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TURF SWINDLERS IDENTIFIED

THE FRANKLIN SYNDICATE MAN EXPELLED FROM FRANCE.

Edward Schlesinger and John P. Korn Involved in French Betting Scandal—Exposed by Charles Buchanan—Where Franklin Syndicate Money Went.

A Paris despatch to THE SUN, published on Thursday, said that, as a result of an investigation into certain turf scandals, the French Jockey Club had taken action which had led to the expulsion from France of seven American sporting men and one Englishman.

Yesterday THE SUN was able to establish the identity of the Americans thus driven from French territory, in spite of the incorrect spelling of the names sent over the cable.

The identity of at least two of the men will be of more than passing interest to several hundred Americans who lost, in the aggregate, nearly \$1,000,000 in the autumn of 1899 through the notorious Franklin Syndicate of Brooklyn.

The Paris despatch said that among the men expelled from French territory were "Kohn," Rose, "Solly" and Gray. The "Kohn" of the despatch is a well-known American bookmaker, whose real name is John P. Korn and whose alias is Bismarck.

"Solly" is Edward Schlesinger, the founder of the Franklin Syndicate, for whose swindling the young gambler, William Franklin Miller, is now serving a term in Sing Sing.

Rose is Robert Rose, for many years the junior member of the well-known racing firm of Leigh & Rose, owners of the famous Clifford, and Gray is John C. Gray, who used to be an "outside" and "inside" man for bookmakers on American tracks and who has been living in London for several years.

Rose's reputation was always above par in this country and it is not believed here that, even if he has been expelled from France, he has become identified with any gang of American crooks who may be working abroad.

For whatever good to the French turf may accrue from expelling these men from France the French authorities are indebted to a wealthy American of the name of Charles Buchanan, whose father was the founder of the great tobacco firm of Buchanan & Lyde. After Mr. Buchanan had been the "good thing" for race-track sharpers in France as long as he cared to be, he concluded to go before the French Jockey Club and expose the men and their methods.

This is not the first time that Buchanan has charged his fellow countrymen in France with swindling him. Last summer he caused the arrest in Belgium of two rather well-known Americans, on a charge of taking him out of \$40,000 when they sold him some stock in an American copper mine for what he said was about four times as much as the stock was worth.

As soon as the Americans were arrested they waived extradition to France and hired Maître Labori, who deflected Dreyfus, as their counsel. They were arraigned in Paris, liberated on bail and will be tried next month. According to recent despatches from France, Mr. Buchanan isn't so sure now whether he was swindled in the copper transaction or not.

Unfortunately Mr. Buchanan involved in his turf charges the good name of Milton Henry, a young American jockey of the highest class and the most successful rider of running horses on the French turf, with the exception of Johnny Heff.

Buchanan has been a conspicuous and heavy bettor on French race-tracks for three or four years. According to THE SUN'S informant, he told the stewards of the Jockey Club that he was approached several months ago by a man of the name of Chapeau, who used to be a bookmaker in St. Louis. Chapeau told Buchanan that he was in with a number of Americans who were always tipped off when Henry's mounts were going to win, and that if he would get in on the ground floor he could do so.

Buchanan, so the story runs, wanted to get in quick, and thereupon Chapeau introduced him to the "great American plunger," Mr. Robert Rose. Rose said that the only thing he knew of the tip-off for Buchanan was to tell him how he (Rose) was betting his money on any particular race. That was satisfactory to Buchanan, and he bet accordingly. Not long afterward, so he told the jockey club, according to THE SUN'S informant, Rose met Buchanan and said he was going to let that day \$5,000, or some other considerable amount, on a certain horse. Did Buchanan want half of it? Buchanan did and put up the money. The wager was supposed to have been made, and the horse didn't win.

On Nov. 20, 1899, THE SUN estimated that the Franklin Syndicate swindled the public out of about \$700,000. How nearly correct that estimate was is shown by the following statement made to a SUN reporter yesterday afternoon by a man who knows much about the inside of the syndicate. His statement, by the way, conveys the first information to the public of where the bulk of the money taken in by the syndicate went.

Korn took a small part of the money with him and Schlesinger took away \$154,444. If the balance taken in, \$180,000 is looked up here under an order in court. Probably not far from \$200,000 more was taken in and divided, after expenses were deducted, before the papers began to advertise the game plan.

Schlesinger and Korn got together in Spain and they have been grafting in France most of the time since. I heard the other day that Schlesinger has now in his sock not far from a million.

From this man and from other sources it was learned yesterday that those men, who have been expelled from France, or some of them, have permanent headquarters in London, where the man in black is always open for globe-trotting Americans and learns the routes over Europe they may take from London. It will do no harm to say that the man in black is not a great way from P. Cassidy Chambers, and Piccadilly Chambers, in Coventry street, Piccadilly West.

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The Rev. H. J. Berkemeier, pastor of the Lutheran Mission for Immigrants at 12 State street, has been excluded from Ellis Island by Commissioner of Immigration Williams. The domain was somewhat upset when he received a letter from the Commissioner yesterday concluding that he had no right to draw a sharp line between the true missionaries of whom there are a number at Ellis Island and the boarding houses which are parading under false colors, and for that reason the most dangerous people to whom an immigrant may be turned over.

I now inform you that neither you nor any one of your assistants is permitted to be allowed to come to Ellis Island or the Barge Office. Orders to this effect have been issued.

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NEWS OF THE STAGE.

Reginald De Koven Buys Ground for a Theatre Near to Belasco's.

Not only dramatists like David Belasco, Clyde Fitch and Mrs. Haines can have theatres and companies exclusively for their own plays. Reginald De Koven has talked much of having his own playhouse, and yesterday he purchased ground in Forty-second street, just west of the Belasco. The theatre will be on Forty-third street, where the frontage is 120 feet, only 26 feet being on Forty-second street, for the entrance.

Architect V. Hugo Koehler has drawn the plans for the house. It will be known as the Lyric. It will be the sixth theatre on the block between Seventh and Eighth avenues, the Belasco, the Victoria and the American now standing there, while Klaw & Erlanger are building two more. Mr. De Koven will organize a stock company for comic and light opera and will open a year. He will also have a theatre, and in new plays will give the preference to American composers. He expects to open the Lyric a year from this month.

Clyde Fitch has returned, and in good health, he has completed his plans for the direction of the Savoy Theatre, for which he arranged before his illness with Charles Frohman. After Ethel Barrymore's engagement, probably about the 1st of the year, Mr. Fitch will take charge, and there after the Savoy will be devoted to plays of his making.

The first will be "The Girl With the Green Eyes," in which Mrs. Clara Bloodgood will start out as a star. Then will come "A Girl in a Cage," with Sandoz Milliken, and finally "The First," which was written for Ethel Barrymore, but which she will be unable to appear in, owing to the success of "A Country Mouse."

Mr. Fitch has two other plays for this season, "The Student's Play," at the Garden, for Mary Manning, and a translation from a French comedy, called "Mme. Fitch," for Annetta Bingham.

Fay Davis, an American actress, was assigned yesterday to her first tour in America. Charles Frohman engaged her last summer to act under his management in New York and London, and has decided to make her William Faversham's leading actress.

Her first part will be the heroine of Henry Lynd's unnamed comedy in the Empire about Nov. 15. Miss Davis is in Boston, her native city, where she has been visiting her family since early summer. She has never acted here, but is well known in London. She made her debut there with Sir Charles Wyndham in "The Square of Dames." Then she went over to the St. James's to be Princess Flaminia in "The Prisoner of Zenda," and stayed with George Alexander for "The Princess and the Butterfly," "The Tree of Knowledge," and "The Ambassador." "Cleopatra" and "Theodora." The new play will be on the same order.

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GREENWICH, Conn., Oct. 10.—The fast freight train in charge of Conductor Wilson, which left 12th street, New York, about 7 o'clock to-night, was wrecked on the western end of the Cos. Co. draw-bridge at 8:30 and passenger traffic was stopped for two hours. No one was injured so far as can be ascertained.

New Scholarships at Cooper Union. The free classes at the Cooper Union have begun work. The two scholarships of \$2,500 each, founded a few years ago by the Misses Catherine B. and Maria L. Campbell, have been increased as follows: Five thousand dollars from John F. O'Rourke, to fund two scholarships of \$100 each; \$7,400 from the estate of Louis H. Landry, to fund three scholarships of \$100 each; and \$5,000 from Jacob H. Schiff, to fund two scholarships of \$100 each, to be known as the "Hewitt Eightieth Birthday Scholarships."

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