

5. The ascent of *Mont Chauve* (869 mètr.)—or *Mont Cau* (*Monte Calvo*)—is usually made by way of *Cimies*, following thence the road to *Falicon* for some distance, and then turning l.

6. But far the most interesting excursion is that to *Peglione*.



THE ASCENT TO PEGLIONE.

Carriages may be taken—or the diligence to *Turin* by *Tenda*—passing *Drap*, the possession of which gave the title of *Count* to the bishops of *Nice*, as far as a stone bridge over the *Peille* at its junction with the *Paillon*, near (20 k.) *l'Escarène*, 7 k. N. of which is the village of *Lucéram* (*Luci ara*), under the *Gros-Braus*. Near

this also is the *Fontaine de Giallier*, where *Lady Bute*, travelling in the time of the *First Empire*, was waylaid by a notorious band of brigands, who had long baffled pursuit, and was robbed of all her diamonds and other valuables. *Lady Bute* had with her a bottle



PEGLIONE FROM THE EAST.

of opium, which she used medicinally, and the robbers, mistaking it for a liqueur, drank some of it. Soon, overwhelmed by sleep, they lay down in a corn-field, where they were taken by gendarmes. It was then found that many members of the best families in *Nice* belonged to the band, and lived handsomely upon their plunder,