



TRAVELLING IN THE ALFÖLD BEFORE THE ERA OF RAILWAYS.

apathy. In the hottest period of the year, during the harvest, the Magyar peasantry display a wonderful capacity for work and uncommon industry; but no sooner have they received their wages than they give themselves up to absolute indolence or to dissipation. In social intercourse they display many amiable and estimable qualities, the most remarkable of which is their boundless hospitality. Both in the seats of the



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nobles and in the cottages of the peasantry the traveller is generally received with the most winning cordiality, the effect of which is not impaired by a certain openness and bluntness of manner. Another very peculiar characteristic trait of the genuine Magyar is the simple and childlike ingenuousness dis-