



Adventure in Saint-Denis

the treasure of a restorer

And this medallion of Queen Marie Antoinette is also decorated with them.



By the way, the medallion!

Where are we going, François?



See, on this plate of the medallion there is an engraving,

a drawing of a cathedral and above it – a lily and a cross.



I thought that it may be the Abbey of Saint-Denis?

After all, almost all kings, princes and princesses of France were buried there.

Perhaps the clue is there!



How were they able to even move with such a train?

Even at a coronation... it's huge!



Court etiquette is an interesting topic in itself,

a set of rules, that are sometimes quite absurd.



For example; according to etiquette, the King himself could not pour his own wine.

Wine was poured by the cup-bearer, who would then give it to the doctor.

The doctor would then hand the goblet to the court tasters who would try it

and, only then, was the King able to drink it.



The empty glass would then be handed back through three people to the cup-bearer.

Philip III even lost his life because of court etiquette.

True! His armchair stood very close to the fireplace

and the grandee, the only servant who, according to the rules, was allowed to move the chair went somewhere on an errand

and the King... he choked to death.



