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By William Black

in had ceased to speak. It was a most excellent scheme; he convinced himself that it would work right well, because it was based on common-sense.

When he arrived at the great house in Grosvenor Place, he went at once into the dining-room, and found, though not to surprise, that dinner was just about over. There were only three persons seated on the long table, which was sumptuously furnished with fruit, flowers, and silver. At the head was Vin Harris's father—Mr. Harland Harris, a stout, square-set, somewhat bourgeois-looking man, with stiff, pedantic, and pompous manner, who, nevertheless, showed his scorn of conventionalities by wearing a suit of gray tweed. On his right sat his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ellison, a remarkably pretty young widow, tall and elegant of figure, with wavy brown hair, shrewd blue eyes and a most charming smile, that she could use with effect; the third member of the group being Mr. Ogden, the great electioneer of the North, a big heavy man, with Yorkshire-looking shoulders, a bald head, and small piggy eyes set in a wide extent of face. Mr. Ogden was resplendent in evening dress, if his shining shirt-front was rather billowy.

"What's this now?" said the pretty Mrs. Ellison to the young man, as he came and pulled in a chair and sat down by her. "Haven't you had any dinner?" "Good little children come in with dessert," said he, as he carelessly helped himself to some olives and a glass of claret. "It's too hot to eat food—unusual for May, isn't it? Besides, I had a late luncheon with Musselburgh." "Lord Musselburgh?" put in Mr. Ogden. "I wonder when his lordship is going to tell what he means to be—an owner of race-horses, or a yachtsman, or a statesman? It seems to me he can't make up his own mind; and the public don't know whether to take him seriously or not." "Lord Musselburgh," said Master Vin, firing up in the defence of his friend, "is an English gentleman, who thinks he ought to support English institutions; and I dare say that is why he does not find saving grace in the caucus."

Perhaps there was more rudeness than point in this remark; but Mrs. Ellison's eyes laughed—decorously and unobserved. She said aloud:

"For my part, I consider Lord Musselburgh a very admirable young man. He has offered me the box-seat on his coach at the next meet of the Four-in-Hand Club."

"And are you going, aunt?" her nephew asked.

"Yes, certainly." "Hard on Musselburgh, won't it be, rather?" he observed, in a casual sort of way.

"Why?" "Because if you are on the box-seat nobody will look at his team."

"None of your impertinence, sir," said she; but she was pleased all the same. "Boys must not say such things to their grandmothers."

Now, the advent of Master Vin was opportune; for Mr. Harris, finding that his sister-in-law had now someone of like mind to talk to, left those two frivolous persons alone, and addressed himself exclusively to his bulky friend from the North. And his discourse took the form of pointing out what were the practical and definite aims that socialism had to place before itself. As to general principles, all thinking men were agreed. Everyone who had remarked the signs of the times knew that the next movement in modern life must be the emancipation of the wage-slave. The tyranny of the capitalist—worse than any tyranny that existed under the feudal system—must be cribbed and confined; too long had he gorged himself with the fruits of the labors of his fellow-creatures. The most despicable of tyrants, he; not only robbing and plundering the hapless being at his mercy, but debasing their lives, depriving them of their individualism, of the self-respect which was the birthright of the humblest handicraftsman of the Middle Ages, and making of them mere machines for the purpose of filling his pockets with useful and inordinate wealth. What was to be done, then? What were the immediate steps to be taken in order to alter this monstrous and abominable plunder, far more iniquitous than anything that Henry VIII. ever did when he destroyed the monasteries and stole the public lands from the poor and gave them to his barons and courtiers? It was all very well to make processions to Pere Lachaise, and wave red flags,

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and was eloquent over the graves of the Communists; but there was wanted something more than talk, something more than a tribute to the memory of the martyrs, something actual to engage our own efforts, if the poor man was not to be forever ground to the dust, himself and his starving family, by the relentless plutocrat and his convenient freedom of contract. Let the state, then, that engine of oppression which had been invented by the rich—now see whether it could not do something for all classes under its care; let it consider the proletariat as well as the unscrupulous landlord and the sordid and selfish bourgeois. Already it was working the telegraphs, the post-office, the parcels post, the dock, and saving banks; and if it regulated the wages it paid by waggerate of the outside market,

that was because it followed the wicked old system of unequal distribution of profit that was soon to be destroyed. That would be speedily amended. What further, then? The land for the people first of all. As clear as daylight was the right of the people to the land; let the state assume possession, and manage it—its mines and minerals, its agriculture, its public grounds and parks—for the benefit of all, not for the profit of a pampered few. The state must buy and own railways, must establish communal centres of distribution for the purchase and exchange of goods, must break down monopoly everywhere and the iron power of commercialism that was crushing the life out of the masses of the population. The state must organize production, so that each man shall do

his share of work demanded by the community, and no more. But here Mrs. Ellison, who had doubtless heard and read all this before, turned away altogether. She asked her nephew to give her some more strawberries. "I say, Vin," she remarked, incidentally, "what very beautiful dessert-plates these are! I don't remember them. Where did you get them?" "I thought you would admire them," said he. "They are my father's own design." "Really! I call them very handsome, and so quaint and unusual. He must tell me where I can get some of them; when I go back to Brighton I should like to take a few with me for my small establishment." "But you can't, aunt," he said. "Why?" (To Be Continued)

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