

CHARACTER SKETCHES

Rattrap Seller:

Poverty stricken life, difficult circumstances.

- Begging, petty thievery and selling rattraps occasionally were his means of livelihood.
- Morally not upright
- Spares not even his host the old crofter-cheats him of his 30 kronors.
- Takes advantage of situations and opportunities. Philosophical and thoughtful (ponderous)
- Basic/inherent goodness in man is brought out in him through the kindness of Edla.

Ironmaster's Daughter Edla Willmanson

- Kind, compassionate, shy, modest, humble and a great host.
- With a keen perception and an extremely sharp observation, she zeroes down on the fact that the peddler had robbed someone or was on the run. She could even judge that he did not seem to be lettered.
- In a subtle way she brings out the hidden but inherent goodness of the peddler by liberating him from the 'philosophical' trap; of his own raking.
- Persuasive
- Truly/aptly deserves the titles: Honourable and Noble.

The ironmaster

- Successful Businessman famous for supplying good quality iron products.
- Was an army officer earlier
- Dedicated businessman
- Hasty and haughty in temperament.
- Not a good judge of characters