AT LOVE'S COMMAND. 1

beling very gorgeously and imposingly to be made a politron into a hero, for the shall be talking idly when we ought to be driving Yumen Yusel to destruction."

When at length the company drew up, he received their salute coldly, and listened, with a mixture of scorn and haughty impatience, to the fiorid speech which the Envoy hastened to make. The many expressions of personal good-will with which the oration was interiared he acknowledged stiffly; indeed the responses were so the willingly made, one with half an eye could have seen it would be farmore congenial to him to draw his sword and fall furlously on this man of smilling face and fine words than to stand and listen. Koor Ali, perceiving the temper of his chief, and well knowing what it meant, advanced, with the object of making his report, and so cut short the palevering. But he had not uttered a dozen works when Mohammed ben Eldad Hassam (such was the stranger's imposing name) intervible in the such was the stranger's imposing name) intervible in the such was the stranger's imposing name) intervible.

"Peradventure, I may be permitted"

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AMOOD SINNS BRAVERY.

When early in the afternoon the two armies effected a juncture, the aspect of the allies was such as might well have made Abou Kuram pause ere joining them in battle against so formidable an opponent as Yumen Yusel. The rest had given our men back their spirits. The toils of the desert were forgotten, and every heart beat eagerly for the chance of spoil and glory that was at hand. Amood Sinn's troops, on the contrary, though they made a great show of valour and enthusiasm at our approach, were as miserably draggled and downcast as if they had just crept out of the mire after a trampling by the enemy, and all their shouling and brandishing of arms could not hide the deathly fear that was upon them. To put trust in the intrepidity of such deplorable losels was like relying on the valour of a company of scarecrows. Amood Sinn himself rode out to meet us, gallantly mounted on a richly-caparisoned charger, and attended by a suite in magnificent draperies and a blaze of variegated colours. Nature had given him a soldierly figure, and being very gorgeously and imposingly dressed, he would, in looks at least, have been the beau ideal of a military leader but for the irresolution of the restless eye and a general air of despondency that pomp appeared power-less to lift.

devil?" And he cast a doleful look at Abou Kuram as if to say, "It's really useless, you know, risking our lives"

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fly!"
Amood Sinn, answering something, in a quick, shrill voice, about the futility of encountering Satan, tried to justify the retreat.

"How knowest thou he is Satan?" demanded Abou Kuram, scornfully, "Methin's thou wert in too much haste in getting away to know what he is or even if he be with Yumen Yusel."

"My brother is wroth," answered Amood, insinuatingly, "but he knoweth not what it is to come face to face with the devil." Abou Kuram shook himself in a spasm of disgust.

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Eager for action. Koor Ali galloped to the front with the message, to find Amood Sinn giving instructions about lighting fires to roast some sheep and goats that had been taken in the mountains. Koor Ali instantly wheeled his horse and rode back to Abou Kuram to report, Amood following distracted at his heels.

"My brother is impatient," cried Amood, when he came up. "The men need strength for the toil and heat that are before them. Wherefore not light fires and cook our booty?"

Abou Kuram replied that the men had dates and water ready to their hand, and would be all the nimbler for not dining too well before the engagement. MILLERS' FOUNDRY AND MACHINE WORKS. RITCHIE WHARF, CHATHAM. N. B.

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