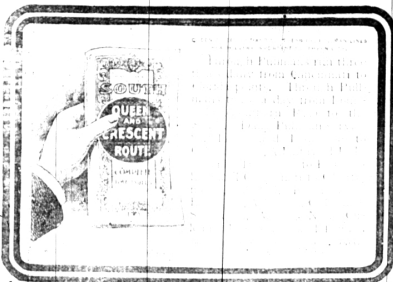


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 "In the book of poetry are 300 pieces, but the delectable of them may be embraced in that sentence: have no depraved thoughts."  
 "It is to be not a man of complete virtue who feels no contempt, though men may talk to note of him only the sage is equal to this."  
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### UNDOING OF A BUNKO.

The boom in the bunko market caused by the early separation of the Aid. French of Brooklyn from \$5,000 of his good money by two expert youths on Monday was severely offset yesterday by an occurrence in the Broadway Central hotel in which a pair of the brotherhood of bunko-stealers figured respectively second and third to John Kasser of Arizona. The pair invested a little cash and considerable time and trouble in Mr. Kasser, and though he didn't pan out, they still have cause for thankfulness that they are alive, though battered.

Mr. Kasser is superintendent of the Live Oak Copper Mining and Smelting company with mines at Globe, Ariz., and he is here with his wife on a visit to the city at the Broadway Central. Mr. Kasser is of foreign extraction. He is possessed of a slight air, a friendly smile, and a social aspect, at least in the opinion of those who have met him. When he comes to New York he doesn't follow the example of some of his western friends and cut himself out of the city, but he stays in a hotel and goes about the city in a friendly way. He is a very good-looking man, and he is very popular among the city people.

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SAY, MY FRIENDS, DO YOU PLAY CARDS?

"Going out, I see," continued the stranger, glancing at the other man. "Going out?" "Yes, to play cards." "What's your line of business, any way?" "I'm a superintendent of a copper mine." "Oh, well, you wouldn't be offended just because I'm a stranger?" persisted the other, looking somewhat hurt. "What have you got against strangers, any way?" "Nothing in particular, answered the visitor, but I've heard that New York was full of bunco men and swindlers."

"Oh, heh! Haha-ha! That's right," cried the other, slapping Mr. Kasser on the back. "You took me for a bunco man, didn't you?" "I don't know," said Mr. Kasser, smiling at the other as if he were his own friend. "Well, if you're coming to play cards, I'll be glad to see you." "I don't play cards," said Mr. Kasser, "but I'll be glad to see you." "I don't play cards," said Mr. Kasser, "but I'll be glad to see you." "I don't play cards," said Mr. Kasser, "but I'll be glad to see you."

### I guess you're out for a good time, eh?

A slow, warm smile overspread the westerner's placid face. "There's a little game running up town very quietly and I can put you next. Stay my friend, he added to the man on the other side of the table, "do you play cards?" "Yes, sir," growled lowly of the prettier face.

"Come on then, we'll all go there and have a little friendly game," said the friendly man, heartily. He started to rise, but felt Mr. Kasser's hand on his shoulder, and saw Mr. Kasser's smiling smile very close to his own face. "Have you got a pencil?" asked Mr. Kasser. "Why, certainly, what do you want of it?" "I want you to write your name on this piece of paper."

"That's all right, I won't do it." The smile disappeared from the face of Mr. Kasser. His hand slipped along the shoulder of the friendly stranger and settled on the neck of the other. The stranger hurried across the bar to ward the office, but he was in vain. The friendly man followed him, and a very friendly conversation was had between them.

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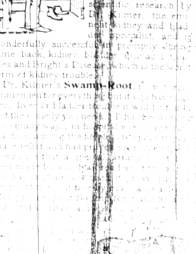
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