

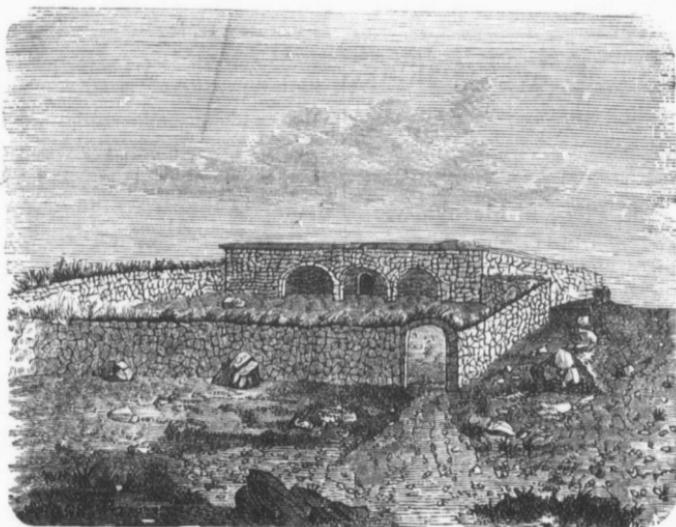
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SHEEP were an important part of the possessions of the ancient Hebrews. It is striking to notice the immense numbers of sheep that were kept in Oriental countries. Chardin says he saw a Turcoman shepherd whose flock consisted of three million sheep and goats, besides four hundred thousand horses and asses and camels. It is doubtful if they ever were so numerous in Palestine, and certainly at the

present day there is no comparison in number. To protect the sheep from the wandering jackal, the sheepfold was surrounded with a stone wall and furnished with protection from the weather, as shown in the cut. The rightful owner of the sheep cometh in by the door of the sheepfold, but the robber, who seeketh only to kill and destroy, cometh by some other way, that is, breaketh over the wall.

THERE are no tricks in simple faith.