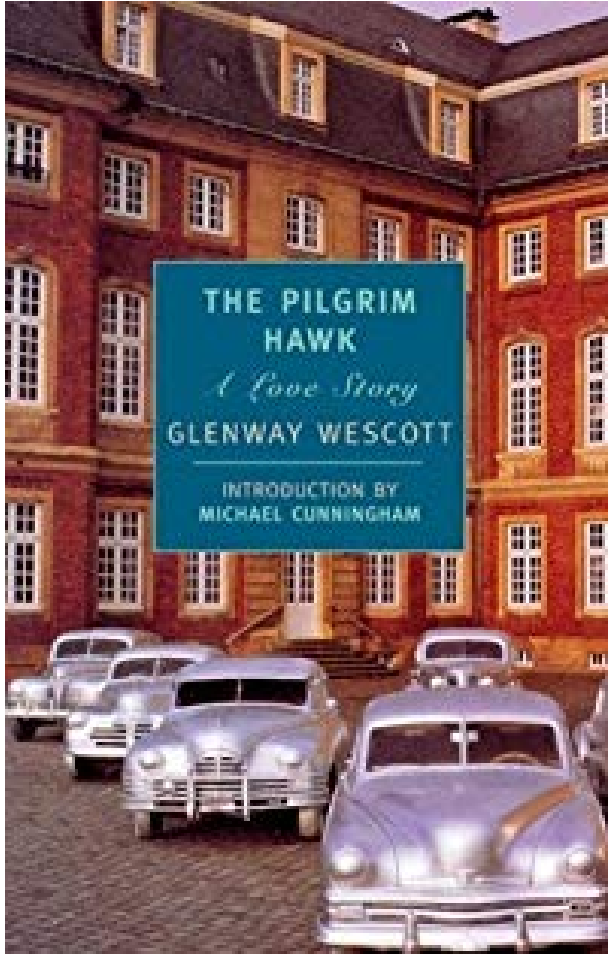


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This powerful short novel describes the events of a single afternoon. Alwyn Towers, an American expatriate and sometime novelist, is staying with a friend outside of Paris, when a well-heeled, itinerant Irish couple drops in—with Lucy, their trained hawk, a rest, sullen, disturbingly totemic presence. Lunch is prepared, drink flows. A masquerade, at once harrowing and farcical, begins.

A work of classical elegance and concision, *The Pilgrim Hawk* stands with Faulkner's *The Bear* as one of the finest American short novels: a beautifully crafted story that is also a poignant evocation of the implacable power of love.