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# The P. J. Syndicate

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the directors themselves have been gulled by a bribed manager in Johannesburg; I suppose they could prosecute you, if they knew. Have you anything to say before I gag you, Mr. Vasper! I am going to leave you in the meantime." the meantime.

"Mercy," whispered Vasper. Number Three shook his head.

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"I've got a mother, you fiend!"
"Ah! I had better buy a thousand
Deeps to provide for her. Anyone
else dependent upon you"
"No one I care about."
"Poor man! Nothing but money!"
Number Three brought a small
white object from his pocket. Vasper submitted to the gagging: he was per submitted to the gagging; he was

as weak as water.

"I'll leave the notice on the door, so you shan't be disturbed. Make plans for the future, my friend," and the visitor departed, whistling softly. Vasper just escaped madness during the next three hours. He may have been a trifle light headed when

have been a trifle light-headed when

the door was opened.

The gag was removed; a glass of whisky and water was put to his lips.

"Honeydew Deeps have been sold down to 7s. 3d.," remarked the tor-

"What did you pay for my mother's thousand?" said Vasper dreamily.
"Round 8s. Probably they are 8os.

Then you really bought them?"

"Thank God. I'll give you her ad-

"We have it, thank you. We shall give her an annuity. I hope we may get eight or ten pounds a share within the week."

Vasper nodded. Then he started up as far as his bonds would allow. "What was I saying just now, you

devil?" he cried.

"You were exhibiting your better nature. Have another drink \* \* \* So! Now I'm going to set you free."
"What?"

Number Three produced a knife. The cords were cut in a twinkling. The chafed wrists were rubbed gently.
"Curse your mockery!" muttered
the wretched man.

Presently Number Three left him and stood on the other side of the

table-smiling.

Vasper stretched his aching joints. Of a sudden his eyes fell on the revolver within his reach. In a breath he was covering his enemy.

"Now, you villain!" he yelled, "it's my turn! Hands up and quick march. I win yet."

"It isn't loaded—never has been," said Number Three quietly, smiling still.

The trigger was pulled, the ham-

Vasper dropped the useless wea-pon, fell forward on his desk, and sobbed helplessly.

Number Three came round and touched him on the arm.
"Listen, Mr. Vasper. Make out a

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