

CHAPTER II

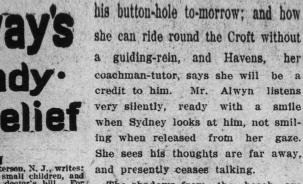
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Over this part of the business he had of late demurred more than once, the last time with serious yexation, but with no better success than to bring down upon himself a prolonged dose of sullen indignation and a heavy purchase of costly "Satsuma" for the drawing room shelves. And possibly this state of things troubled the lawyer more than he cared to confess, or in fact had any one to confess to. But it seems to Sydney that. just at this time when recollection of her father begins, he grew older and graver very fast indeed.

Other people were of the same opinion.

"You're not looking yourself, Alwyn," the Rector of St. Clement's said, advancing from his garden gate one morning as the lawyer drove by to his office. Sydney perched by his side according to frequent custom. "I don't believe, after all, Guyswick suits you half as well as 'Stuarts' did."

""Half! no, not a hundredth part," answered John Alwyn, hastily; "though," pulling himself up short, too proud to parade his troubles, "the place is well enough in its way. Why don't you come and see us oftener?" "Oh, you know," evasively returned the clergyman, "I'm busy. My boy is back from Oxford. I'm coaching him through the 'long.' But I do want a chat with you about"-drop-If it will suit you."



Mrs. J. Westervelt of Paterson, N. J., writes: 'I have a large family of small children, and it has saved me many a doctor's bill. For uninsy sore throat it is a king over that. My ittle girl has sprained her ankle and is com-ng around fine without any other doctor than Radway's Ready Relief." and presently ceases talking. gone now. Twilight fills the room as they still sit on, and Leonora's even-**CURES SORE THROAT** ing practice jingles on upstairs un-

pply the Relief to the throat and chest ii the surface smarts and reddens. Give way's Pills in such dozes as will freely the bowels. For a sudden cold, take a te doze of Radway's Pills, and a teaspoon-of Relief with a teaspoonful of molasses, a tumbler of hot water. Retire at once to A profuse perspirition will be reak out, ceasingly. The child is half asleep cottage. when a strange step on the gravel ler brings in a lamp and something journ. the morving the cold will be gone RADWAY & CO., Montreal, Can. in a pink envelope.

the third time I have accepted for missive. She would read it too, ungracious and provoking of you. but he puts her aside, kisses her to nurse. There her father comes They may take offense. Lady Wynne slowly once-twice-and bids her go round morning or evening to see her. always look incredulous when I say to bed. you are unwell, or something of the

night," returns Mr. Alwyn, wearily; ney, in a spasm of wakefulness.

Mrs. Alywn flashes at him a doubt- troubled, bids him be quick back, and ing glance. stay at your office so late?

"Expecting letters." course, to my convenience! You

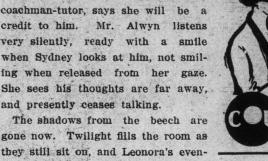
knew I should wait till you came back, to see whether you were going with me or no."

"I assured you I should not before the end of time. I left this morning. They are people

crazed me."

sort."

apology for once."



of her old working circle to nurse's

There Sydney, to her unfailing desets the dogs barking, then the but- light, is sometimes allowed a so-

When her mother takes Leonora to Sydney thinks she has tired her fa- the sea, when any epidemic is reportther leaning so long upon his arm, ed at Guyswick, or if any jar domestic lessens the establishment for a time the child is sent for a few days There she revels in the freedom of

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Then he comes up for another good- her oldest frocks, and learns the night, with a leather bag in his hand, letters and syllables, so difficult to "She need not be incredulous to- another coat upon his arm, and Syd- attain in the school-room at home, quite easily off the tombstones in the

there will be no pretense about your stifles her lamentations over his go- churchyard under Taffy's spectacled ing a journey because he looks so instructions.

Naturally, they make much of the follows, a little barefooted, white- little lady at the cottage, for, over "If you are not well, why did you night-gowned figure, to watch over and above their genuine fondness for the balusters for the last glimpse of her, the visits of the rich man's child him as he leaves thus, in unexplained are pleasant little windfalls to these

"And never gave a thought, of haste, his splendid home at Guyswick. frugal folk." So they keep a tiny cupboard-like apartment, with a diamond Butt, Walter, retd. CHAPTER III.

paned casement that tiger-lilies peep Barr. Mrs. D. F. And this is the other scene, which, in at, and monthly roses are always

misty of detail, will haunt Sydney to blooming round, for her very own. Carnham, Mrs., late Grand Falls. They mostly find some infant chicks A pretty hamlet at a little distance or downy rabbits for her playmates. Carter, J., (card) Duckworth Street. out of our range. The effort of an from Guyswick. A gray old church They fiy a swing for her in the big evening there, now when I'm haras- looming up across a rustic road, near russet apple-tree, and pluck for her Cromwell, Miss Minnie, Alexander St.

sed in all directions, would have by the fruit-trees of a cottage garden. any flowers her fancy fixes on. Crawley, Mrs. Mary, A warm sunny afternoon, with the She is in the swing by Taffy's side Connor. Mrs. Mary His tone is so broken, so dejected, great humming of bees and scent of now, as with arms upward clinging to Connor, Jack Corbett, William that Sydney's eyes fill suddenly with stocks and wall-flowers in the air. the ropes she sits slowly iswaying Churchill, Allan, Circular Road,

"that investment of mine. I'll come round to your office soon-this week. Cave, Miss L., Goodview Street. dressing table to her father's elbow. some minor-keyed ditty by an old and her old guardian, stopping the Conway, Mrs. K., Duckworth Street. "Next will do better," said the law-te

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yer, gathering up the slackened reins er own grievance. The Wynnes were ed stuff, with snow-white cap and her, thinks this last of her s fosterplaned in front, knitting dili- flock is the fairest of them all, and gently under the shade of a vellow wonders what makes her chargeling look so grave.



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W. J. Robertson,

Dear Sir .--

ame.

was not given to signs of impatience And well, littl by not being a boy, eh? A lad could have been helping his father by now couldn't he?"

"So can a girl! So can I, so will!" returned Sydney, her great dark eyes, sometimes hazel. some times deepest blue, dilating with unchild-like anxiety. did everyone keep telling her fathe he looked ill?") "Pana may I stay with you to-day, and sit by you ar stamp your letters? You like the sometimes, don't vou?" "Little goose," he answered, fondly, "don't I like it always? We'll in-

dulge in that treat soon, when we're not so full of work.' "Nor so full of cares." thought th rector, as he stepped back and them drive on. "It strikes me. John

Alwyn, that marriage of yours we about the made in your life!" nearly, but unfortunately not quite the truth.

Two scenes of that the first sun ner registered in Sydney's memor abide with her, never to be effaced

One is of a June evening, herself led to a much-decorated dressing formal good-night to her other, who, very dazzling and su-

is arrayed for some evening Her father stands by the win-"It is the third time," Mrs. Alwyn

es of annovance that she s not soften as the child enters.



The was bent on dragging her husand to their dinner laburnum This is "Taffy," or "Mrs. Taverner"

affectionately abbreviated, the nurse last piece of official work was presiding over Sydney's very earliest "Or " he

interrupted, looking a faint gleam of his old admriation at daughter, once a servant at arts," whose husband married your engagements and stay at He is clerk of the church with the old man you've tied yourself

is that such a hard fate? close by: a thirfty hard-working soul Helen"-he used the name so soldom she started to hear it, and drew a till night, putting his few pounds by each year against a rainy day, or may EUROPEAN as he advanced-"I'm worand-and anxious. Could be for a legacy to his good "missus." oried now. on not forego this dinner? Could or a fortune for the lasses who are you not stay with me this evening?" now doing for themselves in honest

She gathers up the long train of her beautiful gleaming dress with a ges-They are steady, sterling people all, ture of irritation at such an inconsid- in their way, and the elder dame is erate suggestiofn. a prodigious favorite with all her "You know the St. Heliers are to children, as she calls a goodly list,

e there?" she says, with an emphas- beginning with men long since out of s which seems to express that such their teens, ending with Sydney Alwyn. Her duties with the brood society would draw her from any duty on earth: "I am alive to the com- whose first cries she hushed have not

pliment of being asked to meet them, finished with the nursery, as many of Mr. Alwyn, if you are not! Don't her grown-up babies testify, for

ome down with me if you are not hopes and fears, troubles and joys, vell. Lettice will put my cloak on, loves and hates, find their way to thank you. Good-night. And. Syd- Taffy's sympathetic confidence often ney," just stopping to let the child before the household they belong to touch her cheek, "you may well be half suspect them, and rarely a week goes by without bringing a visitor out

pale. You ought to be in bed!" The carriage wheels sound down the sweep and past the chestnut drive, by the courtesying woman at the lodge; and quite sure now the house-mistress is gone, Sydney car-

esses her father's listless hand as he sighs heavily, and asks-"Shall we go down, papa, to your

dinner? And need I go to bed? with him a little while

of lawn spangled with ronto. ed from the setting sun by wide boughs of a glorious emerald-tinted

beech The red light flickers through the leaves and sets the shadows dancing on the walls. Chaffinches by dozens keep cheep-cheep-che-e-ping outside. Sydney tells her father the doings of

the day: how her white rose is out at last: he is to have the first bud for

Presently Sydney calls to her-"Taffy, when did I come-here?" "On Tuesday, my pretty." "And what's to-day?"

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mother gone out too, Miss Syd-(To be Continued.)

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