been for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, far behind, while America has put which entirely cured my cough, and forth many whose fame has become in- saved me from consumption."A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat There seems to be something in the and Lungs. At Chas. Rogers druggist; blood of French women that makes price 500 and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial

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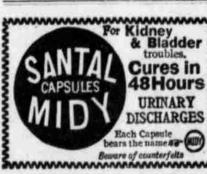
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