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A Curious Story From the Workhouse at Eton, England.

The workhouse at Eton, England, is becoming celebrated. Only a few months ago it went through the ordeal of a local government board inquiry, and now it is keeping up its reputation by maintaining a pauper with a betting account. The story was told in brief in the Daily Chronicle recently. It was a pauper kept at Eton workhouse was found to have 47 shillings on him, and a letter showing that he betted with a firm in Brussels, and how one of the guardians said he had a bank book, and had had as much as £5 on a horse at a time.

Through the courtesy of the master of the workhouse, a newspaper reporter was given the opportunity of a few minutes talk with Sturgess, the man in question. This "spotted pauper" has been an inmate of the workhouse for the past sixteen years. He began life as a drayman, and afterwards as a public house in Windsor. He is a man of about 70 years of age.

"Yes, I do a bit of betting," he admitted to the reporter. "I have a good many racing men in my time. George Fordham and Cundance were my friends of mine, and many of the billiards I have had with old George. He was a straight-up, like him, we haven't got many jockeys like him nowadays."

"Then I suppose you can give me a tip for the Lincoln and the Grand National?"

"Oh, no, sir," was the reply. "I don't gamble in that way. I always follow the first favorite if he belongs to a good man. Follow a good horse to a good man, that's my motto."

"People say you go out of the workhouse sometimes and then change your clothes and go off to Ascot?"

"I haven't been outside the house for three years last July," was the reply. "And how do you manage to get your money 'on' if you do not go outside the house?"

A far-away look came into the old man's eyes. "I don't know," he said, hesitatingly. "to Brussels."

"And is there any truth in the story that you have a bankbook and a nice balance to your credit?"

"Oh, no, sir," was the reply, "none at all. I have only a little allowance in a small way. You see, I get a few tips now and then."

"But you seem to have been lucky as a backer of horses?"

"Well, won't say much about that," he said, and the look in his face seemed to indicate that he thought the question a rather impertinent one. Sturgess seems to be a contented inmate of the racing house in the papers. He takes one daily bath, and studies it closely. At present he is engaged in assisting the porter.

The reporter afterwards saw Mr. Baxter, one of the guardians who had brought the matter before the board. Mr. Baxter had not a word to say in regard to the truth of the story that Sturgess has an account in the Postoffice Savings Bank.

"It was told about this matter in several quarters," he said. "Several people have declared that Sturgess used to go out of the house, put on a different suit of clothes, and then go to Ascot, and of course, I can't vouch for the truth of my inquiries, money as you know, has been found on the man, and a letter relating to betting was also found."

"I think everybody will agree with me that this is hardly the thing for the inmates of our workhouse to do. I shall not let the matter drop, and I see no reason to doubt that the Postmaster-General will tell us, as a public authority, whether Sturgess has a banking account."

Monday evening next, the Lornes being scheduled to meet the Waterloos, and the St. John's A. C. for M. C. McPhaden, late of Mount Forest. He has been in the city for two months past and is proficient in lacrosse as well as in hockey.

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NELSON HAS HIS MANAGER PINCHED

Alleges That "Ted" Murphy Stole \$10,000 From Him White vs. Britt.

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 23.—"Ted" Murphy, who is accused by "Battling" Nelson of the larceny of \$10,000, has been arrested here on a Santa Fe train. Two hundred and fifty dollars were found on Murphy by the police. Murphy was greatly surprised with his arrest. He said that he did not have Nelson's money, and that Nelson had bid him good-bye at the depot when he left San Francisco.

New York, Dec. 23.—Charlie Mitchell, the former English champion heavy-weight pugilist, who has been in this country for several months, sailed yesterday for his home in England on the Hamburg-American liner Moltke. He returns to England to look after the interests of his manager, Jabbe White, says the World, whom he is anxious to match with "Jimmy" Britt, victor of the twenty-round battle with "Battling" Nelson last Tuesday night at San Francisco.

Before he sailed Mitchell said that the day was a very busy one for him. He either left his managers concerning his challenge read at the ringside on behalf of White, although he had told the reporter, "I have not been willing to take the match."

Tom O'Rourke is in the meantime looking after Mitchell's interests, and the former manager has accepted the challenge. O'Rourke will cable the contents to England.

White is willing to meet Britt the day after tomorrow, or the first week in March if Britt will agree to fight. If a match is made Mitchell will return to this country on Feb. 11 and will fight the English light-weight pugilist with him.

Mitchell desires that both meet at 133 pounds, to weigh in at 3 o'clock on the day of the fight. This is the recognized weight limit.

CARPETBALL

Court Forest Queen and Court Stella, A. O. F., played a game of carpetball in Society Hall last night. Court Stella winning by a score of 35 to 29.

THE TURF

YESTERDAY'S TURF WINNERS. At New Orleans—St. Severs, 7 to 1; Fox Trophy, 9 to 5; Mae Hanlon, 12 to 1; King's Trophy, 10 to 1; Reliance, 2 to 1; Go To BASKETBALL.

WILL VISIT LONDON. The regular bi-weekly Pop which should be out at a time next Saturday night, Dec. 31, has been postponed for one week on account of a basketball game which will be played at the gymnasium on the floor that night. The Chicago Central Y. M. C. A. basketball team (Y. M. C. A. champions of the world) are making an eastern tour and arrangements have been made to have them play the local team that night.

DEADLY "SPOTTED FEVER"

Gives Way to Treatment With the Diphtheria Anti-Toxin.

Bristol, Dec. 22.—The first practical test of the theory recently advanced by Dr. Wolff, of Hartford, a bacteriological expert whose experiments would indicate a definite relation between diphtheria and cerebro spinal meningitis, or "spotted fever," which has caused many deaths in this section within the last few months, is being made in Forestville. A young daughter of Frank Dietrich was taken sick yesterday with "spotted fever" and the disease progressed so rapidly that when a physician arrived he considered the case almost hopeless. A last resort 6000 units of diphtheria anti-toxin were administered with the result that the patient was much improved today, and there is thought to be good prospects of recovery.

The experiment is being watched with great interest by local physicians, as there have been twelve deaths from the disease in the town in as many weeks.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Dec. 22.—At New York—Victorian, from Liverpool; Deutschland, from Hamburg. At Boston—Sarmatian, from Glasgow. At Glasgow—Fomerian, from New York. At Liverpool—Oceanic, from New York. At Naples—Prince Karl, from New York. At Rome, from Boston.

Carnival of Partisanship During Past Three Years

Axe Has Fallen Heavily on the Liberals During Beck Regime.

Half the City Has Been Deprived of the Rights of Citizenship.

A Comparison of Mr. Beck's Municipal Record With That of Ex-Mayor Rumball's Time.

The statement that the Conservative rule of the past three years has been of unexampled partisanship is demonstrated by a glance at the civic record. In 1901, when Mr. Fred Rumball retired from the mayoralty, the city council had been under the control of the Liberals for three years, but there was nothing to remind the citizens of the political complexion of the board. The Liberals were studious not to introduce the party system into the affairs of the city. They were absolutely uncaused for complaint. Politics were not considered in the making of the appointments to the various municipal bodies to which the council appointed representatives. But all this has been changed, and one of the citizens have been ostracized by the bitter partisanship of Mayor Beck. Ald. Judd and others of the Conservative majority. They have surrendered the control of civic appointments to the executive of the Conservative Association. Liberals have been thrown off the school board, the library board, the L. and P. S. R. board, the Western Fair board—in fact, off every body where it was possible for the Conservative majority to reach them. Liberal taxpayers have been treated as outlaws by the municipal ring, and deprived of any voice in the transaction of public business. Even the deputy returning officers in municipal elections have not been spared, and men who for 40 years have performed this duty have been turned down.

Let every Liberal and independent voter examine the following record of barefaced partisanship, and then let him decide whether any Liberal should feel it a duty to vote for a single member of the Conservative regime.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The following gentlemen composed the board of health in 1901, when Mr. Fred G. Rumball was mayor. There were seven Liberals and five Conservatives in the council, which was the appointing of the board:

UNDER LIBERAL RULE.
Liberals—H. C. McBride, H. M. Douglass, Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, Wm. Skinner, Samuel Stevely, Charles Taylor, F. G. Rumball.

Thus the board stood four Liberals and three Conservatives.

UNDER CONSERVATIVE RULE.
This year the Conservatives have a majority. This is how the board is made up:

Liberals—Conservatives—Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, Dr. W. M. English, Chas. Taylor, Wm. Skinner, W. D. Willis, R. A. Carrothers, Adam Beck.

Consequently the board of health for 1904 is composed of six Conservatives and one Liberal. This is what Ald. Judd and others of the Conservative majority, including the Conservatives, concurred in by Ald. Judd and the Conservative majority, the board is made up as follows:

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HIGH SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Under the system which expires this year, the council appointed six high school trustees, two each year. In 1901, when the Liberals controlled the council, the high school trustees were as follows:

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Liberals—Conservatives—John W. Jones, A. T. McMahon, Thus one Liberal, one Conservative and the sheriff formed the court.

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Thus the most important chairman-ship in the gift of the Liberal—the chairmanship of the board of works—was given to Ald. Winnett, a Conservative.

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In January last, a majority of Conservatives were returned, and this is how they handed out the chairman-ships:

Liberals—Conservatives—Ald. Gerry. No. 1—Ald. Judd. No. 2—Ald. Wyatt. No. 3—Ald. Matt.

Another sample of the fairness of the Conservative council of 1904.

FAIR BOARD REPRESENTATIVES.
In 1901, when the Liberals held office, two of the five representatives appointed to the fair board were Conservatives, as follows:

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Elder R. C. Evans Talks on Subject—Blood Atonement Twin Sister of Polygamy.

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