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With groping arms he heaved that boulder from his door,
Then sat him down in the entry, with hands spread wide before,
Hoping to catch any straggler that stole out with his sheep.
So simple he seemed to think me. But now I pondered deep
What were the wisest counsel, for my men and me to find
Escape from death; long I sat there, weaving in my mind
All my wiles and cunning, as one with life at stake.
For grim the risk. At last, this plan seemed best to take:
There were rams in his flocks, well-nurtured, with thick fleece on
their back,

Stalwart beasts and splendid, with wool of deepest black; Now noiselessly together I lashed them, three by three, Using the supple withies where slept in his savagery That monster; so each man beneath three sheep would ride And while the midmost bore him, another on each side Defended him from peril. But I myself took hold Of one young ram, the finest-face upwards there I rolled And deep within his noble fleece both hands I pressed And clung, with all my endurance, beneath his shaggy breast. Thus then we waited, groaning, the rise of glorious Dawn. "But when appeared the early light of rosy-fingered Morn, Eager to reach their pasture, out rushed his rams again, While the unmilked ewes stood bleating about their pens in pain, With udders swelled to bursting. Their master, though still deep His anguish, as before him there paused each passing sheep, Felt their backs with his fingers; yet his folly never found Underneath their bellies my comrades lying bound. So last there came to the entrance my own ram, moving slow With the weight of his wool and me, that slyly lay below; And I heard great Polyphemus, when he had felt it, say-' Dear ram, why art thou coming out of the cave to-day Hindmost of all? Aforetime, 'twas not like thee to pass After the sheep-nay, foremost, to crop the flowery grass With great, long strides thou ledst them, and first to the riverside, First wast thou to remember the fold at eventide; Yet now thou comest rearmost! Is sorrow in thy mind



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