## Climax

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Now and again, I tell a story: It opens with dice, fashionably spotted, a hat, more symbol than protection, a mindless breeze, and him. He thinks of the glory of smoke while he taps his cane, but the opportunity blinks once, and is gone. There is so much life to go through after this; but we are no longer interested.