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.....said that Hindley had to borrow money because he had very large debts. Heathcliff often went to Thrushcross Grange.

We noticed that Miss Isabella, who was now eighteen years old, was very pale and looked unhappy. One day Catherine said she was going to call the doctor. "I'm not ill" retorted Isabella. "I'm unhappy because you are so unkind to me."

"I am unkind!" said Catherine.

"What have I done?"

"Well, when we were walking on the moors yesterday with Heathcliff, you told me to go where I wanted while you went on with him."

She began to cry.

"What's unkind about that?"

"YOU want no-one to be loved but yourself."

"What do you mean, Isabella?"

"I love Mr Heathcliff more than you ever loved Edgar – and he might love ME, if you let him!"

"My dear girl," said Catherine. "I don't envy you. You don't know the man. He is my friend, but I tell you he has a cruel heart. He might marry you but if he does, it will only be for your money!"

Isabella ran far from the room crying.

The next time Heathcliff came to visit, Catherine make sure Isabella was in the room. "Come in!" she said to Heathcliff. "Here are two women who are happy to have you as a companion. In fact this young lady is fonder of you than I am!" Isabella blushed with shame and left the room. "Why did you embarrass the girl like that?" asked Heathcliff. "Anyway, are you sure it's true?" "I am" was Catherine's answer. "And she is her brother's heir, isn't she?" "Not if I have a son," said Catherine, but Heathcliff gave a quick, evil smile.

Heathcliff continued to visit Thrushcross Grange and his visits worried me as much as my master. One day I caught him kissing Isabella in the garden. Catherine also saw them. She was furious. "What are you doing Heathcliff?" she shouted. "I told you to leave the girl alone". "You ruined my life, was his reply. Let me at least enjoy myself a little." "All you want to do is making people miserable," answered Catherine. "Me, Edgar and now his sister!" When Edgar heard about it, he marched into the kitchen and ordered Heathcliff to leave the house and never come back there. "Your little lamb has turned into a lion," said Heathcliff to Catherine mockingly. Edgar made a move to attack Heathcliff but his body begun to tremble and he become as pale as death. "I hope this coward gives you lots of joy," said Heathcliff. "Is he crying or is he going to faint with fear?" Linton jumped up and hit Heathcliff. Then he turned and left the room". "Now he's gone to get the servants and probably a gun, " said Catherine. Get out of here, fast, and don't come back. You've played an evil trick on me!" Heathcliff left. Catherine asked me to go with her upstairs. "I am nearly mad, Nelly, " she said. "Tell Isabella to stay away from me. SHE is the cause of all this. And tell Edgar I may be seriously ill, I hope so. I want to frighten him. If I can't keep Heathcliff as my friend, the I'll try to break both their hearts by breaking my own..... (to be continued)