

Morgan himself might choose, these magnates in fraud hard their victims towards the glitter of "easy money propositions and then pinched their feathers in such adept manner that often the "Mikes" thungives could not discern the swinding and as consequence they became victims again.

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SHAKING HANDS

with money to in what a construction of this in many in state of the inmany in the latter was fleeced to the inmany in the interest of manufacturing printed news items and established a clipping buvean for the purpose of manufacturing printed news items about themselves. Agosts were numbered. Mikes' were numbered and the games they used were also known and used in numerical order.

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The head of the "fraud trust," when arrested, was residing in a palatfal residence in the soult with his wife and a cortege of servants about him.

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There was no haphazard work in the operations of the syndicate. It was a most careful by mnaaged orsanization. He ramifications covered the shole country. A code book with a red cover—a sort of "Who's Who in Grating"—found in the leader's possession, contained the names and addresses of 300 of the syndicatics willing workers, agents or steerers in all the principal cities of the country. Every ene of these agents had attached to his name a number. It was his duty to get up jobs or plays," as the syndicate books call them. It didn't hatter what the game, if the agent carried it through to success the got a percentage of the precepts. These agents were not thus or playing sor salion longers. They were chosen with particular reference to their duty, appearance, mainter of dress, ability to associate with gentlemen. This fact is shown by most of the letters equirated by the government."

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For hearly two years the syndicate had bead-quarters in New Orleans, later moved to Seat-tle, then to Council Blaffs and finally west to Little-Rock, Ark. During all this time the agenta were busy. Wherever an agent was relationed the books show that the syndicate had a store, a gettern with the money produced to the proposition of the pr

The windicate insured itself against "squeal-

ing Mikes —another name for vicilms who complain—by photographing eyer; event. At some time in the context at 1 ture would be taken, and always these pit trees contained to the context at 1 ture would be taken, and always these pit trees contained to the product of the context of the contex

such large men. There was much delay in arranging a trip to see the land. The owners were away somewers the land the owners were away somewers the land to be all that. The farmer proved, with a druft for \$10.000, this financial standing, a requirement never asglected by the millionatres, and were shown every courtesy by the Requiring party. He was a daily visitor in the strellingly equipped offices in the fourther tripit building and became well acquaintiest with the intrins exerciser. His wife was inkeniout, in the thurting, car to the beautiful manaton—midd—where, she met the leader's wife, and had wrowly time.

millionaires had bet their money and he was invited because the sorrel really was a magnificent animal.

They ace away in wood shape, the sorrel in the lead. The other man, the friend with the losing horse, was and. The Billionis farmer threw his hat in the nir and yelled.

But thi, as they say in noves, what's this? Something had happened to the lockey on the sorrel—he had fallen suddenty forward—he was off—down—on the ground and the millionaires and the "friend" were running down the road toward the spot.

When they reached him, they found his face covered with blood, it was flowing from his mouth, he was infired internally, he was dying. Fright selzed everyord:

Of course the Billionism didn't know, he learned only a few days ago, that the syndicate older much at the mouth. He didn't know they carried little this rubber sacks filled with blood, or something resembling it, in their mouths; that somethies they bit the sack and sometimes burst it agoing their cars to show how dangerously they, have been injured.

The millionaires said it mustrit get into the papers. The farmer's wife said she wanted to go home. Then she hought of her husband's \$10,000. When they turned to see the state-holder, one George Vilson, he had disappeared. The millionaires were forlious. So was the "friend", whose horse certainly had won because of the accident.

"I am a lumber dealer," said a Minnesota man. 'I am not 20 years old. I used to go up to Minneapolis occasionality and there met an old acquaintance, Lotal Slowe, whom I shart seen for years. My family had won here they have the said show the said shows the said sh

millionaires would bet any sum. After must perauasion I agreed to go to Omaha tol see. match—I was due for a vacation any way—an Stowe said I couldn't lose. A certain A. F. Shores was to wrestle the millionaires' man Stowe said I coutour toes.

Shores was to westle the millionates man, who had agreed, Stowe said, to let himself be thrown. I took with me, acheck for 10,000 to make a showing. The millionaires Timet were his Gordon and two others. I told Stowe, in Omais, that I was ment" and wouldn't bet my money, but would bet their money for them as I'd been asked to do. I deposited my check in a bank. During the betting the leader,

## A FAKED DEATH ON THE MAT.

Gordon, asked me to place a bet of \$5.000 on the side. I deforred dojng it, however. Shortly afterward Goorge Hennett, the private secretary, told me that his money, which he had hope to not come and that the side of the s

manner. Glazed; LOUIS STOWE. "The westling began promptly. Our man, Shores, got the first fall. He was to get the second, too, because the millionalir's man, Gorman had agreed to give up. But in the second bout Shores fell, and apparently bursting a blood ressel, gave every evidence of dying in great agony.

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"Everyone was greatly excited, Gordon weap because of the disgrace attaching to his family in having him present at such a death. In the midst of the excitement, Bennett, the private secretary, rushed up and whispered that he was ruined. He had bet his employers money to the stakes he held for them-and must now escape to Canada. I was hustifed out of the building on the piet hat I was a guest and must he professed. One of the unil-lionniters remained with the supposed corpse.

"Stowe professed to be ruined. I left him cough money to net out of town in the supposed corpse.

"Stowe professed to be ruined. I left him was sick, so I gave him give for over 30 Years. Though the Wantes Bought. Though the Wantes Bought. Though the Wantes Bought. Though the Wantes Too Much. This quarter deems count right, the state of the magning until now—in, the Little Rock jail. Stowe never has been canagat—or has hay \$10,000."

It is interesting that the case which, espatied ultimately in the arrest of the existing the coil of the magning that the case.—Mr. Store is known to many perspais in Kanass City who have spent the summer's or his reacrit. Cass Lake. Minn. He Bad knowlingen Baringer/Vartin for years he said, and Bach him while the said of his other years he said, and Bach him, He knewly him so well and liked him to well that he never years have any of the work of the said of t

one away as usual.

Mr. Sutor thought it over at home and decided to get busy. By the time he had so decided all the 'millionaires' had fed from Council Bluffs, Barney with them. But the government was in it now. Barney had written a fetter helpion Sutor to borrow the \$4.09) and so had used the malis to defraud. The federal officers got busy at once. Decoy letters were sent out by the postal inspector in Council Bluffs, J. S. Swenson, and the syndicate, acrost in froling others, swallowed the built listeff.

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were and not to the postal inspector in Council Bluffs, J. S. Swenson, and the syndicate is adroil in froiling others, swallowed the ball the closing days there came inspector Swenson. In a few hours he had cullsted Sheriff B. I. Roberts, Deputy J. J. Haskins, Durand Whipple, the six-foot son and law partner of W. G. Whipple, United Staten, district at torner. Warrants were issued, Revolvers were examined and tested. The trap was ready. What warning the syndicate had may never be known, but it is live that when the offerer approached the mansion the syndicate was just getting ready to lexer. The leaders were in facilities. They known, but it is live that when the offerer approached the mansion the syndicate was just getting ready to lexer. The leaders were in heritanily that they were in for it. They sprang from the car.

12. "Habds up—quickt" was inspector Swenson's crisp demand and up went two pars of hands. One man's were clevated only to his waist. Whipple didn't like that. He searched the leader, but finding no weapons was about to step back when a thought came to him, that may have saved his life. He selzed his hands and pushed them up high. Then he little the man's vest, and there in the trousers band, was a revolver. It had her within a few inches of his flagsare all were very 'carefully'. The syndicate books were 'very 'carefully'. The syndicate work were 'very 'carefully'. The syndicate books were 'very 'carefully'. The syndicate of the victim, the numbers of the streets and the amount was kept for each case. There 'fwere 100 or more of these envelopes. Each contained the mitutes of erery meeting with the "Mike" showed who was present and how the money was handled and also the 'original agreehents signed by the "Mike" and the syndicate members. This was necessary, not withstanding its danger in case of arrest, because of the extensive operations conducted in worth.

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