

placed above a line, and do not affect the scoring by tricks for the games. The ultimate result of all scoring when the rubber has been won embraces the figures above and below a line.

When all the scores have been added up the lesser number is deducted from the greater and the balance is the score of the winning pair.

**HINTS ON THE PLAY.**

The "game" is therefore the goal to aim for—that is, to reach the score of thirty, by tricks only, before the adversaries; and this point should always be remembered, while keeping in mind whatever score has been already reached.

Supposing A and B—partners—have already reached a score of 28 by tricks, they only need two to complete their "game," and should bear this in mind when, having the choice of trumps, relying on a certainty of making the necessary two points by tricks rather than risking a possible higher score. And this hint is useful when their adversaries are far behind them.

But supposing A and B are only 22, and therefore want eight points to complete the "game." Then, if they have a fair hand of hearts it is worth risking the higher win or loss—speculating a little, that is, with regard to their score—as if they made spades trumps the odd trick would only give them two points, making them 24 points only towards the desired 30.

Do not declare "no trumps" unless a really good all-round hand is held, with three aces at least, or a very long sequence suit, commencing with an ace, with a good chance of obtaining the lead.

The dealer's partner should always remember that his cards are to be shown on the table. This point should be considered when he is inclined to make "no trumps," supposing his partner desired him to choose what are to be trumps.

Speaking generally, the rules as to the play are the same as those governing "dummy" whist.

**SCORE FOR BRIDGE.**

If Trump	Spades	Clubs	Di'monds	Hearts
Tricks count	2	4	6	8
<b>Honours</b>				
3	4	8	12	16
4	10	16	24	32
5	14	24	36	48
4 in 1 hand	16	32	48	64
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5th in part	18	36	54	72
6th in part	20	40	60	80
7 in 1 hand	20	40	60	80
<b>Slam (33 tricks)..... 40</b>				
<b>Petty slam (12 tricks)..... 20</b>				
<b>No trump in hand..... 3 honours</b>				
<b>When no trump odd tricks count 12 each</b>				
<b>And in place of honours—</b>				
3 Aces..... 30				
4 Aces..... 40				
4 Aces in one hand..... 100				
4 Aces below the line..... 30				
Rubber..... 100				

—From "Home Chat."

**Trained Nurses by the Hour.**

The new departure of hiring trained nurses by the hour is becoming more and more popular in New York, where three or four years ago the experiment was first tried, and is being introduced into other cities throughout the country. The suggestion was first made by Miss Kimber, a young English woman, who graduated at the Belle Vue Training School in the eighties, and after a few years' practice of her profession in New York returned to her home in England. She pointed out to her associates that only the comparatively wealthy could afford to pay the weekly fees of twenty-five to thirty dollars (£5 to £6), and also that in the average city household the limited room allowed no accommodation for a nurse.

It happens too in many cases of illness that a trained nurse is not a necessity except at certain times of the day. Miss Kimber and a number of other graduate nurses then announced their willingness to pay hourly visits at the very moderate rate of 30 cents (about 2s) for the first hour and twenty-five cents for each additional hour or fraction of an hour. Now all the nurses' registries in New York keep lists of those who give

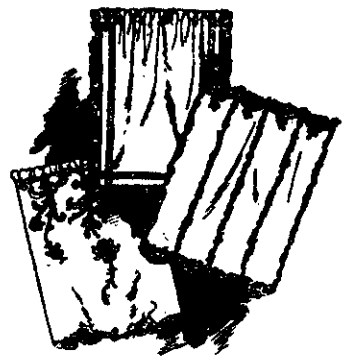
hourly as well as weekly services, and the demand for them is increasing steadily from the usual private sources and from physicians who need assistance in trifling operations or in emergency cases. The plan has been of great benefit to the nurses as well as to their patrons.

The profession is one of the most fatiguing in which a woman can engage, and long rests between difficult cases are absolutely necessary to her health. Thus a nurse's income which seems large is not really so, owing to these periods of enforced idleness. To be able to earn a little without working many hours in the day is of manifest advantage to the resting nurse. Again, many women who take the hospital training course have homes of their own, and prefer to spend most of their time in the domestic atmosphere.

To such the hourly engagements are especially congenial, keeping them in constant touch with their work and affording them a certain income.

**WORK COLUMN.**

In all probability, after all the clean paper is up, it will be found necessary to have new short blinds. So it is just as well to consider what is to be had that is novel in this direction. The kind of short blind, such as I have illustrated here, has for some time been the leading favourite in French houses, and it is just beginning to become popular here. It consists of muslin or silk made especially for the purpose, having lace insertions and either lace edging or scalloped borders. The curtains are meant to hang prettily from brass rings sliding on very thin brass rods. The simplest of these curtains would not be difficult to make at home, but the more elaborate ones it is better to buy ready-made.



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