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I

## Virginia Pomeroy

DARTMOOR, DEVONSHIRE

THE GREY TOR INN

Tuesday, May 18th, 19—

When my poor father died five years ago, the doctor told my mother that she must have an entire change. We left America at once, and we have been travelling ever since, always in the British Isles, as the sound of foreign languages makes mamma more nervous. As a matter of fact, the doctor did not advise eternal change, but that is the interpretation mamma has placed upon his command, and so we are forever moving on, like What's-his-name in "Bleak House." It is not so extraordinary, then, that we are in the Devonshire moorlands, because one