

get quickly and inexpensively to the hotels at Luxor. Special facilities are made *en route* for postal and telegraphic communication with Cairo and with Europe.

Messrs. Cook are always able to provide families or shooting-parties with dahabiyehs and competent dragomans, or these may be engaged from many native owners.

The voyage up the Nile was formerly reserved for the richest English and Americans, but I have shown that it is now made easy for any one who wishes to spend £100 in pursuit of health or pleasure. There are many who are not sufficiently gregarious to wish to make a pleasure-trip with a number of strangers, and to see the sights at a fixed time and within a fixed period, and, moreover, have not to consider the economy of time or money. To them the peaceful life of a dahabiyeh has many attractions: their party is complete in itself; they have a supply of books, sketching-materials, shooting necessities and patience; and a dragoman who will procure for them every day a fresh supply of milk, meat, vegetables, fruit, poultry, and eggs. They will be dependent on their cook for bread, and on various tins for butter, jam, bacon, biscuits, etc. They had better provide their own wine, curtains for draughty windows, and deck-chairs. They may either start in their