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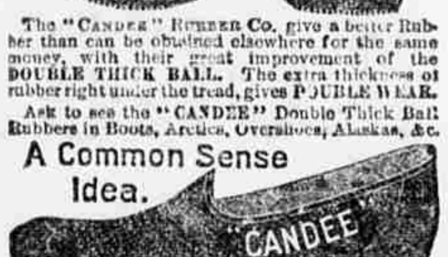

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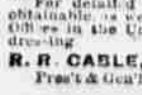

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SUMMARY OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

Anton Lantier, a mechanic, unable to find employment at his trade in Paris, drifts into the interior of France and brings up at the Montson coal mining region, in early spring. Being without money he readily accepts work in the Vulture mine and soon becomes an expert workman. The low wages of the miners, a constant struggle against hunger, and the miserable condition of old and young, excites in him a lively interest and he begins the study of methods tending to alleviate their condition. Gradually he imparts his ideas to others and readily secures the support and co-operation of the poor, struggling workmen. A saving fund is started to which each miner contributed, the money thus obtained to be used to support the men in case of trouble with the coal companies. By the 1st of November the fund amounted to a considerable sum, and the miners, emboldened by this fact, determined to resist a new method of payment introduced by a majority of the companies, which was to go into effect on the first of December. The plan of the companies was to divide the ten centimes paid for each car of coal, one-half to go toward paying for propping in the drifts of the mines. The workmen, to fortify their position in case of revolt, worked fifteen days under the new system of payment, and found that it was an indirect but effective method of reducing their wages. To strike was the only alternative. Meetings were held and a delegation appointed to wait upon the managing director of the mines and lay before him the demands of the men—the abolition of the new system of payment and an increase of five centimes per car. Anton's ability and sagacity made him at once the leader in the strike. The interview of the miners with the manager was without result, and the men, with very little hope of ultimate success, settled down to a long and bitter struggle—the struggle of poverty against unlimited wealth.

CHAPTER XXXVIII

On the night which followed the destruction of the Vulture, M. Hennebeau started for Paris, wishing to give personal information to the managers before the newspapers even could publish the news. When he returned the next day, he was found to be very calm, very pale, with the look of an upright superintendent. He had evidently relieved himself from responsibility; his favor did not appear to have diminished; on the contrary, the decree naming him an officer of the Legion of Honor was signed twenty-four hours after.

Deneulin, appointed engineer of the division had come into the office in the midst of the great disaster, and his first care had been to force the canal back to its bed, for this torrent of water spreading over the bottom of the mine aggravated the damage every hour. Great labor was required; he had immediately placed a hundred workmen at the construction of a dike. Twice the impetuosity of the stream had carried away the first dams. Now, pumps had been fixed; it was a hard fight, a violent struggle for repossession, step by step, of this corner of earth.

But the salvation of the buried miners was still more engrossing. Megrel was again entrusted to make another supreme effort, and arms were not wanting him; all the coalmen rushed to offer themselves in a burst of fraternity. They forgot the strike; they did not trouble themselves about the pay; they asked for nothing, they only asked to risk their lives when comrades were in peril. They were all there with their implements, shivering, waiting to be told at what point to begin. Many, ill from fright after the accident, agitated by nervous trembling, bathed in cold perspiration, possessed by incessant nightmares, got up notwithstanding, and seemed among the most courageous of those battling with the earth as if they had a revenge to take. Only there was some embarrassment when the utility of this work was questioned; what was to be done? how were they to get down? on what side were they to attack the stones?

It was Megrel's opinion that not one of the unfortunate men survived; the fifteen had certainly perished, either drowned or asphyxiated; but in these mining catastrophes the rule was always to consider the immured men at the bottom as living, and he reasoned on this principle.

Before arriving at this logical conclusion, there had been much discussion of a number of impracticable suggestions. Megrel then shook the dust from the archives, and, when he had found the old plans of the two mines, studied them and determined at what points the researches should be made. Gradually, this hunt excited him; he, in his turn, was seized with a fever of self-devotion, in spite of his ironical indifference toward men and things. The first difficulties were encountered in descending at Requillart. They had to clear away the mouth of the shaft, cut down the sorb tree, raze the plantains and hawthorns; and they had besides to repair the ladders. Then the groping about commenced. The engineer, having gone down with ten workmen, made them knock with their picks against certain rocks which he designated; and in profound silence, each holding his ear to the stone, listening to see if no distant stroke responded. But in vain all the practicable galleries were traversed; no echo came. The difficulty increased. Where should they cut away the bed? Toward whom should they go when nobody appeared to be there? But they persisted obstinately in the search, with ever increasing anxiety.

At the end of three days Megrel in despair had resolved to abandon everything that evening. At noon, after lunch, when he had returned with his men to undertake a last effort, he was surprised to see Zacharie come from the mine, very red, gesticulating, and crying:

"She is there! she has answered me! Come on, come on, now."

He had slipped upon the ladders, in spite of the guard, and he swore that they had knocked, there below, in the first road of the vein William.

"But we have already passed twice where you say," said Megrel, incredulous. "But at any rate we will go and see."

Below, Megrel himself struck three blows, wide apart; then he applied his ear to the coal, commanding the workmen to be silent. Not a sound did he hear; he shook his head; evidently the poor boy was dreaming. Furious, Zacharie knocked; and he again heard, his eyes shone, his limbs trembled with joy. Then the other workmen tried their experience, one after the other; they all became animated by plainly hearing the distant response. The engineer was astonished; he again stuck his ear to the coal, and he ended by hearing a slight sound, a rythmical rolling, very distinct, the known cadence of the miners' call when they beat against the coal, in any danger. The coal transmitted the sound with the clearness of crystal, though very distant. An overseer who was there estimated that a block of at least fifty metres separated them from their companions. But it seemed as though they were already able to take their comrades' hands; they at once became cheerful. Megrel at once commenced the work of approach.

As soon as the story was circulated in Montson a new crowd of people arrived. They could see nothing, but they remained there all the same. It was even necessary to hold the most curious at a distance. Below they worked day and night. For fear of meeting with some obstacle the engineer had opened in the vein three lower galleries, and then worked them all toward the point where he supposed the miners to be shut up. A single miner worked to break away the coal upon the straight front of the long narrow slit. They relieved each other every two hours, and the coal with which they filled the baskets was taken out by the hands of a chain of men which extended itself in proportion as the hole increased. The work at first went on very rapidly.

For the prisoners it was the twelfth day which had commenced, a dozen twenty-four hours, without bread, without fire in those icy shadows. That terrible thought wet their eyelids, and stiffened their arms to the work. It seemed impossible that Christians could live longer; the distant blows had been growing weaker since the day before; they trembled at each instant that they should hear them stop.

The ninth day, at lunch time, Zacharie did not reply when they called him to be relieved. He acted though he was crazy, and at last ended by swearing at them. At the moment Megrel, who had gone out for an instant, was not there to make him obey, and there was only with him an overseer and three miners. Without doubt Zacharie, badly lighted, furious at the wavering light which retarded his work, had committed the imprudence of opening his lamp. They had been given strict orders on that point, for the fire-damp was great there. The gas remained in enormous quantity in these straight openings, deprived of ventilation. Suddenly a blast of thunder broke out. A stream of fire came from the slit as if from the mouth of a cannon charged with grape shot. Everything flamed. The air was kindled as if from powder from one side of the galleries to the other. The torrent of flame carried away the overseer, and three workmen ascended the shaft, flashing out into the open day like an eruption which cracked the rocks and the debris of the works. The curious ones fled.

When Megrel and the workmen returned a terrible rage shook them. They beat the ground with their heels, as if a hard-hearted mother had by chance killed her children in the imbecile caprices of her cruelty. They had devoted themselves to go to the assistance of their comrades, and now they had only left there more men. At the end of three long hours of efforts and dangers, when they had penetrated at last into the galleries, the removal of the victims was sorrowful. Neither the overseers nor the workmen were dead, but they were terribly wounded, while they could smell their broiled flesh; they had swallowed the fire, the burns were even in their throats, and they moaned continually, praying that they would put an end to their sufferings by killing them. Of the three miners one was the man who, during the strike had crushed the engine with one blow of the hammer; the two others still kept the marks on their hands where they had cut themselves throwing bricks at the soldiers. The crowd, all pale and shivering, uncovered their heads as they were carried past them.

The body of Zacharie at length appeared. The clothing was burned, the body was but a black piece of coal, unrecognizable. Crushed in the explosion, the head was no longer there. And when they had placed this frightful remnant of the young man on a litter, Mrs. Mahon followed them with a mechanical step, her eyelids burning, and without a tear. At the alley, Philomene was stupified; her eyes changed into fountains which at once relieved her. But the mother had already returned with the same step to Requillart; she had accompanied her son, she now returned there to wait for her daughter.

Three days more passed away. They had resumed the work in the midst of unheard of difficulties. The galleries to the approach were happily not filled up from the explosion of fire-damp, only the air burned there, vitiated to such a degree, that it was necessary to put in other ventilators. Now every twenty minutes the miners were relieved. They had advanced within two metres of their comrades. Meanwhile they worked on with chilled hearts, digging hard as if out of vengeance, for the sounds had ceased; the answer no longer sounded its clear cadence. They had been working for twelve days, it was now fifteen days after the catastrophe, and since morning a silence of death had fallen.

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"Morning."

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Omaha Time Table.

All trains arrive and depart from Omaha by Central Standard Time.

Trains of the C. St. P. M. & O. arrive and depart from their depot, corner of 14th and Webster streets; trains on the B. & M., C. B. & Q. and K. C. St. J. & C. B. from the B. & M. depot; all others from the Union Pacific depot.

Bridge trains will leave U. P. depot at 6:35, B 7:35, 8:00, 8:50, 8:55, B 10:00, 11:15, a. m.; 12:35, 12:50, B 2:00, 2:20, 3:00, B 4:00, 4:20, 4:55, 5:55, 6:00, 7:00, 11:10 p. m. Leave Transfer for Omaha at 7:12, B 8:15, 9:30, 9:37 B 10:37, 11:09, 11:47 a. m; 1:05, 1:37, B 2:37, 3:30, 3:37, B 4:35, 5:32, 6:33, 7:20, 7:50, 11:53 p. m. B trains do not run on Sunday. All others run daily. Ferry trains will run as first section of each dummy train, except those leaving Omaha at 6:35 a. m. and 11:10 p. m., and leaving Council Bluffs at 7:05 a. m. and 11:45 p. m.

STOCK YARDS TRAINS—Special stock yards passenger trains leave Omaha at 6:40 a. m., 8:00 a. m., 8:55 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 11:20 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 3:50 p. m., and 5:25 p. m. Leave stock yards for Omaha at 7:55 a. m., 10:25 a. m., 12:01 p. m., 1:53 p. m., 3:35 p. m., 4:40 p. m. and 6:20 p. m.

Connecting lines at transfer depot, Council Bluffs. Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific—leave, B 7:15, B 9:15 a. m., C 5:20 p. m.; arrive, D 9:15 a. m., B 5:30, B 7:00 p. m. Chicago & Northwestern—leave, B 9:15 a. m., C 5:20 p. m.; arrive, D 9:15 a. m., B 7:00 p. m. Chicago, Burlington & Quincy—leave, A 9:35 a. m., A 5:35 p. m.; arrive, A 9:15 a. m., B 6:20 p. m., A 7:15 p. m. Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—leave B 9:15 a. m., C 5:20 p. m.; arrive, D 9:15, a. m., B 7:00 p. m. Kansas City, St. Joe & C. B.—leave, A 10:00 a. m., C 8:55 p. m.; arrive, D 6:35 a. m., B 7:35 p. m. Wabash—leave, A 3:00 p. m.; arrive, A 3:20 p. m. Sioux City & Pacific—leave, A 7:05 a. m., A 7:55 p. m.; arrive, A 9:35 a. m., A 7:00 p. m.;

Westward—Pacific express leave A 8:20 p. m.; arrive A 7:50 a. m.; Denver express, leave A 11:20 a. m., arrive A 4:10 p. m.; U. P. mail and express, Rep. valley, leave A 1:20 p. m., arrive A 2:10 p. m.; B. & M. mail and express Rep. valley, leave A 8:10, arrive 6:30 a. m.; B. & M. night express, leave A 6:00 p. m., arrive A 10:40 a. m.

Southward—M. P. day express, leave A 11:00 a. m., arrive 6:00 a. m.; night express, leave B 9:00 p. m., arrive A 7:00 p. m.; K. C. St. J. & C. B., via Plattsmouth, leave A 9:10 a. m., B 8:45 p. m., arrive D 7:00.

Northward—C., St. P., M. & O., Sioux City express, leave A 8:30 a. m., arrive 5:30 p. m.; Oakland accommodation, leave C 5:40 p. m., arrive C 11:00 a. m.

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Eastward—C. B. & Q. via Plattsmouth, leave 5:30 p. m., arrive 9:30 a. m.

Westward—Pacific express leaves A 8:20 p. m., arrive A 7:50 a. m.; Denver express, leave A 11:20 a. m., arrive A 4:10 p. m.; U. P. mail and express, Rep. Valley, leave A 1:30 p. m., arrive A 2:10 p. m.; B. & M. mail and express Rep. Valley, leave A 8:10 a. m., arrive 10:40 a. m.; B. & M. night express, leave A 6:20 p. m., arrive A 6:35 p. m.

Southward M. P. day express, leave A 11:20 a. m., arrive 6:00 a. m.; night express, leave B 9:00 p. m., arrive A 7:00 p. m.; K. C., St. J. & C. B., via Plattsmouth, leave A 9:20 a. m., B 8:45 p. m., arrive D 7:30 a. m., 7:55 p. m.

Northward—C., St. P., M. & O., Sioux City express, leave A 8:30 a. m., arrive 5:30 p. m.; Overland accommodation, leave C 5:40 p. m., arrive C 10:00 a. m.

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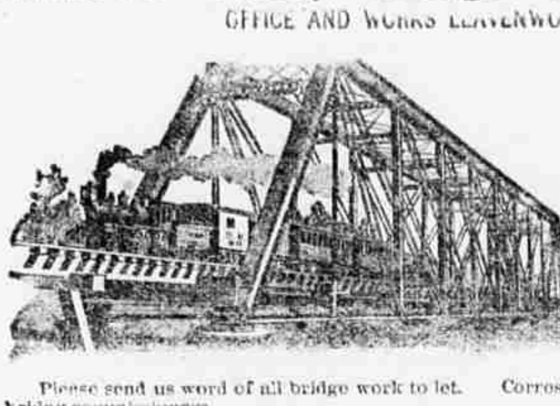

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