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5.1 Conclusion

From what has been discussed in the previous chapter, the writer would conclude that man's behavior is strongly influenced by their view of life, their environment, and the condition where they live.

Cabot's greed actually reveals in this play because of his own view of life. Cabot is so devoted to his limited view what is to be right that he becomes irrational and cannot see the reality. When people at that time compete in getting money Cabot still holds his view of life-he rejects the easy life. Cabot prefers living in the stony land to living in a fertile land; Cabot has a passion to turn the stony land into productive. Unconsciously his passion that he has turned him becomes greedy.

On the other hand, Abbie becomes greedy because of the economic condition that she has. Being tired of the hard life, her meeting with Ephraim is her opportunity to be a rich woman and that is the reason why she marries the old Cabot.

Passion itself reveals in this play through Eben's and Abbie's characters. Eben has two kinds of passion. They are the passion to possess the farm and the passion toward Abbie. His passion to possess the farm reveals when he knows that the farm is actually belonging to his mother. He fights as hard as he can so that it becomes his. Eben's passion toward Abbie reveals because of his *Oedipus Complex* symptom.

Abbie's passion toward Eben emerges because of Ephraim's strange behavior and the environment at that time.

Being seventy-five, Cabot actually cannot awaken Abbie's sexual desire. Moreover, Cabot as a husband treats his new wife as a stranger. Cabot prefers sleeping with cows in the barn rather than with his wife.

The sexual intercourse between Eben and Abbie is growing deep since the environment at the time was quite tolerant to adultery. This condition surely encourages Abbie and Eben to have such adultery since their environment was quite tolerant with it.

5.2 Suggestion

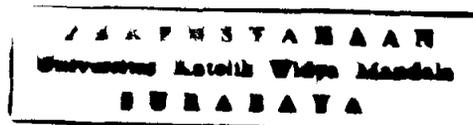
By reading literature, the readers can grasp many advantages. First, the readers can increase their knowledge of vocabularies and the way of thinking of the various characters in a story. Second, it can also improve the reading comprehension ability because by reading a literary work, someone will be encouraged not only to find information but also to grasp the meaning beyond the story as well. Third, the readers could get some important illustrations about human kind with the problematic experiences in facing life realities. This might be useful because as human beings the writer as well as the readers cannot escape from realities even though it is painful and requiring much exertions.

Through this study, the writer as well as the readers is suggested not to judge other person if they do not know exactly what is beyond their life. Throughout this

study, the readers will know that man is limited in controlling his own destiny since his behavior is strongly influenced by environment, and heredity traits. Eben, for example, is trapped by forces that he cannot control or understand. His affair with Abbie is actually against his will.

Through this study, the writer also hopes that the results of the study and the way the study is conducted will interest the students in appreciating literary works.

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