CHAPTER III

ANALYSIS

This chapter discussed the characteristics of Kitty Fane as the main character in The Painted Veil novel. The Researcher used theory psychoanalysis and new criticism to answer research questions. The researcher divided the analysis into two parts. First, the researcher revealed the characteristics of Kitty Fane, the two will discuss about Kitty's psychological dealing with two choices between together with her husband or another man.

3.1 Kitty Fane Characterization

This section discusses the character and characterization of Kitty Fane. Kitty is the main character in The Painted Veil by William Somerset Maugham. She becomes the main character because he always appears in every part of the story. It is accordance with Nurgiyantoro’s statement (176), he states that the main character is an important character in a story that appears continually. Since Kitty described as the main character, automatically she also regarded as a protagonist. Moreover, Kitty’s characterization belongs to flat character because of his personality never changes. It is accordance with Abrams’ statement (31), he said that the flat character is usually played by protagonist.

In approaching the characterization, the researcher uses direct and indirect characterization. From direct characterization, the researcher is able to understand the Kitty’s characterization through the written explanations in the novel. Meanwhile in
indirect characterization, the researcher is able to understand the Kitty’s characterization by drawing conclusions from the things he does, think and say. Here is the Kitty’s characterization:

3.1.1 Caring

The word care has diverse meanings. Many literatures categorize them based on caring people, caring people and so on. Therefore, concerns concerning tasks, roles, and relationships. The word caring also deals with personal, emotional and needs (Gatyo 2012). According to Philips, defining care as achievement of something outside of itself. Caring is also often associated with warmth, positive, meaningfulness, and relationships.

In the novel The Painted Veil tells Kitty's sense of concern for her husband. When Walter told Kitty that Walter would be assigned to deal with an outbreak of cholera in Mei Tan Fu China, and Walter also made sure that the cholera outbreak was so dangerous that Walter had to go there. Kitty was shocked to hear her husband say, until finally she advised Walter not to go to Mei Tan Fu China. Although Kitty does not love her husband but she still cares about her husband and Kitty tries to change Walter's opinion not to go, even Kitty expresses caring feelings to her husband to tears.

"What are you crying for?" His voice was cold.
"You're not obliged to go, are you?"
"No, I go of my own free will."
"Please don't, Walter. It would be too awful if something happened. Supposing you died?" (Maugham 77)

Walter convinces Kitty to take her to Mei Tan Fu china. Walter is not a doctor, Kitty worries about Walter's condition if he does go there. Kitty thinks that Walter's condition will be very bad if it's there, because there's an epidemic of cholera that can make people die. Even when Kitty cried when she heard Walter desperate to go to a dangerous place, and Kitty begged Walter not to go because he was very worried about Walter's condition if he was there.

When she follows her husband to China, Kitty meets Waddington. The man taught Kitty many things about kindness, Waddington invites Kitty to visit the orphanage. Kitty meets the nun's chief here, Kitty tells her that she is willing to help with the work on the premises, because she feels needed on the spot. Kitty's concern is very visible when she takes care of some work there especially when she takes care of some babies who live without parents. Cholera disease that attack, make Kitty very concerned with the condition of the children there.

"The lady's husband will be pleased with them," said Sister St Joseph. "I think he could play by the hour with the babies. When they cry he has only to take them up, and he makes them comfortable in the crook of his arm, so that they laugh with delight." (Maugham 156)

"I have wondered if the nuns would allow me to go and work at the convent. They are very shorthanded and if I could be of any help I should be grateful to them." (Maugham 166)
From the quotation above explains Kitty's desire to help the nuns. Kitty is very happy with the situation there, she felt sad when she saw some babies born without parents, so Kitty feels concerned about the situation there. Kitty's sense of caring can also be seen from the words of Sister Joseph. She says that Kitty is very happy when she takes care of the baby there. He also said Walter would be happy with what Kitty was doing there. Sister St. Joseph also saw Kitty's strong sense of concern for being a mother. Kitty also told Walter about the activities she was doing there, and Kitty was hoping to always help the nuns there.

3.1.2 Optimistic

Optimism is one of the components of positive psychology associated with positive emotions and positive behaviors that lead to health, stress-free life, social relationships and good social functioning (Daraiei 2012)

Besides care, Kitty also has an optimistic nature. The trait emerged when Kitty was in Mei Tan Fu China. Kitty was initially like a woman who had just stayed home and had not done any activities inside the house, but Kitty was bored because she did not feel like a dummy just staying home. Kitty had met Walter's friends. Waddington, she told Kitty about a chapel that was home to children and babies in Mei Tan Fu China. Waddington also offered Kitty to visit the place, until finally Kitty was invited by Waddington to visit the Chapel. There Kitty meets with some nuns, they talk about Walter's work and her daily activities, then invited by St. Joseph's to see some children and babies there. Kitty felt sad when she saw the situation there. Later Kitty sought permission from St. Joseph's to help work there, although at first
the nuns did not believe in Kitty, but she tried to convince St. Joseph's sisters to help there.

"That encourages me, ma mere", said Kitty. "I have been feeling that I had come at a very unfortunate moment. You said the other day that there was more work than the Sisters could do, and I was wondering if you would allow me to come and help them. I do not mind what I do if I can only be useful. I should be thankful if you just set me to scrub the floors." (Maugham 174)

From the quotation above explains that Kitty's arrival at that time was not quite right, but Kitty came to make sure she was accepted to help the work there, Kitty also convinced St. Joseph to accept it and Kitty was so optimistic that even she was willing to clean the floor. Kitty think that she saw a small number of nuns, and with a nun who died at yesterday. So Kitty confidently told her to be allowed to help.

St Joseph was not convinced that Kitty could do the work at the orphanage, nor did Joseph want to make Kitty feel overwhelmed by doing the work at the orphanage. Kitty is a beautiful woman and looks like a weak woman, so St. Joseph says that Kitty is better at home. But the caring nature that Kitty possesses is very strong, Kitty is trying to convince St. Joseph to allow her to help in an orphanage. Because Kitty feels she is more useful if she was there, and Kitty also feels sad to see the situation there, with the lack of nuns and the number of children and babies who are getting less attention

"I feel that there is so much to be done that I cannot bear to think that I am idle. I don't want to make a nuisance of myself, and I know that I have no claim either on your kindness or on your time, but I mean what I say and it
would be a charity that you were doing me if you would let me be of some help to you." (Maugham 175)

"You make me feel very useless and very helpless. It seems incredible that there should be nothing that I can do." (Maugham 176)

It explains the optimism of Kitty which she convinced St. Joseph with her earlier words. Kitty also states that she does not want to make others see her weak. So she wants to show St. Joseph about her desire to help in that place. Kitty sensed that she was needed in that place, because there were very few nuns. Kitty also rejected St. Joseph's suggestion that Kitty is a weak Woman. Kitty is optimistic, she is very confident with her help, she will do anything. Kitty also says it's impossible that nothing she can do, Kitty is young, strong, and passionate. So she feels optimistic and self-confident.

After talking to St. Joseph, Kitty kept trying to get him allowed to help there. Kitty also says that she is willing to help because the situation there is very sad. Until finally Kitty pleaded and promised St. Joseph to give her a chance to help and Kitty would show that she could be useful if allowed to help there.

"It is very good of you. I think I can find something for you to do. It is true that now Sister St Francis has been taken from us, it is impossible for us to cope with the work. When will you be ready to start?"

"Now."

"A la bonne heure. I am content to hear you say that."

"I promise you I will do my best. I am very grateful to you for the opportunity that you are giving me." (Maugham 177)
When a person makes a promise, it is certain that the person has a sense of optimism with the actions he will perform according to his promise. After Kitty was allowed to help there, Kitty was optimistic and promised to take advantage of the opportunities provided by St. Joseph with all her might. So he does not look like a weak woman, and he also wants to show that he is capable of doing any work.

When Kitty takes care of several children there, Kitty does her job well and is like taking care of her own child. But there was one girl who was strange to Kitty, at first she was disgusted that the girl had a strange physique and the girl always followed Kitty wherever. After asking St. Joseph about the girl, Kitty was sad to see the girl, but the next day the boy stepped away from Kitty.

“But suddenly the child, with an idiot perversity, left her; it seemed to lose interest in her, and that day and the following days paid her no attention. Kitty did not know what she had done and tried to lure it to her with smiles and gestures, but it turned away and pretended not to see her.” (Maugham 180)

In the quotation above explains Kitty's efforts to get a strange girl. After the boy had turned away from Kitty, Kitty felt there was something wrong with her. So Kitty is optimistic to approach the kid by watching her, smiling, and playing with her. It was done Kitty to change the girl's attitude.

3.1.3 Brave

Brave is an act that shows courage without any fear, courage is divided into two parts. The first is courage because of honesty or defending the truth, this is usually done by one of the characters who become heroes in a story. The second is
courage because of curiosity or challenge, this is usually done by a character who acts according to his wish without thinking of the impact that will occur.

(www.dictionary.com)

As the main character in The Painted Veil novel, Kitty Fane has bold characteristics. Kitty who married for wanting to have a better life has made a mistake. She had an affair with Charlie in her own home when her husband went to work.

She knew that he was in love with her before he told her, and a little frightened she kept him at a distance. He was impetuous and it was difficult. She was afraid to let him kiss her, for the thought of his arms about her made her heart beat so fast. She had never been in love before. (Maugham 50)

It shows that Kitty continues her relationship with Charlie. Even though Kitty is married, she still meets Charlie secretly. When Kitty meets Charlie, she feels that Charlie is in love with her. It shows when Charlie tries to kiss and hugs Kitty. Kitty initially wanted to refuse it, but after Charlie managed to kiss and hug her, Kitty felt great comfort. Kitty's courage begins when she meets Charlie and she has a happy encounter. Kitty's daring attitude is very challenging with the ethics of marriage.

From the quotation above also explains that Kitty does not think of her husband's feelings, so he just obeys his brave wishes

From Kitty's meeting continues until sex, even Kitty and Charlie do that in Kitty's room when her husband goes to work
Notwithstanding the darkness of the shuttered room he saw her face on a sudden distraught\* with terror.

"Someone just tried the door." (Maugham 5)

From the quotation above explains that Kitty is a brave woman. She is a married woman; she has sex with other people in her room. One of the reasons Kitty did that was because she felt uncomfortable with her husband's qualities, even though her husband was a very loyal man. Another cause is, Kitty has been seduced by Charlie, the man who makes Kitty feel more comfortable. So Kitty dare to have an affair with Charlie.

3.1.4 Kind Person

In The Painted Veil Kitty's story is described as a good person. Kitty did a lot of good things when she was in Mei Tan Fu China. When Kitty was in Chapel, she did a lot of good things. She helped the nuns work there by taking care of the children and babies there.

ALL the next day Kitty thought of the convent; and the morning after, early, soon after Walter had gone, taking the amah with her to get chairs, she crossed the river. It was barely day and the Chinese crowding the ferry boat, some in the blue cotton of the peasant, others in the black robes of respectability, had a strange look of the dead being borne over the water to the land of shadow. And when they stepped ashore they stood for a little at the landing-place uncertainly as though they did not quite know where to go, before desultorily, in twos and threes, they wandered up the hill.(Maugham 171)

KITTY found the work a refreshment to her spirit. She went to the convent every morning soon after sunrise and did not return to the bungalow till the westering sun flooded the narrow river and its crowded junks with gold (Maugham 178)
In the quotation above describes the activities of Kitty. He departed early in the morning to go to the chapel, which Kitty did after she visited the chapel yesterday. Kitty, who had volunteered to help work there, was given permission by St. Joseph, so she was eager to leave early as the workers in Mei Tan Fu China. It is a very noble act. Kitty's character is portrayed as a good person when she helps a job in Mei Tan Fu China, as she did from the above quote. Previously, Kitty saw the condition of children and babies there. She felt like being a useful person, so she decided to help out in the chapel.

"My dear child, do you not think that you have done enough in coming with your husband here? That is more than many wives would have had the courage to do, and for the rest how can you be better occupied than in giving him peace and comfort when he comes home to you after the day's work? Believe me, he needs then all your love and all your consideration." (Maugham 174)

Kitty's goodness is also felt by others, St. Joseph. From the quotation above of St. Joseph says that the arrival of Kitty with Walter to Mei Tan Fu China has helped many people especially in terms of goodness. St. Joseph was greatly helped by Walter's arrival there. With Kitty coming to the chapel, St. Joseph also felt very helpful because there was a dead nun there. When Kitty was allowed to help work there, the nuns saw that Kitty was enjoying her job at the chapel. The kindness that others see is Kitty's high and optimistic concern makes the children's lives better than ever.
3.2 Kitty’s Decision Retained Her Marriage

The second part of this discussion is about Kitty Fane's decision when given her choice by her husband. Researchers try to analyze based on the theory of psychoanalysis. In this case, Kitty's actions against her choice were influenced by three personality agents, namely ID, Ego, and Superego. This section will be divided into three parts. The first is about Kitty ID. The second is about Kitty's Ego. The third is about Kitty Superego.

It aims to know the wishes and choices of Kitty for the choices given by her husband. The choice her husband gave her when she had an affair with Charlie. Kitty who accepts the choice tries to ask Charlie, because she believes Charlie loves her.

ID is personality facet is the oldest, the first personality system that exists from birth (perhaps even before birth) and genetically-derived and directly related to boost-human biological impulses. According to Bertens, inner layer id is owned by human long before humans are aware of its presence (33).

After marriage, Kitty Fane is not happy. So he sought his comfort again. When Kitty attends a party event in China, she meets Charlie. Initially, they just get acquainted like normal friends. Then they often meet and talk about their personalities. And when Charlie says something nice about her, Kitty drifts off in Charlie's words of seduction. Kitty who feels uncomfortable with her family condition and feels that Charlie is the man who can make her comfortable. Then Kitty
Fane was having an affair with Charlie Townsend because Kitty Charlie thought it was a man who could make her feel good. Like the following quote.

He did not answer, but he smiled at her with roguish eyes. She knew and loved that charming look of his.

"Well, what is it? I know you're going to say something awful."

"Well, you know, women are often under the impression that men are much more madly in love with them than they really are."

For the first time she laughed. His confidence was catching. (Maugham 70)

From the quotation above explains that when a woman feels anxious about her problem, they need a person who can calm her mind and make them feel comfortable. After Kitty fane is worried about her act of infidelity with Charlie, she feels uneasy and restless. But from the quotation above explains that Kitty Fane falls in love with someone who can make her feel comfortable. When he's worried Charlie convinces Kitty to throw that far away and Kitty's comfort is portrayed when for the first time she can laugh and feel confident.

It was also explained when Kitty Fane was having an affair in the room. But there are mysterious people who want to enter the room. Instantly Kitty worries and feels that it's Walter Fane, but Charlie tries to calm Kitty's feelings. Kitty was very nervous at the time; she was uncomfortable with the shadow of the mysterious person. Charlie said not to worry. With Charlie Kitty's seduction feeling calm so Kitty Fane feels comfortable. Like the following quote
She gave him the shadow of a smile. His rich, caressing voice reassured her and she took his hand and affectionately pressed it. He gave her a moment to collect herself. (Maugham 7)

"Don't worry your pretty little head about our mysterious visitor. I'm quite sure it was the amah. And if there's any trouble I guarantee to get you out of it." (Maugham 11)

From the quotation above it is explained that the words spoken by Charlie have given tranquility so that Kitty feels comfortable and does not feel anxious anymore. When Charlie said "Do not worry your pretty little head about our mysterious visitor" that means Charlie has made Kitty feel calm. When someone experiences anxiety and there are people who can calm his anxiety, then the person will feel comfortable. Another factor that supports Kitty's comfort is her love for Charlie. Like the above quote, Kitty's nervousness has been lost when the person she loves says that there is no need to worry.

It is very common that a woman can gain comfort with more attention, in the above discussion it has been explained that Kitty married only to seek the comfort of her parents, until she finally had an affair with Charlie. Walter actually knew that Kitty had not been comfortable with her. Kitty insinuated Walter's attitude all along that made her feel uncomfortable with her. Like the following quote:

"If a man hasn't what's necessary to make a woman love him, it's his fault, not hers."

"Evidently." (Maugham 84)
From the quotation above explains that women will feel comfortable when all his needs are met. Kitty felt Walter's stiffness and more concerned with her work so Kitty did not feel like a wife. A woman will be very happy if she feels to have everything including things that can make her feel comfortable. So Kitty satirical Walter with these words. Unknowingly, Kitty had expressed Walter's discomfort even though they were married. And that's what caused Kitty to have an affair with Charlie.

Ego is a facet of the personality that should be subject to Id and need to find the reality of what it takes the Id as satisfaction needs and relief tension. According to Bertens, ego is fully controlled by objective reality thought of demanding social needs (33)

When Kitty feels uncomfortable with her husband and she prefers to have an affair with Charlie because she feels Charlie has what she wants, even though she realizes it's wrong and cannot be justified by anyone because they're both married. Like the following quote.

"Are you angry with me?" he asked her.
"I adore you," she whispered.
"Don't you think you were very silly to waste so much time?"
"A perfect fool."(Maugham 51)

Regret is a very bad thing for humans, especially the wrong spouse choosing when married. From the quotation above that Kitty feels sorry for her choice of
marring Walter, Kitty also feels that Walter is not the person who can make her feel comfortable until she finally finds a man like Charlie, who can make her happy and comfortable. This is also evident in the following quotation.

HER happiness, sometimes almost more than she could bear, renewed her beauty. Just before she married, beginning to lose her first freshness, she had looked tired and drawn. (Maugham 52)

From the quotation above illustrates that Kitty's situation after marriage changed drastically. The young Kitty has a beautiful face and the freshness of her face is clearly visible. But the happiness was lost because he was not happy with the situation he was living with her husband, until finally he had an affair with Charlie, a figure that can make him back beautiful as a rising rose. In a domestic situation, there needs to be a harmonious relationship between couples, because the happiness can be obtained with harmony. Comfort is the most important part in feeling happy and harmony, so as to make women look beautiful as felt Kitty when she was happy to feel comfortable with Charlie.

But Kitty's decision does not last long, her husband who knows Kitty cheats prefer to keep it. Walter gave Kitty the option to ask her to come with him to Mei Tan Fu or divorce her. Then Kitty meets Charlie to tell him that Walter has known the problem about his affair. Kitty initially believes that Charlie will defend her and divorce her, but Charlie gives Kitty a painful answer, Charlie does not want this problem involving Doris, so Charlie's decision makes Kitty choose Walter's offer that caused Kitty and Walter to go to Mei Tan Fu. Like the following quote.
"I don't think that my husband ever thought of bringing an action."

"Then why in God's name have you been frightening me out of my wits?" he asked.

She looked at him coolly.

"He knew that you'd let me down." (Maugham 102)

Walter who knew Kitty had an affair, then invited him to come to Mei Tan Fu. When Kitty refuses to come along and is convinced of his choice that Charlie loves, but Kitty's decision is wrong, when she comes up and asks Charlie, she is disappointed that Charlie is more defensive with his wife. Kitty finally knew the reason why Walter let her see Charlie and with Charlie's reply made Kitty have to go with Walter. If the sense of comfort given by a man turns into disappointment, then we must accept and undergo other options. The quotation above explains that the happiness and comfort that Kitty chooses is wrong, even she does not realize Walter knows it, but with the reason of love, Walter further defends Kitty to follow her in Mei Tan Fu, even though Walter gives Kitty the opportunity to meet Charlie even though Walter knew the outcome.

The Superego is a third personality in a person containing the word heart (conscience). The word heart is related to social and environmental values that have rules and norms in a society so it is a control or sensors against a boost that comes from the id. Super ego wants only certain boost from id awareness, while the impulse which does not comply with moral values in order to stay not to meet (Dirgagunarsa, 64).
When Kitty had an affair with Charlie, there was a mysterious figure who wanted to knock on the door that made Kitty feel uncomfortable. Kitty's feelings were mixed together, the discomfort and the fear if it was Walter. Kitty thinks of how her husband responds if he really knows that his wife is having an affair. Then Kitty contacted the laboratory where Walter worked to make sure Walter was at work and to make sure that the one who came when he was having an affair was not Walter.

"Ring up the laboratory and ask if Walter is there," she said then.
"They won't know your voice."

He took up the receiver and asked for the number. He inquired whether Dr. Fane was in. He put down the receiver. (Maugham 9)

While in the room and startled by the voice of a person who mysterious. Kitty wanted to make sure it was not Walter, to pitch her to work. Kitty's consciousness came when she felt that it was Walter, of course she was very embarrassed if it was Walter. It is very inappropriate for a wife to have an affair when the husband is at work. Kitty feels scared if it's Walter, because the moral seen is, she's a cheap woman and not a good woman. According to society, good women are women who are able to maintain relationships with their partners, and women who remain faithful. When Walter said that he knew Kitty was having an affair, Walter gave her two choices to choose from. Walter filed a divorce suit to Kitty and at that time kitty felt very ashamed. Like the following quote.

"Townsend will marry you only if he is co-respondent* and the case is so shameless that his wife is forced to divorce him."
"You don't know what you're talking about," she cried.
"You stupid fool." (Maugham 81)

It is embarrassing that a woman is sued for divorce because of a case of infidelity, it is not appropriate for a woman. From the quotation above Kitty feels that she will be very embarrassed if divorced due to a case of infidelity, and Kitty also thinks of the feeling of his wife Townsend. Kitty is famous for beautiful women and good comes from families who have a high social affair with her sister's husband. That is a very bad deed if the public knows, so Kitty is afraid to and does not want her sister to know.

After receiving Walter's offer, Kitty meets Charlie to inquire that she will be divorced on condition Charlie must divorce his wife as well or Kitty goes with Walter to Mei Tan Fu China.

"You know, darling," he said, "whatever happens we must keep Dorothy out of this."

She looked at him blankly (Maugham 93)

The answer from Charlie has made him feel ashamed, when women realize he has been deceived by men especially in affairs, surely they feel so disappointed. Charlie did not want to involve his wife, and Kitty also knew it would be embarrassing to see people. Really, he wanted to have a relationship with Charlie, but the decision Charlie said made her disappointed. So he was forced to go with Walter to Mei Tan Fu China.