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IN THE SLAVE-SHED.

An African Woman Relates Her Sad Story to a White Traveler.

"Well, perhaps you are right, perhaps you are right, my dear," said the old gentleman, smiling. "I only hope that my time may come first. I have lived here all my life, and I know that I could not live anywhere else. But God's will be done. And now, my dear, go to bed."

CHAPTER VI. LAWYER QUEST.

The day following the conversation described in the last chapter was one of those glorious autumn mornings which sometimes comes as a faint compensation for the utter gloom and bitter disappointment of the season which, in this country, we dignify by the name of summer. Notwithstanding his vigil and melancholy of the night before, the squire was up early, and, like, who between one thing and another had not had the best of nights, heard his loud, cheery voice shouting about the place for "George."

"Yes, sir, that's it; and that's what he wants to see you about." "More money, I suppose," said Mr. Quest. "Well, yes, you see there will be the servants to meet, and then the farm is three hundred acres, and to stock it proper means nine pounds an acre quite, on this here tawny land."



What is it that brings you to Boston?

"I was living with my husband and three children in an inland village, a few miles from here. My husband was a hunter. Ten days ago the Lufembe attacked our settlement; my husband defended himself, but was overpowered and speared to death with several of the other villagers. I was brought here with my three children, two of whom have already been purchased by the traders. I shall never see them any more. Perhaps they will kill them on the death of some chief, or perhaps kill them for food. My remaining child, you see, is ill, dying from starvation; they give us nothing to eat. I expect even this one will be taken from me to-day, as the chief, fearing lest it should die and become a total loss, has offered it for a very small price. As for myself, said she, "they will sell me to one of the neighboring tribes, to toll in the plantations, and when I become old and unfit for work I shall be killed."

"Yes, squire, the pony is here; and if it be fat it bears the weight of movement." "No, sir, it is not fat," said the squire, looking at the pony. "And what is its price?" "Five shillings an acre. You see, sir, it's this way. That army gent, Major Boston, as is agent for all the college lands down the valley, he is a poor weak fool, and when all these tenants come to him and say that they must either have the land at five shillings an acre or go, he gets scared, he does, and down goes the rent of some of the best meadow land in the country from thirty-five shillings to five. Of course it don't signify to him not a half-penny—the college must pay him his salary all the same—and he don't know no more about farming, nor land, nor nothing, than my old mare yonder. Well, and what comes of it? Of course every tenant on the place hears that these college lands are going for five shillings an acre, they prick up their ears and say they must have their land at the same figure; and it's all owing to that Boston varmint, who ought to be kicked through every hole on the place and then drowned in a ditch."

"Yes, you're right there, George; that's my life is a public enemy, and ought to be treated as such, but the times are very bad, with corn down to twenty-nine—very bad." "I'm not saying that they ain't bad, squire," said his retainer, his long face lighting up "they are bad, cruel bad, but for everybody. And I'm not denying that they are bad for the tenants, but if they are bad for the tenants, they are worse for the landlord. It all comes to his shoulders in the long run. If you find that they can get land at five shillings an acre that's worth ten, why ain't it in human nature to pay twenty; and if they find that the landlord must go as they drive him, of course they'll lay on the whip. Why, bless you, sir, when a tenant comes and says that he is very sorry but he finds he can't pay his rent in nine cases out of ten, if you could just look at that man's bank book you'd find that the bank was paid, the tradesmen were paid, the doctor's paid, everybody's paid before he thinks about his rent. Let the landlord suffer because he can't help himself; but, Lord bless you, if a hundred pounds was overdue to the bank, it would have the inwards out of him in no time, and he knows it. Now, as for that varmint Jester to tell me that he can't pay fifteen shillings an acre for the Mead farm is nonsense. I only wish I had the capital to take it at the price."

"Well, George," said the squire, "I think that if it can be managed I shall borrow the money and take the farm in hand. I am not going to let Jester have it at five shillings an acre." "Ah, sir, that's the best way. A few times, it would go hard if I can't see the interest and the rent out of it too. He squire, if you give way about this farm, all the others will come down on you. I'm not saying a word in your tenants, but where there's money to be made you can't trust no man."

"So he means to borrow the money if he can get it," said his retainer, as he sat, an invisible auditor, doing his part by the open window. "George can do more with him in five minutes than I can in a week, and I know that he hates Jester. I believe that Jester threw up the farm because of his quarreling with George. Well, I suppose that we must take our chance."

Meanwhile George had mounted his cart and departed upon the road to Bostingham, urging his fat pony along as though he meant to be there in twenty minutes. But so soon as he was well out of the reach of the squire's shouts and sight of the castle gates, he deliberately turned up a lane and jogged along for a mile or more to a farm where he had a long conversation with a man about thatching his roof. Thence he quietly made his way to his own little place, where he proceeded to comfortably get his breakfast, remarking to his wife that he was of opinion that there was no hurry about the squire's letter, as "laryers" wasn't in the habit of coming to office at 9 in the morning. Breakfast over, the philosophic George got into his cart, the fat pony having been led up outside, and leisurely drove into the picturesque old town which lay at the head of the valley. All along the main street he met many acquaintances, and with each he found it necessary to stop and have a talk, indeed, with two he had a modest half pint. At length, however, his labor over, he arrived at Mr. Quest's office, that, as all the Bostingham men knew, is just opposite the church, of which Mr. Quest is one of the church wardens, and which was but two years ago beautifully restored, mainly owing to his efforts and generous contributions. Driving up to the small and quiet looking doorway of a very unpretentious building, George descended and knocked, where a clerk

opened the door and in answer to his inquiries informed him that he believed Mr. Quest had just come over to the office.

In another minute he was shown into a large room of the ordinary country office class, and there at the table sat Mr. Quest himself.

Mr. Quest was a man of about 40 years of age, rather under than over, with a pale, ascetic cast of face, and a quiet and pleasant, though somewhat reserved, manner. His features were in no way remarkable, with the exception of his eyes, which seemed to have been set in his head owing to some curious error of nature. For whereas his general tone was dark, his hair in particular being jet black, his eyes were gray, and jarred extraordinarily upon their companion features. For the rest, he was a man of some presence, and with the manners of a gentleman.

"Well, George," he said, "what is it that brings you to Bostingham? A letter from the squire? Thank you. Take a seat, will you, while I look through it. Umph! Wants very sorry, but I can't manage that way. Ah, I see—about the Mead farm. Jester told me he was going to throw it up; and I advised him to do nothing of the sort, but he is a despatched sort of a fellow, Jester is, and Major Boston has upset the whole country side by his very ill advised action about the college lands."

"Jester's varmint, and Major Boston—begging his pardon for the language—is an ass, sir. Anywhere, then, is Jester has thrown up, and where I am to find a tenant between now and Michaelmas I don't know; in fact, with the college lands going at five shillings an acre, there's no chance." "Then what does the squire propose to do—take the land in hand?" "Yes, sir, that's it; and that's what he wants to see you about." "More money, I suppose," said Mr. Quest. "Well, yes, you see there will be the servants to meet, and then the farm is three hundred acres, and to stock it proper means nine pounds an acre quite, on this here tawny land."

CHAPTER VII. EDWARD COSBY, ESQ.

After George had drunk his glass of wine and given his opinion as to the best way to deal with the dangerous mortgage on the Bostingham church, he took the note, united the fat pony and rambled off back to Honham, leaving the lawyer alone. As soon as he was gone Mr. Quest threw himself back in his chair—an oak one, by the way, for he had a very pretty taste in antiques—and plunged into a brown study.

Presently he leaned forward, unlocked the top drawer of his writing table and extracted from it a letter addressed to himself, which he had received that very morning. It was from the principals of the great banking firm of Cosby & Son, and dated from their head office in Mincing Lane. This letter ran as follows:

[Private and confidential.] "DEAR SIR—We have considered your report as to the extensive mortgages which we hold upon the Honham Castle estates, and have given due weight to your arguments as to the advisability of allowing Mr. de la Mollie time to give things a chance of righting. But we must tell you that we can see no prospect of any such action of the mortgagees, and we are, therefore, unable to do anything at any rate for some years to come. All the information that we are able to gather points to a further decrease in the value of land rather than to a recovery. The interest on the mortgages in question is moreover a year in arrear, probably owing to the non-receipt of rents by Mr. de la Mollie. Under these circumstances, such as it gives us to take action against Mr. de la Mollie, with whose family we have had dealings for five generations, we can see no alternative but foreclosure, and hereby instruct you to take the necessary preliminary steps to bring it about in the usual manner. We are, presuming that Mr. de la Mollie is not in a position to pay off the mortgages, quite aware of the risk of a forced sale, and should be glad to assist you in the present unprecedented condition of the land market, such a sale should result in a

loss, although the sum recoverable does not amount to half the valuation of the estates, which was undertaken at our instance about twenty years ago, on the occasion of the first advance. The only alternative, however, would be for the estate to be sold at once, and the property or to buy it in. But this would be a course totally inconsistent with the usual practice of the bank, and, what is more, our confidence in the stability of landed property is so utterly shattered by our recent experience that we can not burden ourselves by such a course, preferring, however, we hope to our immediate loss, the more certain and its great natural advantages as a residential estate will revert, or at the least diminish.

"Be so good as to advise us by an early post of the steps you take in pursuance of these instructions." "We are, dear sir, your obedient servants, "Cosby & Son."

"W. Quest, Esq. "P. S.—We have thought it better to address you direct in this matter, not of course you will communicate the contents of this letter to Mr. Edward Cosby, and, subject to our instructions, which are final, act in consultation with him."

"Well," said Mr. Quest to himself, as he folded up the sheet of paper, "that is about as straight as it can be put. And this is the time that the old gentleman chooses to ask for another four thousand. He may say, but the answer will be more than he bargains for."

He rose from the chair and began to walk up and down the room in evident perplexity. "If only," he said, "I had twenty-five thousand and I would take up the mortgages myself and foreclose at my leisure. It would be a good investment at that figure, even as things are, and besides, I should like to have that place. Twenty-five thousand, only twenty thousand, and now when I want it I have not got it. And I should have had it if I had not been so stupid. There were two Edgots. She had more than that out of me in the last ten years, and still she is threatening and crying for more, more, more—Tiger, yes, that is the name for her, her own name, too. She would coin one's vitals into money if she could. All Belle's fortune she had, or nearly all, and most of my savings, and now she wants another five hundred, and she'll have it, too. There were two Edgots. 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