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CHAPTER III.

Poverty presses harder on a man's pride generally than on a woman's, perhaps because most women care more for persons than for things; and while those near and dear to them are well and happy, the pin pricks of having to go without many things their neighbors have are not so keenly felt, while to a man each is a morti-

fication. Harold Dynevor was a good son, and a brave man; but poverty tried him sorely, and there was a constant chafing at the injustice of circumstances which made his life harder than it might have been, but which those who knew his story thought only natural.

Harold was a gentleman farmer. He worked quite as hard as many farmers who did not own the prefix; but he was the last male representative of a good old county family, who had been known in Sussex for many generations. He was popular wherever he went, his mother was devoted to him, there was no hurry, and he might well his pretty sister, Kitty, looked up to him with fervent admiration; but Harold Dynevor could not be called a happy man. He had inherited a grievance, and the recollection of it

marred his content. "You're tired out, Harold," said Kitty gently. "I'm sure you work as hard as any of your own men. Sit down in your armchair, and I'll go and hurry tea."

"All right, dear," he said gratefully. 'It may do me good, for I've a splitting headache."

Mrs. Dynevor waited till her daughter was out of hearing, then she asked anxiously:

"Is there anything wrong, Harold? You were going in to Marton; did you see Mr. Proctor?"

"I saw him, mother, and got a receipt in full. There's bad news. I meant to keep it from you, but I can see I've betrayed there's something wrong, so I'd better tell you the truth, for fear you think it worse than it is."

"You don't mean that the mortgagee wants to foreclose, Harold?'

Poor lady! that was the bugbear of her life. Uplands, the land which her son farmed, was her very own. It had been her wedding portion, and the home of her married life. When bad seasons came, and expenses multiplied, with her full consent her husband raised a mortgage on the farm. They had thought lightly of it then -a few good harvests would soon enmarrying. People were beginning to

and to regard the little boy at the farm as the heir of the Manor, when, besuddenly returned from a summer holiday with a wife of 18.

There was not the least mystery his father's last words, it was torture about his young wife's antecedents. to Harold Dynevor to think that the She was an officer's daughter, and had mortgage on his mother's home was been brought up in an orphan asylum, held by Eustace Lindon. which found her a situation as soon as she was old enough. She had been in it just six months when Mr. Dynevor came on a visit to her employer, and converted their little nursery governess into the mistress of the Manor.

If the family at the Uplands were Dynevor told his brother he meant to about them happy. settle a small fortune on little Harold, "in case farming failed;" but he was sound health, no doubt he thought wait till his nephew was out of the nursery.

The baby who arrived at the Manor within a year of the wedding was a girl. She was 2 years old when her father took it into his head to go out The young Dynevors had spent some to Australia to hunt up some information for a book he was writing. Nina dreaded the sea, so he left her and her | friend. little girl at home. From that voyage he never returned. He died at sea. And Mr. Eustace Lindon, a fellow pas-

senger, who had been with him a great deal at the last, brought the news to the poor little widow at Easthill.

CHAPTER IV.

There was consternation at the Manor and the Uplands; but when Frank Dynevor's will was read, his brother was amazed to find there was no mention whatever of his promise to secure Harold's future. It had been made immediately after the birth of little Lillian, and it left everything in trust to his wife for her daughter, and if the child died before reaching the age of Both believed only his poverty and 21 her mother inherited everything. with power to bequeath it to whom she pleased.

No wonder the Charles Dynevors were aggrieved. They would not have grudged the estate to Lillian; but that it should revert to her mother, that a able them to pay off the debt; but it the family who had owned it for be too late.

can't explain what I think, Harold; but I seem to know Nina Lindon never did us such a wrong willingly."

"I could understand it better if she had left anything to her child," said Harold. "The injustice to us would have been the same, but it would have been more natural."

Mr. Dynevor shook his head. "It's a mystery we shan't fathom here, my boy. Only, with the instinct look on him as a confirmed bachelor, God sends sometimes to the dying, I seem to feel that Lindon is to blame. If he comes to live at the Manor, avoid fore Harold was 5 years old, his uncle him by every means in your power."

And that was the story of the past. It was not strange that, remembering

Kitty and the tea tray came in together. There was a capable woman servant at the Uplands, but she had her hands pretty full; and both Mrs. Dynevor and her daughter were thoroughly domesticated, sweet, homekeeping women both of them, not disappointed, they made no sign, and learned in 'ologies and science, perwelcomed the bride warmly. Frank haps, but well gitted to make those

Harold felt quite refreshed after his tea, and asked his sister cheerfully if not a businesslike man, and, being in any one had been there that afternoon. "Only Helen Craven. She wants us to go to dinner there next week. I said Tuesday would suit you best."

When the Cravens settled at Dynevor Manor they made it perfectly clear to the family at the Uplands that they regarded them as friends and equals. of their happiest days at the Manor, and Helen Craven was Kitty's closest

"Tuesday will do nicely," said Harold. "I shall be glad of a little talk with the general. He may be able to tell me something about his landlord." "Helen was quite radiant," went on Kitty. "It seems Alick is coming home next week on leave, and is going to bring his friend Captain Tempest with him.'

She spoke with studied carelessness, and yet the speech had cost her an effort. Kitty and her mother were both dreadfully afraid Harold cared for Helen Craven. Loving him as they did, they were of course persuaded he could have won the general's daughter had he only made up his mind to woo. pride had kept him silent, and it had come on them as a blow when they discovered the great interest Helen took in the visits of her brother's chum, and they were forced to see that Captain Tempest was already more to her than Harold had ever been. So girl who had never seen the old house Kitty made this remark tentatively, as three years before should have power, a sort of breaking the news to Harold if her child died, to leave it away from that if he entered the lists he would

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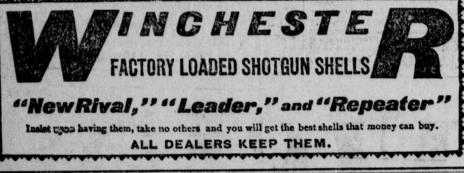
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had never been paid off in all those years. It hung like an incubus about them, and Mrs. Dynevor's one dread was that some day the mortgagee would foreclose, and, if they could not realize how quickly her acquaintance find the £5,000 due to him, they would have to leave their beloved home.

"No, mother," said Harold quietly, "it's not so bad as that; but you will like the news as little as I do. It seems Mr. King has been settling his affairs, and he has transferred the mortgage on the Uplands to some one else. Proctor told me the interest was still to be paid to him, so we shall have no personal dealings with our new creditor."

"Then I don't see that it matters," said Mrs. Dynevor. "Your dear father always said Mr. King was a very honest man. Do you mean that you have heard a bad account of the new mortgagee?'

"He is a man we both have cause to fear and dislike, mother-Eustace Lindon!"

Mrs. Dynevor had grown white even to her lips-nothing could have terrified her more; but she was a brave woman, and she knew, besides, where help and strength were to be found. One silent prayer to heaven, and she answered calmly:

"There is only one thing for it, Harold-we must raise the £5,000 and pay off the mortgage. To be at that man's mercy is more than I can hear!"

"I don't see how we're to do it." said Harold, gloomily. "There's no money in the bank, and we must spend a good sum on the farm this year, for everything wants renewing. The blow couldn't have come at a worse time."

"I wonder what his object is?" said Mrs. Dynevor quickly. "He has never once been near this place since he left it with your poor Aunt Nina just after their wedding. Not a year after her death he let the Manor to General Craven for fourteen years, and, except pocketing the money from the estate, he has taken not the least interest in the property since."

"Proctor says he has married again, and thinks he means to settle at the Manor. The general's lease expires year, and he has refused to renew it."

"If he means to live here, of course he would want to get rid of us first," said Mrs. Dynevor quietly, "for men never like the near presence of those they have wronged."

Now, according to the strict letter of the law, Eustace Lindon could not not say a word to your mother, lest have been said to have wronged the she should brood over it; but I can't Dynevors, yet every one for miles around Dynevor Manor regarded him straight. Your Aunt Nina was little as their despotler.

It was a sad little story, so well known that every villager could have repeated it. When Mrs. Dynevor married and settled at the Uplands, her ily for centuries, I can't believe she husband had an elder brother, Frank, who was 'squire of Dene, and the largest land owner for miles round. Frank Dynevor was devoted to the a forgery?" asked Harold. young couple at the Uplands. A good

centuries-it was terrible! Perhaps their sense of injustice made

the Charles Dynevors keep aloof from the young widow, and so they did not with Eustace Lindon ripened into intimacy; and it came on them like a thunderbolt when, a year and a day after her husband's death, Nina married the specious adventurer and went abroad with him.

Very little news of her reached Easthill. That she had a second child -another daughter-and that her health failed so rapidly she was obliged to live always in the south of France, was all the Dynevors heard in the first few years. Then there came a formal letter from Eustace Lindon, acquainting them with his stepdaughter's death; and, barely six months later, another to announce that his wife had passed away.

"She will have left him all the ready money; but she can't be so base as to bequeath him the Manor," Charles Dynevor said to his wife.

"I don't know. She was perfectly infatuated with him, and I suppose she would think of her child," replied Mrs. Dynevor.

But there was no mention of her child in the will. Mr. Dynevor paid half a guinea for a copy of it. It had been made immediately after the death | the pauperizing tendency of the ration of her firstborn, and it simply bequeathed "all property of which I may die possessed, real or personal, of every description whatever, to my dear husband, Eustace Lindon."

It had been drawn up by an English lawyer, and witnessed by the doctor and nurse who attended little Lillian in her last illness. Everything was leading solicitor of Marton, who had that to upset it would be quite impossible.

So Eustace Lindon enjoyed his thouevery year. The father lived till his be good to his mother and Kitty, and "I can't explain it to you, my boy," have thought a great deal about the of these skins amounts to twenty milpast since my illness began. I would lion dollars." help feeling Lindon did not play more than a child when he married her; but she was singularly frank and true. Knowing as she did that Dynevor Manor had been in our fam-

would have left it away from the old name willingly." "Do you mean you think the will was

"No; I believe it was obtained from deal older than his brother, Charles, her by undue influence. When she and a very studious, reserved man, he was very ill he must have worked on I is carrying the ticket for his watch. had reached the age of 40 without her fears in some way or other.

Dynevor never guessed Kitty's suspicions. He smiled quite cheerfully as he said:

"Sets the wind in that direction? Well, you will miss Helen dreadfully, Kitty, if she marries; but she is 22, so I suppose it's time she began to think of such a thing, and Jack Temple is a right down good fellow. I took a great fancy to him when he was here at Christmas. I only hope you'll have as good fortune, Miss Kitty, when your time comes."

Kitty and her mother exchanged congratulatory glances, which seemed to say: "He does not mind! he could not have cared for her really after all." (To be continued.)

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