THE DISPATCH.

I looked at Adams instinctively. His hands dropped into his lap and he stared at Havens a minute. Havens on his part, looked from Adams to me and then back to Adams.

"What's up?" said he, with that curious little orack that comes into his voice at times "Adams, it's up to you to tell Havens your awful tale of woe, but break it to him gently."

Adams looked sheepisn. Then he threw his head back, his eyes acquired lustre, and reaching across the table, he indicted that he wanted to shake hands with the proud possessor of two hundred whole dollars.

"I haven't any tale of woe," said he, in quite a changed voice. Kimberly is joking. Say, I want you two to go to the theatre with me to-night. They say the dramatization of Howell's 'A Hazard of New Fortu nes is great."

An Ohio Wedding.

There was a wedding in Ohio last week and this is the way the local ink slinger told about it :- "Again have the heart of radiant fragrant young maiden and heart of cavalier flaming with love been blended into one of nuptial rites. Miss Belle Richey is the maiden and Ollie Dennis is the cavalier, and they quietly went to the Presbyterian parsonage Monday night, Jan. 2, and the Rev. Glenrole McQueen performed their rites, and the minister's words that linked their hearts in jewelled chains of connubial love fell like the dews of heaven on their bowed heads. The bride has all the instincts of a lady and is a connubial prize, rich and rare. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richey, deceased, a family of high social prestige. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dennis, and most respected residents. He is most genial and of unsullied name, and the happy twain's many friends hope that their path, now so radiant with joy, may never be darkened with sorrow's shadows. Another witching beauty's brown eyes will beam through bridal

head again, and how beautiful and touching come, and then we all three continued up is the wooing and winning of coy, modest maiden's heart by cavalier in whose heart

Pink a Restful Colour.

In the decoration of the stations of the New York subway, it appears that the schemes most restful to the eye are those which are based on pink and salmon tones. The American Architect, reflecting upon this unexpected result, finds that after all it agrees with nature more distinctly than does the theory (proceeding from the abundance of green in the world) that green is the most restful color to the eye. "To rest the tired eye," the writer in the American Architect points out "one naturally drops the eye lid. . Opaque as the eyelid is, it is still translucent, and as it is permeated with blood vessels it would seem that the sense of color that the eye derives through the closed lid must be that of pink, very low in the scale. Adams seemed to have caught a little of Turn to nature again and we find that the blush-rose and the garden pink are amongst the most restful members of the whole garden flora. But there are pinks and pinks, and anything verging on the mauves should be eschewed, while a pink that belongs to the salmon family may, on the testimony of the subway decorations, be safely adopted." Sir Charles Wyndham, at dinner in New York, talked about gentlemen of the old school. "The old school gentleman, the five or six bottle man, no longer exists," he said "and perhaps it is as well. Some physicians declare that, as the generations pass and the race refines itself, alcohol as a drink will entirely disappear, and even tea and coffee will be beverages too powerful for our delicate nerves. "I don't know," said Sir Char. les' "that I would desire to belong to a race too weak to drink tea and coffee; but at least I am glad that the old school gentleman--the Squire Guzzle of Guzzleton Hall-18 no more presume you have all heard stories of Squire Guzzleton's wild career? One story, a typical one, tells how his servants found him one morning asleep in his coach. 'Where were you last night, sir?' they said reproachfully. 'I don't know,' the squire answered. 'It was either a marriage or a funeral. At any rate it was a great success." "I wish they'd invent a new expression occasionally," said Top, as he perused the account of a recent wedding. "It's always



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The End and the Beginning.

(Charles Battell Doomis in The Independent). When a man is in good health and his business is prospering the woes of mankind do not sit so heavily upon him as to impair digestion, and that is why I walked along Broadway indifferent to what might have been going on in the minds of those who passed me. It is probable that even if I had been in bad health and my business had been going to the dogs I should not have been keenly alive to the troubles of my brothers. the average man being to a certain extert selfish.

But when I met Roswell Adams I could not help seeing that something had happened to upset him. He looked hag worn, as they say up in Connecticut, and his step, usually a springy one, had lost all its resilency.

"Hello, Rossy, what's the matter? Been keeping late hours?"

Adams halted and shook hands and then joined me in my onward walk. "Haven't you heard the news?" said he, in much the tone of one who might express surprise that you had not heard of the total annihilation of all Europe. "No," said I, bracing myself for a shock.

buy the whole of New York and then give it away for nothing. You're going to dine with me tonight at Delmonico's."

I was quite carried away by his enthusiasm and I grasped his hand again right warmly as I said: "Why, old man there's nobody in the world I'd rather see happy than you. You've been kicked over ever since I knew you. Is it a rich fiancee or a flyer on the street, or a legacy?"

Havens had now noticed Adams and gave him a nod and a smile, which were returned veils here before the daisy rears its gentle perfunctorily, the gloom being hard to over-Broadway.

"It isn't anything quite as good as that love's strange, mad fever burn!" and yet it's better, because-Well, I've sold 'The Daltons.' '

He stopped stock still, and I had to stop also in order that I might let his words ac quire meaning. If he had said he had sold the Morton house I might have understood him, but "The Daltons," New Yorker as I

"I'm ruined." "You don't say so! said I, with genuine

sympathy.

"Yes, Kimberly, I'm ruined. All th money I've been saving up for the last fifteen years is everlastingly gone through the failure of the Jefferson National, and \$200 represents my entire assets."

Now Adams has been a generous liver and I was sorry for him. I could see he was hard hit.

"Surely it isn't as bad as all that, man Perhaps you've unconsciously exggerated it.'

"No, Kimberly, "I'm a ruined man. I've got to begin all over again, and I don't feel like doing it. I seem to have lost my sand. The future is as black as night. Here I am, nearly thirty, and I've been saving ever since I was a boy and now not to have more than \$200. What's \$200. Here in New York it head against a wall."

a manly way to talk; but I felt sorry for Adams just the same, and as we walked up the busy street, crowded with home-goers, I tried to encourage him with empty words, but was not very successful.

Just above Seventeenth street I saw Joe his bad luck. Havens coming along with a bounding step and an amount ojoy in his face that would look stupendo. If expressed in figures. He was bursting with happiness and yet what he had to be happy over I could not guess; for, buffeting and discouragement, Joe was the one.

He saw me as soon I him, and although he ran toward me.

noticing the woebegone Adams, whom he through the sale of "The Daltons." knew slightly.

There's nobody in the world but myself and all in my pocket. Oh, the future is pinker

was, was one on me. The ruined Adams came to my rescue.

"A story?' said he questioningly. "Yes, siree; it's a story that I've tried to ell for three years, and now I've sold it outright. No bothering with royalties, but I'm paid and I have the beautiful bills right here in my inside pocket, and you must

come and dine with me. You, too, Mr. Adams, if you have not any other engagement."

Havens' glow, for he accepted his invitation, and I was glad to think that his stomach had not gone back on him, even if he was reduced to a paltry two hundred dollars.

We walked up town, but now the pace was swifter, for Havens was setting it. On the way up I said, "Say, Havens, what's the use of blowing in your money on Delmonico's? They don't need it, and we can have a cosier time at-"

No, I'm not going to tell the name of the place, because if all the world knew of it. is worse than an insult. I'd like to butt my what would become of the cosiness? Find it if you can, but for the present picture us Well, of course, I knew that this was not turning and walking down Broadway to a certain cross street and then turning west. All the way down Havens talked so fas and so much that Adams didn't have a chance to get in a single croak, and yet I could see he wanted to talk some more about

Havens' figures concerning "top crests," "bunches of happiness" and the like must have rubbed the bankrupt on the raw; but perhaps he was oblivious to it and was wondering how a man of thirty was going to face if ever a man of thirty had led a life of the world with but two hundred beggarly dollars between him and starvation.

When we were seated in a quiet corner of the quaint old resturant and had eaten our was half a block off, he began to grin and cherries and the oysters were looking coldly at us, it occured to me to ask Heavens just He gave me a pump-handle shake, not how much of a fortune he had acquired

"Why didn't I tell you? Two hundred "Congratulate me, old man. I'm it. dollars. Two hundred dollars ! and they're

"the blushing bride.' "

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