

Tales of the Turf.

ABOUT A DREAM TIP—AND A BET KING EDWARD FORGOT.

Don't trust racing "tips" that you get in your dreams!

That's the moral of this little story, told by Major Harding Cox, who, the night before the Jubilee Stakes one year, dreamt that a horse named Euclid (No. 9 on the card) had won. Next day, on arriving at Waterloo Station, on the way to Kempton, he bought and scanned a race card with feverish haste. There was a horse running called Euclid, and its number was 9. He backed it, and won a "pot" of money.

All his friends knew of this, and jokingly told him, when the eve of the Duke of York's race came round, to go to bed and try to dream again! He did. And in the dream a voice said: "Do as you did before."

Dream Let Him Down! This was not very clear. Did it mean that he was again to back Euclid, who was also running in this race, or did it mean that he was to back No. 9 on the card, which was a horse called Miss Dollar.

Eventually he decided to back Euclid.

Miss Dollar won—at 100 to 1. The above story is told by Major Cox in his newly-published "Gaming and Racing," a book which will appeal to all lovers of sport. Here's another yarn:—

King Edward once won £1,000 on the Derby—and forgot all about it! It happened while he was Prince of Wales. Three weeks before the race was due to be run His Royal Highness approached Major Harding Cox, and asked him to place a bet for him on a horse called Jeddah.

Mr. Cox did so, securing the excellent price of £1,000 to £80.

Forgotten About the Bet.

Afterwards he laid a similar wager on his own behalf, and a third on behalf of Mrs. Langtry, whose guest he happened to be at the time.

Jeddah—a rank outsider—won at 100 to 1. But neither the Prince nor Mrs. Langtry remembered the bet! Mr. Cox found them on the conclusion of the race lamenting their lack of foresight. Their faces, however, quickly became wreathed in smiles when he reminded them of their good fortune.

The author raises one very interesting point. It is—there something unlucky about the pronoun "The" as regards the Derby?

No horse with "the" in front of its name has ever won it. The Bard, a hot favourite, was beaten in 1886. The Baron, another greatly-fancied horse, also failed; while The Tetrach, after being heavily backed, went wrong during his training shortly before the race.—Pearson's Weekly.

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Out in Sacramento, Cal., where the inhabitants are celebrating the famous gold discovery of 1849, the City Council on April 27 passed a resolution making it a punishable offence for any male resident of the city to shave or be shaved until the celebration closes on May 28. The object is to have the men resemble as closely as possible the hardy adventurers who poured into the California gold fields in those early days. These strong determined men came from all quarters of the globe. Many of them walked across the continent over untouched prairie and desert and over the Rocky Mountains, where there were no Indian trails. There were no trains in those days. Others from the Atlantic Coast states sailed in schooners down the coast of America from New York, tramped across Panama, and took ship again on the Pacific north to San Francisco, where they resumed their walk. Both by foot and vessel, the going was hard and beset with perils from nature and man, yet many overcame all obstacles. All were spurred on by the lure of gold, which has acted as a lodestone to man from the earliest times.

The Forty-niners were whiskers partly because they were in vogue in untamed America and partly because shaving with cold and often alkaline

water was a nuisance. They also wore belts, but they were of leather and held their pants up. They smoked plug tobacco in pipes and chewed the weed, like any billiard. They did not wear wrist watches and had never seen spats. Indeed, they did not even have boot laces, for their breeches were good old high cowhide Wellingtons. But the powerful fellows did pioneer work and prepared a great virgin territory for the railway and other conveniences to come. The citizens of Sacramento, with their belted coats, spats, wrist watches, cigarettes and clean collar-a-day will have to grow more than whiskers to bear striking resemblance to the physically big and courageous fellows of the gold days of 1849.—The Review, Montreal.

Naiads and Water Beetles Insect Engineers.

It is claimed that the diving bell was invented by a spider. At least we are certain that if it was not actually invented by him it was used by him long before the hydraulic engineers made one for the same purposes.

The diving bell, as is well known, is a cup-shaped body, with an open end, which is let into the water. The air is caught in the bell and keeps the water from rising beyond a certain level from any specified depth and, of course, allowing any one inside to breathe and act as if he were on dry land. The improvement of the diving bell, known as the calson, is a huge pipe that has compartments, into which the air is pumped from above. The spider's bell is filled more in this manner than in the other.

The name given to these little spiders is very appropriate—the naiads, of the family of arachnids. A naiad will build a little house of waterproof silk, held fast by strands fixed to the neighboring blades of grass and stones several feet under water. He completes the entire structure before filling it with air—as if he knew that the air would tend to make it rise to the top, and thus hinder the attaching of the anchors.

The naiad swims down from the surface with bubbles of air and turns them loose in the city structure. The process is repeated several times until the little house is full of air. Of course, the open end of this house is down, and this has to act also as the entrance to it.

Another peculiar thing about naiads is that they never get wet. They have thousands of small hairs on their bodies which hold and keep the air from being washed off when they enter water, and so the air sticks and water cannot approach.

The water beetle is probably the only other insect engineer. In the naiad's class, it builds a waterproof nest under water, but does not live in it. It merely lays its eggs in the nest, seals it up and leaves.

The mason bee, as its name implies, is a builder of structures of stone and mortar. The nest is attached to almost any solid structure and actually does consist of small stones cemented to-

gether with mortar. The house consists of many cells of oval shape, and into each an egg is laid. The cell is lined with silken webs by the mother, who gets out of it by a hole in its top. Before leaving, however, she hermetically seals up the cell.

Brairs of Russia Are Dying.

STUDENTS WORK ALL DAY; DO LESSONS AT NIGHT.

LONDON. (Associated Press).—The Soviet Government is really trying to further education in Russia, but because of the lack of supplies and above all the lack of food, "the brains of Russia are dying at present," says E. T. Colton, of Montclair, N.J., who has just returned from Moscow, where he was the Young Men's Christian Association representative on the staff of the American Relief Administration. Mr. Colton's work was confined to investigating conditions among professors and students with a view to affording them A. R. A. relief. This was subsequently given.

"There are more bona fide students in Russia now than there were before the war," Mr. Colton said. "There are many more women students than men even in the mining schools. They are short of all supplies from text books to laboratory instruments. Moreover the professors, most of whom were on the verge of starvation, had no energy left to do research or creative work. Consequently Russian education is not what it was."

PROFESSORS DIE OF STARVATION

It was Mr. Colton who drew up the feeding program for from 7,500 to 10,000 Russian students which the A. R. A. initiated in Moscow, Petrograd and Kazan. It is confined to the two higher classes of university students, a great number of whom are mature men and women, because they abandoned their studies in 1914 to go into war work in some form.

"We chose these," Mr. Colton explained, "because they will get soonest into the productive life of Russia. We couldn't possibly feed all, with our resources." One curious thing about the Russian universities is that most of them now function at night for a great percentage of the students work during the day in order to earn some money. "There have been many famine deaths among professors and students," Mr. Colton declared. "There will probably be no question but that as a class they are suffering greatly. For the professors to do creative work under present conditions is out of the question. The miracle is that they can work at all, and unless help comes to them quickly, the best brains of Russia will die for lack of food."

EXPRESS DERAILLED.—The express which left here Tuesday was derailed at Harry's Brook and a delay of three hours occurred in replacing the cars on the track. The express reached Port aux Basques at 2.30 a.m. to-day.

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