

- 160 L'ennemi avait mis le pays à feu et à sang. 160 The enemy had laid the country waste with fire and sword.
- 161 Les paysans dansaient autour d'un feu de joie. 161 The peasants were dancing around a bonfire.
- 162 N'ayant pas d'enfant, il avait placé son argent à fonds perdus. 162 Having no children, he had sunk his money.
- 163 Il a vendu tout son fonds. 163 He has sold all his stock-in-trade.
- 164 C'était un véritable tour de force. 164 It was quite a feat of strength.
- 165 Nous étions alors au fort de l'hiver. 165 We were then in the depth of winter.
- 166 Il avait fait le plus fort de la besogne. 166 He had broken the neck of his work.
- 167 Ils ont fait le voyage à leurs frais—à frais communs. 167 They made the journey at their own expense, — at joint expenses.
- 168 J'aime à avoir mes coudées franches. 168 I like to have elbow-room.
- 169 Il mène de front ces deux affaires. 169 He carries on both affairs at the same time.
- 170 J'espère que vous ne me gardez pas rancune. 170 I hope you bear me no ill-will.
- 171 Voilà huit jours entiers qu'il garde le lit, la chambre. 171 He has been confined to his bed, his room the whole week.
- 172 Faites bonne garde pendant que nous serons absents. 172 Keep a good watch while we are away.