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OLD BACKGAMMON STAGES A COMEBACK; REVIVAL OF THE GAME SPREADS TO HOMES the proper points. One player moves all his men to the right according

version of young ladies who wore trains out of Godey's Lady's Book. which most of us consider as exciting a tidle-de-winks seems threatened at

been provided in the men's clubs for two of the older men to play a and It is a game of great skill, played zers. young men returned from a quiet they declared with the backgammon affairs of inlaid wood and ivory. player's contempt for these flimsy imitations. It was all science and and it was one of the very few both sides.

Croquet was one of the genteel di- games meant for two players.

land lawns today. Now backgammon men who had been waiting two opponent's men. and at this season it is quite usual lery may be found about the tables scores a hit, or game.

How Game Is Played.

The fold down the

table each player sets up eight men on the other seven, and three along the proper points. One player moves to the throws of the dice, the other player to the left, so that the men of the opponents are constantly passing each other. As in checkers a The craze began to spread. The man overtaken by an opponent's man past season bagged more deer than in by one month. An then a rowdier generation seized clubs which had gone along peace- may be sent to the bar (correspond- any other year, according to preliminupon the game and made it into the ably for years without adding to ing to home) but if there are two or ary reports received by the State cross between golf and personal their backgammon equipment found more men on any point the points is Game Commission. There were about dents among hunters, compared with assault that is played on Long Is the card room surging with impatient covered and must be jumped by the 14,500 deer killed or approximately forty-seven in 1926, reports to the

hours for a chance at the tables. An It is the object of the player to Twenty-five elk were killed, the dents totaling 317, compared with 244 they were young men! At the Rac- move his men from point to point in greatest number since an open sea- last year. The majority of the accithe hands of a reckless generation quet Club the play is said to run into order to get them all into his home son was declared on these animals dents occurred during the small game SEEDED or SEEDLESS to whose love of gambling nothing large money—sometimes \$50 or more table the side of the inner table several years ago. There were 319 season, John B. Truman, executive secit seems is sacred, says the New a game is the stake and a game is nearer him. Once there they are bear shot, compared with 660 in 1926, retary, said. He declared that he was usually shorter than the average taken off table according to throws the decrease being assigned to early unable to explain this condition unless bridge rubber. At the Knickerbocker of the dice and the player who gets hibernation of the animals. and University Clubs an eager gal all of his men off the table first,

from four in the afternoon Two ordinary dice are used for the for two of the older men to play a until late at night. Backgammon it throws and the numbers that show Estimates on the kill of other aniappears is a fine game for the kibit may be applied separately one to mals and birds were: Rabbits, 3,300,each of two men or both to moving 000, compared with 2,700,000 in 1926; during the year, ending May 31, next, But it is in the private homes the same man the combined number squirrel, 1,200,000, about the same as but it has never been considered at week end parties and after the of spaces. If a player throws doubt in the 1926 season; raccoon, 20,000, a the sort of game that broke up theatre that the craze is most evi- les he has twice as many moves as decrease of about 50 per cent, the fallfriendships. This fall however two dent. It is just as hard work as the the numbers on the dice indicate. If ing off being ascribed to an increasing land under contract and estimates that old word and question games and a player gets all of his men off the scarcity of the animals; wild turkey, the money which would be available summer vacation filled with enthus- more expensive. The sporting shops board before the opponent has any 9500, on which there was a closed seaiasm for the game which they had alarmed at the sudden increase of men off the game counts as a gam- son in 1926; ruffled grouse, 300,000, learned in some sleepy little town in orders have been making up boards mon or twice a hit. If none of the about the same as in 1926; ring-neck the South. It was far more exacting at a great rate and besides the com- opponent's men has reached his side pheasant, 180,000 ,an increase of apthan horses or minaroot or parches! mon \$7 type there are now elaborate of the table by the time the winner's proximately 100 per cent.; bobwhite men are all off it is a backgammon quail, 200,000, an increase of more or triple game.

The game is played on a board It is after the host has scored a skill but provided planty of thrills with triangles known as points, along backgammon that the old cry of most often heard in Park avenue

middle divides the board into two tables, the inner and outer. On one 14,500 DEER AND 67 HUNTERS KILLED IN THE PENNSYLVANIA WOODS DURING PAST SEASON

(Harrisburg Patriot.)

Pennsylvania hunters during the season which was shortened in 1927 3000 more than in 1926.

game killed, it was announced that the some game and increasing carelesspast season has been one of the best ness in the handling of firearms.

than 40,000, and woodcock, 40,000, a

"James my hat and stick" will be apartments during the coming year.

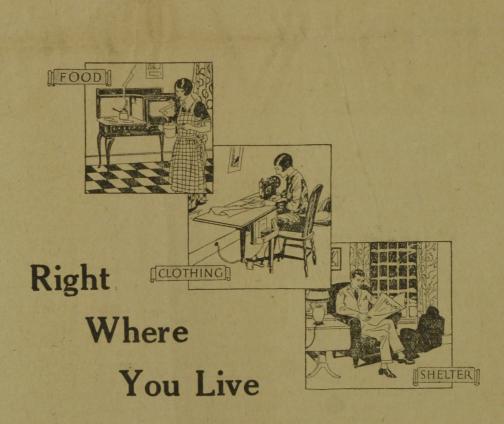
decrease of about 20,000, due to the

Sixty-Seven Fatalities.

There were sixty-seven fatal acci-Commission disclosed. Non-fatal acciit was due to a concentartion of hunt-Combined with other figures on ers, on account of the short season on

000, permitting the purchase of more

Ross L. Leffler, of McKeesport, was elected president of the Commission, and Jared M. B. Reis, New Castle, vice-president. John B. Truman, was re-elected executive secretary.



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