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CHAPTER III.

Poverty presses harder on a man's 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-

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 farmhe was the last male representative of a good old county family, who had him with fervent admiration; but nursery. 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 daugh-

ter 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 | tion whatever of his promise to secure see I've betrayed there's something Harold's future. It had been made imwrong, so I'd better tell you the mediately after the birth of little Lil-

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 enable them to pay off the debt; but it had never been paid off in all those years. It hung like an incubus about them, and Mrs. Dynevor's one dread would foreclose, and, if they could not find the £5,000 due to him, they would have to leave their beloved home.

"No, mother," said Harold quietly. 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."

Mrs. Dynevor quickly. "He has never once been near this place since he left it with your poor Aunt Nina just after ven for fourteen years, and, except possible. 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 have been said to have wronged the Dynevors, yet every one for miles around Dynevor Manor regarded him as their despoiler.

husband had an elder brother, Frank, would have left it away from the old who was 'squire of Dene, and the name willingly." largest land owner for miles round. Frank Dynevor was devoted to the a forgery?" asked Harold. young couple at the Uplands. A good 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 had reached the age of 40 without her fears in some way or other. I

marrying. People were beginning to look on him as a confirmed bachelor, price generally than on a woman's, and to regard the little boy at the farm perhaps because most women care as the heir of the Manor, when, be- If he comes to live at the Manor, avoid more for persons than for things; and fore Harold was 5 years old, his uncle him by every means in your power." while those near and dear to them suddenly returned from a summer holiday with a wife of 18.

> about his young wife's antecedents. She was an officer's daughter, and had been brought up in an orphan asylum, 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 disappointed, they made no sign, and ers who did not own the prefix; but Dynevor told his brother he meant to about them happy. settle a small fortune on little Harold, erations. He was popular wherever he sound health, no doubt he thought his pretty sister, Kitty, looked up to wait till his nephew was out of the said Tuesday would suit you best."

> The baby who arrived at the Manor girl. She was 2 years old when her 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 pasdeal 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 mentruth, for fear you think it worse lian, and it left everything in trust to could have won the general's daughter his wife for her daughter, and if the had he only made up his mind to woo. 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 | Captain Tempest was already more to it should revert to her mother, that a 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 the family who had owned it for be too late. centuries-it was terrible!

Perhaps their sense of injustice made the Charles Dynevors keep aloof from he said: was that some day the mortgagee the young widow, and so they did not realize how quickly her acquaintance 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 mar-"it's not so bad as that; but you will ried 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 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."

lawyer, and witnessed by the doctor and nurse who attended little Lillian "I wonder what his object is?" said in her last illness. Everything was perfectly in form. Mr. Proctor, the leading solicitor of Marton, who had been at school with Harold Dynevor, their wedding. Not a year after her and remained his close friend, said they can therefore be easily trained in death he let the Manor to General Cra- that to upset it would be quite im-

> So Eustace Lindon enjoyed his thousands and the Dynevors grew poorer every year. The father lived till his only son was old enough to take up the burden he had borne so bravely. the importation of the skins, from His dying words charged Harold to be good to his mother and Kitty, and never, if he could help it, accept any favor at the hands of Eustace Lindon.

"I can't explain it to you, my boy," past since my illness began. I would lion dollars." the law, Eustace Lindon could not not say a word to your mother, lest she should broad over it; but I can't help feeling Lindon did not play straight. Your Aunt Nina was little more than a child when he married repeated it. When Mrs. Dynevor mar- Dynevor Manor had been in our fam-

"Do you mean you think the will was

"No: I believe it was obtained from | paid it.

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 bave been more natural."

Mr. Dynevor shook his head.

"It's a mystery we shan't fathom here, my boy. Only, with the instinct God sends sometimes to the dying, ! seem to feel that Lindon is to blame.

And that was the story of the past. It was not strange that, remembering There was not the least mystery his father's last words, it was torture to Harold Dynevor to think that the mortgage on his mother's home was held by Eustace Lindon.

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 learned in 'ologies and science, perwelcomed the bride warmly. Frank haps, but well gifted to make those

Harold felt quite refreshed after his "in case farming failed;" but he was tea, and asked his sister cheerfully if been known in Sussex for many gen- not a businesslike man, and, being in any one had been there that afternoon. "Only Helen Craven. She wants us

went, his mother was devoted to him, there was no hurry, and he might well to go to dinner there next week. I

When the Cravens settled at Dynevor Manor they made it perfectly clear within a year of the wedding was a to the family at the Uplands that they regarded them as friends and equals. father took it into his head to go out The young Dynevors had spent some 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 senger, who had been with him a great 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 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 ware forced to see that

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

"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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Parents Liability for Child's Fare.

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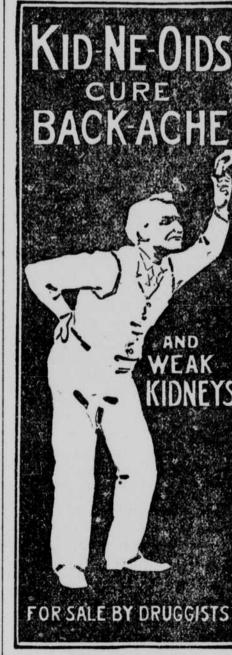
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