"Noireau?" I asked in a tone of inter-

"Carry me to the house of Monsieur

The words, simple as they were, seem-

But whilst they still clustered round

"Mees, I am Madame Perrier, and this

is my husband," she said; "come on. The

Come on; come on.'

Minima and me, giving no sign of com-

pliance with my request, two persons

CHAPTER XXV. alighted, and watched our luggage put will send the child to you in a cab down from the root. Minima was lean-

on Wednesday," the woman said, as I ing against me, half asleep. A narrow rose and made my way towards the hall; vista of tall houses lay to the right and "you have not told me your address." left, lost in impenetrable darkness. The I paused for a moment. Dared I tell strip of sky overhead was black with her my address? Yet my money was midnight, paid, and if I did not, I should lose both "Noirea it and the refuge I had bought with it.

Besides I should awaken suspicion and "Yes, madame," responded a chorus of Besides I should awaken suspicion and inquiry by silence. It was a fearful risk voices. to run; yet it seemed safer than a pre-cipitous retreat. I gave her my address, Emile Perrier, the avocat." I said, speakand saw her write it down on a slip of ing slowly and distinctly.

In the afternoon the little girl arrived ed to awaken considerable excitement In the afternoon the little girl arrived quite alone, except that a man had been hired to carry a small box for her, and to deliver her into my charge. This was a great relief to me, and I gladly paid the shilling he demanded. The child was I said it over again to myself, and felt was right. With renewed confithinly and shabbily dressed for our long journey, and there was a forlorn loneli-journey, and there was a forlorn loneli-ness about her position, left thus with a stranger, which touched me to the heart.

"I wish to go to the house of Monsieur

We were alike poor, helpless, friendless.

"I'm so glad?" she said with a deep.

But whilst they still clustered to drawn sigh of relief; "I was afraid I should never go, and school is such a heavenly place?"-The words amused yet troubled me;

they were so different from a child's or- great coat, with a large woolen comfort-"It's such a hateful place at Mrs. Wil-

kinson's," she went on, "everybody call-ing me at once, and scolding me; and Eaglish. there are such a many people to run errands for."

What is your name, my dear?" I asked, sitting down on my box and taking is ready.
her on my lap. Such a thin, stunted little woman, precociously learned in trouble! Yet she nestled in my arms like ing both of us. A dead silence had fall- Minima's fingers tightened upon mine. a true child, and a tear or two rolled down her cheeks, as if from very con-

tentment. "Nobody has nursed me like this since mother died," she said. "I'm Mary; but father always called me Minima, because I was the least in the house. He kept a boys' school out of London, in Epping Forest, you know; and it was so heaven ly! All the boys were good to me, and used to call father Dominie. Then be died, and mother died just before him; and he said, 'Courage, Minima! God will take care of my little girl.' So the boys' fathers and mothers made a subscription for me, and they got a great deal of money, a hundred pounds; and somebody told them about this school, where I can stay four years for a hundred pounds, and they all said that was the best thing they could do with me, But I've had to stay with Mrs. Wilkinson nearly two months, because she ald not find a governess to go with me. I hate her; I detest her; I should like to

'Hush! hush!" I said, drawing her head down upon my shoulder again.
"Then there is Mr. Foster," she con

tinued, "he torments me so. He likes to make fun of me, and tease me, till I can't bear to go into his room. You'd hate Mr. Foster, and Mrs. Foster, if you 'Why?" I asked in a whisper. My

voice sounded husky to me, and my throat felt parched. The child's impotent rage

of tormenting anything, because he's ing us both, a titter for the first time ran of the pupils. It consisted of a teacupful eruel. But they are very poor—poor as Job, Mrs. Wilkinson says, and I'm glad.

Aren't you glad?"

The area of the pupils. It consisted of a teacupful points; the marquis' four silver balls which was placed before each of us, a putting our luggage on a wheelbarrow large tables are tables to the pupils. It consisted of a teacupful points; the marquis' four silver balls which was placed before each of us, a putting our luggage on a wheelbarrow large tables.

The question jurred in my memory against a passionate craving after revenge, which had died away in the quiet and tranquility of Sark. Ought I to do anything for him? Was there anything I "He is ill, too," pursued the child; "I

heard him say once to Mrs. Foster, he knew he should die like a dog."

Ill! dead! My heart beat faster and faster as I pondered over these words. Then I should be free indeed; his death would release me from bondage, from terror, from poverty-those three evils which dogged my steps. I had never ventured let my thoughts run that way, but this child's prattling had now forced them into it. Richard Foster ill-dying! what ought I to do?

do, only one little sacrifice I could make were to enter by the back door, that found it such a horrid place!" for him whom I had vowed, in childish was evident. She led us into a dimly ignorance, to love, honor and cherish in lighted room, where I could just make sickness and in health, until death parted out what appeared to be a carpenter's us. A home was secured to me for twelve bench, with a heap of wood shavings lymonths. I had enough money still to ing under it. last me until then. My diamond ring, "It is a leetle cabinet work of my hus which had been his own gift to me on our wedding day, would be valuable to him. Sixty pounds would be a help to I set the child gently away from me, and wrote my last letter to my husband. Both the letter and the ring I en-

A great thump against the door brought ing busily in the quiet night. But we a host of fears upon me. But before I passed the front of the house behind it passed the front of the house behind it and no one more formidable appeared than the landlady of the house, carrying before her a tray on which was set out a sumptuous tea, consisting of butterel crumpets and shrimps. She put it down on my dressing table and stood survey- walls a sinister gleam. Minima pressed walls a sinister gleam. ing it and us with an expression of benign exultation.

"Those as are going into foring parts," she said, "ought to get a good English meal afore they start. And this, my master says, is a testimonial to you.'

I could hardly control my laughter, and I could not keep back the tears. It was a long time now since any one had shown me so much kindness and sympathy as this. The dull face of the good woman was brightened by her kind-hearted feeling, and instead of thanking her I put my lips to her cheek.

The next morning found us in France. From Honfleur to Falaise warm, genial sunshine filled the air. The slowly moving train carried us through woods where the autumn seemed but a few days old. We passed through miles upon miles of orebards, beneath which lay huge pyra-Truck-loads of them stood at every station. The air was real for me to doubt their existence for scented by them. Children were pelting an instant. ne another with them. It was almost

off on the last stage of our journey. rumbling down some steep and narrow to this unwelcome sight.

streets, lighted by oil lamps swung across "Eat, mees," said the woman, bringing as well. If they would stay in this

have reached our home at last."

"We are here at Noiveau!" I said. "We | We had the same vaulted passage and The door was opened before the child to the other house. There we were ushwas fairly awake. A small cluster of ered into a room containing only two bods age, the payment of which is impers-bystanders gathered round us as we and our two boxes. I helped Minima to

****************** down my head to whisper cautiously into "They're cheats," she said earnestly, ROBES TO BE WORN AT THE

"dreadful cheats. This isn't a spiendid place at all. Oh! whatever shall I do? Shall I have to stay here four years?" "Hush, Minima!" I auswered. "Perhaps it is better than we think now. We are tired. To-morrow we shall see the place better, and it may be splendid after all. Kiss me, and go to sleep."

I was awakened, while it was yet quite dark, by the sound of a carpenter's tool in the room below me. Almost immediately a loud knock came at my lloor, and the harsh voice of madame called to us. "Get up, mees, get up, and come on, she said, "to the school. Come on, quick!"

still that we could scarcely discern the outline of the walls and houses. The among the fair sex. They are not to school, madame informed me, was registered in the name of her head governess, not in her own; and as the laws of France prohibited any man dwelling under the same roof with a school of girls, except the husband of the proprietor, they ere compelled to rent two dwellings. "How many pupils have you, mad-

I inquired. "We have six, mees," she replied,

They are bere; see them." We had reached the house, and she pened the door of a long, low room. There was an open hearth, with a few with forms on each side. A high chair or two stood about. All was comfortless, dreary and squalid.

But the girls who were sitting on the hard benches by the table were still more thrust themselves through the circle. The squalld and dreary looking. This faces one was a man, in a threadbare brown were pinched, and just now the with were pinched, and just now the with the royal cortege, cold, and their hands were swoden and Another cause for er wound several times about his neck; red with chilbiains. They had a cowed and frightened expression, and proped askance at us as we went in behind and the other a woman, in an equally madame.

"Three are English," said madame, "and three are French." She rapped one of the swollen hands letter was here only an hour ago; but all



"MADAME UNLOCKED THE DOOR."

and preparing to follow us with it along and a heaped plateful of hunches of leaves.

astonishment. We were in France, in a ing and sorrowful heart. not do. We stopped at last opposite the face in my bosom. large, handsome house, which stood in

in London. "It is midnight nearly," said Madame die if you go away and leave me. Perrier, as we came to a standstill and waited for her husband, the avocat. house, walking softly, as if careful not ed all the wrinkles out of it. to disturb the household. At last whe There was one thing only that I could the latter conducted us towards him. We

> band," said Madame Perrier; "our chamber is above, and the chamber for you and leetle mees is there also. But the

school is not there. Come on, mees." We went down the broad gravel walk, with the pretty garden at the side of us, where a fountain was tiukling and splashwithout stopping at the door. Madame led us through a cart shed into a low, long, vaulted passage, with doors opening on each side; a black, villainous looking place, with the feeble, flickering light very close to me, and I felt a strange quiver of apprehension; but the thought that there was no escape from it, and no help at hand, nerved me to follow

quietly to the end. The end brought us out into a mean, poor street, narrow even where the best streets were narrow. A small house stood before us; and madame unlocked kitchen. There was an oil lamp here, can give a reason for it. Madame's face was illuminated by it. There was not a trace of refinement or culture about her, not even the proverbbefore which we sat was rusty. Could I be dreaming of this filthy dwelling and this slovenly woman? No; it was all too

She was pouring out some cold tea into hke going into a new world, and I breath- two little cups, when Monsieur Perrier care of themselves either. I don't know ed more freely the farther we traveled made his appearance, his face begrimed why it should be so, unless it's because down into the interior. At Falaise we and his shaggy hair uncombed. He stood the continual inhaling of an atmosexchanged the train for a small omnibus, in the doorway, subbing his hands, and which bore the name "Noireau" conspicnously on its door. At length we started stare of a Norman peasant, whilst he of consumptives going to Colorado and spoke in rapid, uncouth tones to his wife. Finally our omnibus was jolting and I turned away my head, and shut my eyes

streets, lighted by oil lamps awang across them. Only at the lun where we stopped was there anything like life. I woke our pupils and instructresses tea for suppur Minima from her deep and heavy per at six o'clock; after that there is no would on the top of Pike's Peak." more to egt."

four years, and it will kill me. I shall worn from the shoulders as though ima," I whispered to the child, through Alexandra wore them at the opening He passed through the garden gate and the hum of lessons. Her shrewd little disappeared round the corner of the face brightened with a smile that smooth-

a word was spoken by him or his wife as has sent you to take care of me. Sup-

(To be continued.) THEIR LUNGS KEEP SOUND.

Butchers Are Immune from Consumption in Any Form.

"Butchers never die of consumption." wielding the cleaver at the block said small embroidered crosses, this as he threw a beeksteak on the Beneath it is worn the "supertunica," scale.

tion than a fact, but so far as diligent flowers. Above both dalmatica and sutrue, although not generally known out- is also of gold cloth, but has a deep

side of the meat chopping craft. Butchers are no longer lived than men in other walks of life. They are subjected to all the other ills that human flesh is heir to, but consumption they do not have. So far as a reporter was able to learn, not a single case is on record of a butcher in this city being afthe lungs which claims its hundreds of

thousands of vicitims annually, ers and has been often the subject of and is to be made a show place. It well cent fads based on a revival of lost of a number of military experts and the door. We were conducted into a small their comment, although none of them deserves its name, for the log cabin

"No," said a man who has swung al taste of a Frenchwoman in dress. The ket for the last twenty years, "I have prevent the building from being raised kitchen was a picture of squalid dirt and had rheumatism and typhoid fever and from its foundations and hurled sky- them to broaden their education a litneglect. The few cooking utensils were lots of other things, but nothing has ward by the immense force of the wind scattered about in disorder. The stove ever been out of genr with my lungs and the same is true of every other butcher in this town. I know nearly them having consumption. They don't drink blood or take any especially good phere of fresh meat is strengthening.

"I have often thought when hearing Egypt that I know of a climate nearer home that would do the business just New York Mail and Express.

The follies of youth are drafts on old

undress, and tucked her up in bed. She EDWARD'S CROWNING put her arm round my neck, and drew

COMING CORONATION.

Rules Concerning Display at England's Great Ceremonial Do Not Please-Ludies Resent Queen's Request That No Imported Costumes Be Worn.

London aristocrats are feeling gloomy over the duke of Norfolk's supplement to the London Gazette, it which as earl marshal of England he gives detailed regulations concerning The air was raw and foggy when we robes and coronets to be worn by peers turned out of doors, and it was so dark and peeresses at the approaching corobe allowed all the furbelows and tinsel which, to feminine minds, form the "sine qua non" of such important cere-

monials. To begin with, Queen Alexandra's request that all coronation gowns should be made of English goods and by English conturiers has had anything but an enthuslastic reception. Heretofore the white satin dresses and ruby velvet robes have come from France and Dame Fashion stubbornly refuses to be ran almost the whole length of the room. just leaked out that the wives of three passed in their orders to a Rue de la Palx firm, and it is more than probable that many other gowns signed by

Another cause for pouting lips is the regulation that peeresses must wear dress, instead of over the white satin She put her hand through my arm, and dropped it out of sight upon her lap, the robe. As in George IV.'s time it took hold of Minima's hand, as if claim- with a frightened glance at the woman. will be of ruby velvet, the cape furred door opened. with miniver pure and bordered with rows of ermine, the number of the lat- The guides have explored 2,600 rooms, ter varying according to rank. The duchesses may show four rows, the miles, but they say that the extent of marchionesses three and a half, countesses three, viscountesses two and a half, while the baronesses will have to be content with two.

An innovation, this time in gentle men's attire, which will detract not a little from the gorgeousness and pomp of the spectacle, is the fact that peers are ordered to wear their robes over full court dress, uniforms or regithey were worn over white satin doublets and trunks and white silk hose. But what has caused the greatest discontent is the restrictions regarding coronets. The clause stating that "no jewels or precious stones are to be set or used in the coronets, or counterfeit pearls instead of the silver balls" came like a thunderclap to many, especially to the dames who had already had their blazing diamond circlets prepared.

It is now definitely settled that only the king and queen and the duke and duchess of Cornwall will wear jeweled coronets. All other coronets are to be of silver gilt, caps of ruby velvet, with ermine lining and having a gold tassel on top. The baron's coronet will have en upon the little crowd, as if they were. The head governess, a Frenchwoman of six silver balls on the rim, the vis "Oh! they are horrid in every way," trying to catch the meaning of the Eag-about thirty, was now introduced to me. count's sixteen, the earl's eight, with she said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in which a little for the first like and the said; "they frighten me. He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me. He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is found in the said; "they frighten me." He is Breakfast was being brought in by one gold strawberry leaves between the putting our luggage on a wheelbarrow. large tablespoon to feed ourselves with, the duke's eight gold strawberry

bread. I sat down with the rest at the If peeresses cannot wear jewels on I was too bewildered yet to feel any, long table, and ate my food, with a sink- their heads they evidently plan to do so on their bodies, and all London jewelremote part of France, and I did not know what Frenchmen would or would gung her arms around me and hid her safting heirlagens. Pearls sampling "Oh!" she cried, "don't you leave me; and emeralds are to be the favorite the front, in the photograph I had seen don't forsake me! I have to stay here stones. Ropes of pearls are to be fastening the velvet ruby robes, some-"We must make the best of it, Min what the same way in which Queen of parliament.

Contrary to expectation no new "That's what father said!" she cried; crown will be made for the queen, "he said, 'Courage, Minima. God will King Edward's crown is to be slightly reappeared round the corner, carring a "he said, 'Courage, Minima. God will King Edward's crown is to be slightly candle, which flickered in the wind. Not take care of my little daughter.' God enlarged, but it will undergo no other modification. His majesty on this pose I'd come all the way alone, and eventful day will appear before his subjects in the same elaborate robes worn by his granduncle, George IV. This costume consists of three parts. The most important is the "dalmatica" or imperial robe. It is a three-cornered mantle forming an inverted "Y" and fitting very closely The big man with his sleeves rolled up about the shoulders. All over it are

a sort of short pelerine having sleeves It sounded more like a trade supersti- of gold cloth embroidered with gold inquiry has been able to discover it is pertunica is worn the "armilla," which ermine border. It is placed on the king's shoulders by the archbishop of Westminster, who exhorts his majesty to see in this mantle "a pledge of divine grace enveloping him completely." -Chicago Dally News.

DAKOTA'S WILD WIND CAVE.

flicted with the incurable wasting of Cavera 3,000 Feet Below Earth's Sur-

face Acquired by Government. Dakota's famous wind cave has late-The fact is well known among butch- ly been acquired by the government, tened to the ground by heavy timbers, sides and rounds in Washington mar- and the logs mortised and pinned to have not the slightest idea what an from within.

The first explorer of the cave disall of them and I never heard of one of ed by heavy timbers the motion of the way that the air was completely block- lodges and secret societies.

little but and heard a roaring sound em- The western coast of Italy furnishes anating from the earth, followed by most of it, as it has done for ages past. such a slamming of door that the build- The cost of hour glasses is regulated ing shook. It was nothing but the open by the ornamentation of the frames. half."

nothing but a cupboard, from which the higher by fancy carving and decora if you don't want to be distressed by two guides provided them with candles tion. Swell lodges sometimes go to seeing them shrink.

NEW TRIBE OF ESKIMOS FOUND.



the native races of the North Pacific and Arctic coasts, the Jessup North Pacific expedition has just made a valuable anthropological report in the shape of a series of striking photographs of Eskimo tribes rarely, possibly never before, visited by whites.

A full set of illustrations and measurements were made of the inhabitants of two small villages. They show many peculiar characteristics possessed by these people which are totally different from those of neighboring tribes.

Three types which have almost been isolated from outside communication are here shown. The inhabitable area of these people is far inland in Arctic Alaska, east of the mouth of the Mackenzie river. They belong to two tribes, called the Koukpagmiut and Nunatagmiut, Their physical characteristics are so differ ent that it almost warrants the supposition that they are the remnants of some lost tribe that originally emigrated from Asia.

in tin candle-sticks attached to strips of this extra expense, but most people are wood. The party then formed in line, satisfied with the cheaper grades."logs of green wood upon it. A table satisfied with the home supply. It has as the inner door could be opened long New York Sun. enough to admit one person at a time prominent diplomats have secretly If it were kept open the wind would tear the building to pieces.

A guide went first. Seizing the bar fastening the door, he turned it slowly French houses will find their way into | to near the end of the clamp that held it; then, giving it a quick wrench, darted through the door as the force within sent it open. As soon as he was inside their robes over the usual full court he seized an iron ring, and, adding his strength to that of the guide, who had toilets claborately trimmed with gold remained without, slammed the door. laces and embrolderies which were "de With one man on the inside and one rigueur" in former days. One thing out, it was much easier for the guides which lay upon the table, and the girl alone remains unchanged, and that is to handle the door, and each member

The cave itself is a wonderful place covering a lineal distance of ninety married. the cave is not yet known.

Forty miles north of the entrance is another and almost equally beautiful thirty show. cavern called Crystal cave. The guides that one is a continuation of the other. life insurance he carries. Some parts of the Wind cave are earth. All kinds of weird and beauti- came a thousand miles to propose to ful effects are gained by burning lights her. mentals. At all previous coronations within one or another of the rooms. full enough of terrors and delights to miringly. satisfy the most exacting cave hunter.

PATRONIZING.

When the Gods Please Him the Chinese Emperor Grants Them Promotion. Like many official papers of Euro pean courts, the Pekin Gazette aniounces all acts of State and ceremonial proceedings of the national government; but in one particular it is unique among court circulars, for its thy he gets from his wife is that he habit is publicly to commend and compliment the State gods when the em- are able to wear out shoes. peror is satisfied that they have done self by an extraordinary service, his the average married rank among the gods is raised by Im-

perial command. God of War was increased in import- Because the boys have shelved her for ance by reason of the great armaments which the government undertook to support, so after he had shown his benevolence by allowing the Imperial troops to defeat a body of rebels, he was metaphorically patted on the back and raised to the same rank as Confucius, who had hitherto held the first in the innocent ways of life, very much place in the State Pantheon.

A few years ago the following announcement appeared in the Gazette: "The governor-general of the Yellow River requests that a tablet be put up to his teacher and friend, Marcus Cor-

to the River God. During the transmission of relief rice to Honan, whenever difficulties were encountered through shallows, wind and rain, the River God interposed in the most unmistakable manner, so that the transport of grain went on without hindrance. "Order! Let the proper office pre-

pare a tablet for the temple of the River God."

"A memorial tablet," says another Gazette, "Is granted to two temples in honor of the God of the Locusts. On the last appearance of locusts, last summer, prayers were offered to this delty with marked success."

HOUR GLASSES IN DEMAND.

Superior to Watches. "Most people think that hour glasses went out of style years ago," said a clerk in a Twenty-third street store,

"along with perukes and knee breeches, of the hour glass augurs its universal kee quick wit and readiness to cope say, but if such a renaissance were to first government test of his gun. become assured it would be no more surprising than some of the other recustoms. Anyway, a brief study of the government officials. built over its mouth has had to be fas- hour glass will do nobody harm, There are thousands in this generation who hour glass looks like, and it won't burt tle along certain lines.

"Of the hour glasses sold at present the three-minute glass is in the lead. covered that when the mouth was clos- This glass is used almost exclusively to measure time in bolling eggs and wind ceased, and a person inside did its usefulness naturally places its sales not feel it except at a few particular a little in advance of the more sentipoints. It was for this reason that the | mental varieties. Next come the five, cabin was built over the entrance, with ten and fifteen-minute and full-bour an inner door fitting closely against glasses, which are bought chiefly by the portals of the cave itself in such a musicians for piano practice and by

"The sand used in an hour glass is A sight-secrer came to the door of the the very finest that the world affords. ing of the laner door to allow of the A glass set in a plain resewood case stances," he replied, "that you ought to exit of a guide, but it had a terrible can be bought for \$1, while a mahog- say that you would give it all to me." any frame comes to \$1.50 or \$2. Of Within the cabin the visitors saw course, the price can be brought up still Keep your friendships out of a storm

ATCHINSON GLOBE SIGHTS. Comments on Every Day Matters By

un Original Genius. The less a man knows, the greater the subjects he tries to discuss. An old man's idea of a good time to get an unbroken night's rest.

When a loafer does go to work he expects everyone to sympathize with A promising young man is one who

pays attention to the advice of older Have you ever noticed how somgirls go visiting and stay, and stay, and

stay? As soon as a man gets in the poot house he begins thinking of getting

So many women indulge in cheap dramatics; in a sort of ten, twenty and When an old man goes to see a young

believe that some day it will be found girl, he begins by telling her how much The Atchison girls are pointing with 3,000 feet below the surface of the pride to one of their number: A man

A woman puts on a thousand little Stalactites cover walls and cellings in things to make herself look pretty, and many of the caverns, and the cave is then gets mad if a man looks at her ad- Leaves Oak Street Dock, Portland When a man has a cold, his old fash

oned friends complain that the day and generation do not pay enough re spects to the onlon. When a woman appears in a new hat

or new cloak, there is a suppressed scream from the other women of, "I don't see how she can afford it!" When a man complains of the bills for the children's shoes, all the sympa

Atchison girls who have studied they full duty toward Chinamen, When palmistry, and who read the lines in some particular god distinguishes him- the woman's hands, say that it pleases

ought to be thankful that the children

that she will be married twice. When a girl gets to be twenty-five Not long ago the department of the she gets up an afternoon club. Why? something younger. All the women who belong to afternoon clubs have

been shelved. Scaring the Shepherds.

There is an irrepressible satisfaction in finding that a great phllosopher is, like other men. Marcus Aurelius Antonius, whose "Meditations" have been the guide of thinkers for centuries, wrote some exceedingly human letters nellus Fronto. One of them contains

the following spice of boyish fun: When my father returned home from the vineyards, I mounted my horse, as usual, and rode on ahead some little way. Well, there on the road was a herd of sheep, standing all crowded together, as if the place was a desert, with four dogs and two shepherds, but nothing else. Then one shepherd said to another shepherd, on seeing a number of horsemen:

"I sny, look you at those horsemen! They do a deal of robbery."

When I heard this, I clap spurs to my horse and ride straight for the sheep. In consternation the sheep scatter. Hither and thither they are fleeting and bleating. A shepherd throws his fork, Many Purposes for Which They Are and the fork falls on the horseman who comes next to me. We make our es-

Costly Experiment.

Sir Hiram Maxim, the Maine man but as a matter of fact we have more whose immense fortune and more recalls for them to-day than we have cently his knighthood came from the had at any time within the last ten invention of the rapid-fire gun which years. That this renewed popularity bears his name, has never lest his Yanacceptance as a timeplece by the com- with a difficult situation. That characing generation I am not prepared to teristic appeared very clearly in the

The rapid-fire weapon, then a novelty, was offered for test in the presence

The inventor was asked to have 10,-000 rounds fired at the greatest possible speed. This was readily done but the experts were still unsatisfied. "Can you guarantee," one of them asked Maxim, "that your gun would go on firing automatically for twenty-four

"Certainly," answered Maxim, quiet ly. J'on one condition." "What is that?"

"That the government shall pay for the ammunition used." This seemed reasonable, but when the experts figured it out that the twentyfour hours' test would take over 800, 000 cartridges, and that the cost would be about \$28,000, they magnanimously withdrew their request.

"If I were left a million," said a girl to her steady to-day, "I would give you "I think, under the circum

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