Andrew Walter's Christmas Eve.

A STORY IN THREE CHAPTERS.

Could any one wonder, reckoning up the loss he had on his brother's death, the expense ever since of maintaining the family, the cost of his son's vessel, and of the valuable cargo with which he had freighted her, that all these things together had found the end of his resources? The latest report indeed was that he had just failed to effect a further mortgage on his property; that the present mortgagee, who had given notice to foreclose at the end of the present quarter, could not be pacified or paid, and that there must be a sale.

'And so,' concluded Mr. Botley, the grocer, 'to Mr. Skinner, the draper (each of whom had a bill of a few shillings against poor Andrew Walter)—'and so it is one makes bad debts, and loses one's money by other folks' faults, as doesn't care to work so hard for it.'
'Just so,' said Mr. Skinner.
'And no doubt'we shall have our fine gentleman here in a few days,' remarked Mr. Botley again, 'to offer us half a crown in the pound.'
'And,' said Skinner, 'if he comes I shall here in a few increase of way and I. I. A STORY IN THREE CHAPTERS

pound.'
'And,' said Skinner, 'if he comes I shall be sure to give him a piece of my mind: I shall be sure to do it.'

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N'IME OF TROUBLE.

Andrew Walter's house pleasantly overlooked the town, both house and inmates
being happily lifted above their neighbour's
spite and unfriendliness. Though—not to
be too hard upon the town—we will bear in
mind that it is not always the people who
say the unkindest words who do the unkindeat deeds, and will hope that East Wykeham, too, should Andrew Walter ever have
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If, as the winter day closed in, the reader could have walked up the well-kept gravelled path, defended by choice shrubs, and could have stood at the bright window, whose panes flashed beneath the firelight, this is what he would have seen inside as sung a room as he could wish to look upon. First, a man somewhat passed the middle age, well knit, and sinewy, with a facekindly and pleasant, though not without lines of care, and at present foll of perplexity. He sits with his elbow on his knee, and his chin upon his hand, looking steadily into the fire, in which he does not seem to read any clear answer to the question he is asking. This is Andrew Walter.

Next, a girl of about eighteen, but looking older as it a premature responsibility had sobered her merry face. She sits at a table which is covered with with the shaped into letters. This is Maggie, Andrew's eldest anghter.

Mext, another girl, some four years younger, wonderfully like her sister but more like her father. She, too, is busy constructing, with wire and string to halp, a long rope or ropes of leafy green. This is a faith, the seennaden of only six year's old, but persuades herself she, too, is usefully busy, with needle and thread, making a necklace of the scarlet holly berries. Her name is Lucy.

The girls, it is to be noticed, are all in black, seemingly of the newest, and deepest; and there seems to be but little speaking amongst them.

One could not look upon the man without feeling that he was a man of strong passions and affections; nor on the girls without feeling they were all in all to each other and to him.

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Until the last year the current of his life had flowed smoothly and prosperously. He had had but one great sorrow—the loss of his wife; and that sorrow having befallen him when his little maid was born, had been softened by time, though not (and not to be) forgotten. Now, however, he was indeed in troubled waters. That town's talk about money matters and an impracticable mortgage was in the main correct. He had, in one way or other, lost nearly all he had. And at his tire of life it was hard to have to devise plans of keeping the wolf from the door, All kinds of pecuniary loss, loss of position, loss of comforts and hixuries, were, nevertheless, but deprivations of things he might hope to win back again; or, failing that, he could face the want of them with manly fortitude and resignation.

The one loss to which he could not bring himself to be submissive (being that which no strength of arm or activity of brain could ever bring back again), was the loss of his boy. 'The sea, indeed, shall give up its dead,' he said to himself, 'but not to me.'

He took from his pocket-book and read once more the account, cut out from a Calcuta newspaper, of the great catastrophe in the Hooghly which had bereaved him. It gave, as far as was known, the names of all vessels lost, with the port to which they belonged, the captain's name, and a brief description of the nature of the damage in each New his son James had sailed from Eug.

longed, the captain's name, and a brief description of the nature of the damage in each case.

Now his son James had sailed from England not for Calcutta but Hong Kong, and it was clear he must have encountered such terrible weather as had first driven him far ont of his course, and, at the last, compelled him to run for the Hooghly, just at the time when that river was a vortex of destruction to every craft that entered it.

In addition to the particulars got from the newspapers, he had obtained, through the consular agency, this further information:—The evidence on which the name of the captain had been published as 'supposed J. E. Walter' was that, entangled amongst the wreck of the 'All is Well' had been found a portion of a captain's coat in the breast-pocket of which had been found several papers, all of which were quite illegible except one empty envelope, the address of which had been deciphered as 'Captain J. E. Walter, the "All is Well." Cape Town.' The English post-marks were 'East—ykeham,' and 'London,' date illegible. This envelope Andrew Walter had procured to be forwarded to him, and had found the handwriting upon it to be his own. After seeing which he gave up all the faint hope to which he had elung, and had treasued this old envelope as the last, link of communication which he knew to have passed between him and his son.

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