RESOLVED.

"If you please, ma'am, could I speak to gou one minute," said Mrs. Locksley.
Theodora Dale started from the deep reverie in which she was buried, and looked no with large, startled eyes.

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Written:

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do Dales brother into a secret marriage ha go been been been and been conceded no assistance from his relatives. The signora Dalli—otherwise Mrs. Lionel Dale farewell!"

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"Certainly, Mrs. Looksley," said she,

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"What is it!"

"It's about the rent for the rooms.
Mrs. Dale," said the landlady, drawing herself up with a little jerk. "Two good months you've occupied 'em—and it stands to reason, ma'am, as a hard-working widow woman, as has only herself to look to, wants to see the color of her money. Not as I would have hurried you, ma'am, with a half relenting glance toward Theodora's dean months in the land of the writing of this letter!

She had conquered her own fortune mow. She was indebted to no one. And the next month she was married to a young Eagliah gentleman, who had followed her bright eyes half over two continuents. dora's deep mourning garments, "while the poor major lay ill, nor yet while he was being buried, but—"

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"Mr. Chandos Dale's compliments to the young lady who beguiled his brother into a secret marriage, and he is confidently of opinion that her talents in the hauband-hunting line need no assistance."

And this outting taunt, this gratuitous insult, was all.

Theodors sat pale and silent. She knew that her husband did not care to refer to his relatives much, generally avoiding the subject when she broached it, but she had never dreamed that he had sillowed them to think her a mere adventuress who had contrived to entrap him into a disadvantageous marriage. She had long ere this discovered that Lionel Dale was a thoroughly selfish man, but she had never

opera singer?"

And Chandos, about as hopelessly infatuated as it is in the nature of man to be, wowed that he would commit suicide, if she didn't have him at once.

"Put it in writing," said Signora Theodora Dalli, with a laugh.

"Why?"

"It is my fadow!"

"Why?"

"It is my fancy!"

"Your will is my law." protested Mr.
Dale. So he wrote a very pretty and poetic declaration of love, upon tinted paper, and sent it to the signora's suite of apartments at a private hotel.

The same evening he received the very

letter which had come to Lionel Dale's widow that October sunset, with its pen-

"I am sorry to have inconvenienced you, Mrs. Locksley," she said, "but I was, of course, obliged to settle the undertakers bill at once, and that has taken all the money which I had at command. I have written to my husband's relatives, however, and I expect remittances very shorty, which—"

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"I've heard that same thing from my lodgers before, ma'am," said she. "All I can say is that I would very much like walking match has been arranged between Edward Payson Weston and Daniel

"It was a serilly send that same thing from my lodgers before, ma'am," said she, "All I can say is that I would very much like to have the bill paid as soon as possible."

"It shall be paid to night, first. Locks sley, without fail," said Theedors, he cheeks becoming even hotter than before. And the instant the door closed upon the let her head fall upon her clasped hands and burst into tears. Tears that were almost like distilled fire, so scalding and bitter were they.

Theedora Daie had been married only three months. She had been as hooigirl of fifteen at Madame Bonmerd's establishment; just out of Sarstogs, when Major Lionel Dale saw and admired her at the springs. He made some careless in quirles about the young beauty with the gazelle-like eyes, scarlet hips and blueblack hair that clustered so low upon her forehead, and learned, in an incidental sort of way, that she was an orphan, training at the expense of Madame Bonmerd herself for a governess.

"Hang it!" said Major Dale, "she's toopretty for that! I'll marry her!"

Little Theedora Madame Bonmerd's exactions on the one side, and the undorscious tyramy of the children on the other, was hait frightened, haif pleased, when the handsome, middle-aged major proposed matrimony to her.

"You are the prettlest little half bloom rosched in the world," the major made answer, gallantly.

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had contrived to entrap in into a day and advantageous marriage. She had long ere this discovered that Lionel Dale was a thoroughly selfah man, but she had never dreamed how selfah.

But the blow, sharp and sudden as it was, nerved her to further exertions; She put on her hat, went out to the nearest joweler, and sold her watch and chain — Lionel's widding pressure—for probably about one third of its worth. With this she paid her bill at Mrs. Lockeley's.

"Begging your pardon, ma'am," said the lodging—house keeper, "but what be you agoing to do now?"

"I am going to do now?"

"I' and the years orcept by and the sixteen year old widow who stormed the citade of for the."

And the years crept by and the sixteen year old widow who stormed the citade of fortune so bravely, won the day!

"Signora Theodona Dalli! Nor; I haven't heard her yet," said Mr. Chandos Dale, her brotherin law, sat with folded arms in the prosention was a more proposed to a wind the sale of a wind the sate of the lock.

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had ripened by this time into the full blown rose of loveliness. Her blue-black hair floated like a jetty, glimmering vell of brightness down her shoulders; her eyes shone like midnight stars, while the radiant pink and white of her cheeks owned none of their beauty to cosmetic arts.

And Mr. Chandos Dale, sitting there with intent eyes and an artist's soul, all alive to the flute-like richness of her voice, thought she was simply the most beautiful creature he had ever seen.

The mayor of the city where the signora was slnging had a little private reception in her honor after the opera was over. Chandos Dale, of cour-e, was among the invited guests; and then Signora Dalif knew who he was.

"I have the advantage of him," said Theodora to herself, smiling a curious smile. "And I shall take care to retain it!"

Just a month afterwards Mr. Dale proposed to make the beautiful signora his wife.

"Are you really in love with me?" said the signora, opening wide her almondshaped eyes, where the jetty fires seemed to burn with sleepy lustre—"with me—an opera singer?"

And Chandos, about as hopelessly infat-

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"My child," said she, "beware what
you are about. He is three times your
age—he gambles. It is true that your life
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Dale's favorite horse, Meg Merklies, randawy with him and killed him, and Theodora, not yet sixteen, was left a widow.

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The color mounted to her face as the postman paused under her window—she caught the letter from his hands and tore it eagerly open.

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