THE WAR-TRAIL!

CHAPTER XXXI.

THE PARLEY.

ANOTHER chorus of *vivas* announced that the guerilla chief had finished his oration, and that the attack was about to be made. We saw him, with one or two others advance in front of the line, and head towards us, evidently intending to lead the charge.

"Now!" muttered Rube, in a sharp quick tone, "guns ready, boys! no waste shots, d'yur hear? Lead counts hyur—*it* do. See! By the jumpin Geehosephat thur agwine to ride right down! Let 'em kum on, and be——! Thur's one o' 'em won't git this tur—I mout say two—I mout say three i'deed Durn the glint o' thet sun! Billee!" he continued addressing Garey, "ee'll shoot fust; yur gun's furrest carry. Plug the big un on the clay-bank hoss. This child's for No. 2 on the grey mustang. An, young fellur! ee'll jest pick off thet niggur on the roan. I know yur wild cat to the bone, but keep yur eye skinned, and yur narves steady, d' yur hear?"

"Yes, yes!" I hurriedly answered, though at the time steadiness of nerves was easier promised than practised. My heart was heaving in quick pulsations at the near prospect of the terrible drama about to be enacted.

At this moment the "Forward" fell upon our ears, and with the wild notes of the bugle came the words:

"*Andela! anda! Dios y Guadalupe!*"

In an instant, the troop was in motion, and pressed forward, galloping to the charge.

They had not made many stretches before their line became broken, several of the swiftest or most courageous forging ahead of the others.

"The three fo'most!" cried Rube, in the same sharp tone—"the three fo'most! Tha 'll fotch 'em up wi' a roun turn, or this child's mistaken. Now, boyees! mind yur eyes! Steady! Steady—steady'——

All at once, Rube's muttered cautions, slowly drawled out, were changed to an exclamation that betokened surprise, followed by a long low whistle of the same import! The cause was clear. The guerrilleros had got within three hundred yards of us, still going at a gallop, but he could perceive that their pace slackened as they advanced; already it was more of an amble, than the forward dash of an earnest charge. It was evident they had no stomach for the business—now that they were near enough to see the shining barrels and black hollow tubes of our levelled rifles.

Garey was waiting till the foremost should pass the artemisia bush; for by that he had long since calculated the point-blank range of his rifle. Another moment, and its crack would have been heard; but the horseman, as if warned by instinct, seemed to divine the exact limit of danger. Before reaching the bush, his heart failed him, and in a wavering irresolute manner, he drew bridle, and halted! The others, nothing loath, followed his example, until the whole troop had pulled up within less than three hundred yards of the muzzles of our guns!

"Cowed, by—!" shouted Rube with a derisive laugh. "Hulloo!" continued he, raising his voice still louder, and addressing the halted line: "what the h—ll do ee want, anyhow?"

Whether Rube's interrogatory was understood or not, it elicited a reply:

"*Amigos! somos amigos!*" (We are friends!) shouted back the leader of the band.

"Friends be durned!" exclaimed the the trapper, who knew enough of Spanish to understand the signification of *amigos*. "Nice friends you! Wagh! D'yur think to bamfoozle us that way? Keep yur distance now!" continued he, raising his rifle in a threatening manner, as a movement was perceptible among the horsemen. "Keep yur distance, or, by the tarnal airthquake! I'll plug the fust o' ye that rides within reach. Durn such friends as you!"

The leader now conversed in a low tone with his lieutenant. Some new design seemed to have been devised between them—and after a while, the former again addressed us, speaking as before in Spanish.

"We are friends!" said he: "we mean you no harm. To prove it, I will order my men to fall back upon the prairie, while my lieutenant, unarmed, will meet one of you on the neutral ground. Surely, you can have no objection to that?"

"And why such an arrangement?" inquired Garey, who spoke Spanish fluently. "We wan't nothing of *you*. What do you want from *us*, with all this durnd fuss?"

"I have business with you," replied the Mexican; "and *you*, sir, in particular. I have something to say to you I don't wish others to hear."

As he said this, the speaker turned his head, and nodded significantly towards his own following. He was candid with them at least.

This unexpected dialogue took all three of us by surprise. What could the man want with Garey? The latter knew nothing of him—had never, as he declared, "sot eyes on the niggur before;" although at such a distance—with the sun in his face, and the Mexican's sombrero slouched as it was—Garey might be mistaken. It might be some one whom he had met, though he could not recall him to mind.

After a short consultation, we agreed that Garey should accept the proposal. No evil could result from it—none that we could think of. Garey could easily get back, before any attack could be made upon him, and Rube and I should still be ready to protect him with our pieces. If they meditated treachery, we could not perceive the advantage they were to gain from the proceeding.

The "parley" therefore was accepted, and the conditions arranged with due caution on our part. The horsemen—with the exception of the leader and his lieutenant—were to ride back to the distance of half a mile; the leader was to remain where he was; and half-way between him and us, Garey and the lieutenant were to meet, both of them on foot and unarmed.

At an order from their chief, the guerrilleros fell back. The lieutenant dismounted, laid his lance along the ground, unbuckled his sabre, drew the pistols from his belt, and placing them beside the lance, advanced towards the appointed spot.

Garey had likewise disarmed himself; and leaving his weapons in charge of Rube and myself, stepped forth to meet the Mexican. In another minute the two stood face to face, and the "parley" began.

It was of short duration. The speaking, which appeared to be principally done by the Mexican, was carried on in a low tone; and Rube and I saw that he pointed frequently in our direction, as if we were the subject of his discourse! We observed that his harangue was suddenly interrupted by Garey, who, turning round at the same instant, cried out to us in English:

"Hillow, Rube! what do yer think the skunk wants?"

"How shed I know?" replied Rube. "What do 'e want?"

"Why, he wants"—Garey's voice rose louder with indignation—"he wants us to give up the *ranger-captain*; an sez, if we do, you an me can go free. Ha, ha, ha!" said the young trapper ended his announcement with a scornful laugh.

Simultaneous with Garey's laugh, I could hear Rube utter a low whistle, and the words "thet's how the stick floats;" and, then raising his voice, he called out:

"An what answer hev you gin him, Billee?"

"I hain't answered him yet," was the prompt reply; "but hyar's the answer!"

I saw Garey's arm raised, with his huge fist clenched; I saw it descend like a trip-hammer upon the face of the Mexican, who with the blow fell heavily to the earth!

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TRAINS OUTWARD.

STATIONS.	MIXED.	MIXED.	MIXED.
Ch'town ..	Dp 8.15am	Dp 3.00pm	Dp 2.30pm
Royalty Jc	" 8.38 "	" 3.23 "	" 2.53 "
N Wiltsh'e	" 9.29 "	" 4.15 "	
Hunter R'r	" 9.45 "	" 4.30 "	
Bradalba'e	"10.23 "	" 5.08 "	
Co'ty Line.	"10.33 "	" 5.18 "	
Freetown	"10.48 "	" 5.33 "	
Kensingt'n	"11.10 "	" 5.55	
Summ'side	Ar11.45 " Dp1.45pm	Ar 6.30	
Wellingt'n	" 2.37 "		
Port Hill..	" 3.22 "		
O'Leary...	" 4.44 "		
Bloomfield	" 5.08 "		
Alberton..	" 5.48 "		
Tignish...	Ar 6.45 "		
Royalty Jc			Dp 2.53pm
York.....			" 3.09 "
Bedford...			" 3.29 "
Mt. Stew't			Ar 4.05 " Dp 4.15 "
Cardigan..			" 5.33 "
Georget'n..			Ar 6.00 "
Mt. Stew't			Dp 4.15pm
Morell....			" 4.55 "
St. Peter's.			" 5.25 "
Bear River			" 6.15 "
Souris....			Ar 7.00 "

TRAINS INWARD.

STATIONS.	MIXED.	MIXED.	MIXED.
Ch'town ..	Ar 5.30pm	Ar11.15am	Ar11.45am
Royalty Jc	Dp 5.07 "	Dp10.52 "	Dp11.22 "
N Wiltsh'e	" 4.15 "	"10.00 "	
Hunter R'r	" 4.00 "	" 9.45 "	
Bradalba'e	" 3.24 "	" 9.09 "	
Co'ty Line.	" 3.14 "	" 8.59 "	
Freetown..	" 2.59 "	" 8.44 "	
Kensingt'n	" 2.35 "	" 8.20 "	
Summ'side	" 2.00 " Ar11.30am	" 7.45	
Wellingt'n	Dp10.38 "		
Port Hill..	" 9.53 "		
O Leary...	" 8.31 "		
Bloomfield	" 8.08 "		
Alberton..	" 7.25 "		
Tignish...	" 6.30 "		
Royalty Jc			Dp11.22am
York.....			"11.05 "
Bedford...			"10.45 "
Mt. Stew't			"10.10 " Ar10.00 "
Cardigan..			Dp 8.40 "
Georget'n .			" 8.15 "
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By order,
(Signed) F. BRAUN,
Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, January 5, 1882. ja 14 tl f10law

Canadian Pacific Railway.

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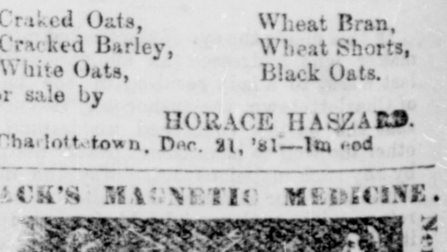

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