

THE WAR-TRAIL!

CHAPTER LXXIX. A SUBTERRANEAN FIRE.

In the midst of my meditations, night descended upon the earth. It promised to be a moonless night. A robe of sable clouds formed a sombre lining to the sky, and through this neither moon nor star was visible.

It grew darker apace, until in the dim light I could scarce distinguish the forms of my companions—neither men nor horses—though both were near me.

The men were still asleep, stretched along the grass in various attitudes, like so many bodies upon a battle-field. The horses were too hungry to sleep—the constant "crop-crop" told that they were greedily browsing upon the sward of grama grass that, by good fortune, grew luxuriantly around. This would be the best rest for them, and I was glad to think that this splendid provider would, in a few hours, recruit their strength. It was the chondrosium paucum—the favorite food of horses and cattle, and in its effects upon their condition almost equal to the bean or the oat. I knew it would soon freshen the jaded animals, and make them ready for the road. At least in this there was some consolation.

Notwithstanding the pre-occupation of my thoughts, I began to experience a physical discomfort, which, despite the low latitude, is often felt upon the southern prairie—cold. A chill breeze had set in with the night which in half an hour became a strong and violent wind, increasing in coldness as in strength. In that half hour the thermometer must have fallen at least fifty Fahrenheit degrees—and such a phenomenon is not rare upon the plains of Texas. The wind was the well-known "norther," which often kills both men and animals, that chance to be exposed to its icy breath.

I have endured the rigor of a Canadian winter—have crossed the frozen lakes—have slept upon a snow wreath amidst the wild wastes of Rupert's Land, but I cannot remember cold more intensely chilling than that I have suffered in a Texan norther. This extreme does not arise from the actual depression of the thermometer—which at best is not a poor indicator of either heat or cold—I mean the sensation of either. It is more probably the contrast arising from the sudden change—the exposure—the absence of proper clothing or shelter—the state of the blood with other like circumstances, that cause an extreme temperature to be more sensibly felt. I had oftentimes experienced the chill blast of the norther, but never more acutely than upon that night. The day had been sweltering hot—the thermometer at noon ranging about the one hundredth degree, while in the first hour of darkness it could not have been far above the twentieth. Had I judged by my sensations, I should have put it even lower—certainly it had passed the freezing point, and sharp sleet and hail were borne upon the wings of the wind. With nerves deranged from want of rest and sleep—after the hot day's march—after the perspiration produced by long exposure upon the heated surface of the burnt prairie—I perhaps felt the cold more acutely than I should otherwise have done. My blood seemed to stagnate and freeze within my veins.

I was fain to wrap around my body a buffalo which some careless savage had dropped upon the trail. My followers were not so well furnished. Starting as we had done without any thought of being absent for the night, no preparation had been made for camping out. Only a few of them chanced to have their blankets strapped upon the cantles of their saddles. These were now the fortunate ones.

The norther had roused all of them from their slumbers—had awakened them as suddenly as douches of cold water would have done; and one and all were groping about in the darkness—some seeking for their blankets—some for such shelter as was afforded by the lee side of the bushes.

Fortunately, there were saddle blankets, and these were soon dragged from the backs of the horses. The poor brutes themselves suffered equally with their owners. They stood cowering under the cold, with their hips to the cutting blast, their limbs drawn close together, and their flanks shaggy and shining. Some sheltered themselves behind the bushes, scarce caring to touch the grass at their feet.

It would have been easy enough to make a fire—there was dry wood in plenty near the spot, and of the best kind for burning—the large species of mesquite. Some of the men were for kindling fires at once, regardless of consequences, but this design was overruled by the more prudent of the party. The trappers were strongly against it. Cold as was the night and dark, they knew that neither the norther nor the darkness would deter Indians from being abroad. A party might be out upon the prairie—the very buffalo skin we had picked up might bring a squad of them back—for it was the grand robe of some warrior, whose life-history was delineated in hieroglyphical painting upon its inner surface. To have made a fire might have cost us our lives.

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Saturday 6th May next,

for the purchase of (\$20,000) Twenty Thousand Dollars Debentures of the City of Charlottetown.

These Debentures are of the denomination of \$500 each, and are payable in twenty (20) years from date of issue, bearing interest at five (5) per cent per annum, payable half yearly.

The Council do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender. Any further information required, as to the issue of debentures, can be had on application to the undersigned.

WM. B. MORRISON, City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, April 12, 1882. d 17

TO LET.

THE Store and Dwelling, No. 62 Queen Street, next door to W. A. Weeks & Co's, and lately occupied by the subscriber, to whom application is to be made.

JOHN GAHAN, Ch'town, March 31, '82—2w eod

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INDEBTED to the subscribers are requested to make immediate payment. Final notice.

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Opposite the Railway.

FOR SALE the premises now occupied by me, being a Dwelling, Stable, and large Warehouse. This property fronts 170 feet on Water Street and 100 on Weymouth, directly opposite the Railway Station.

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Feb. 10, 1882.

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These Burners are reported to be the best Flat Flame Burner yet produced, and will give a far greater amount of light than any other Burner with the same consumption of Gas.

Dr. Wallace, F. R. S. E., F. C. S., Gas Examiner to the City of Glasgow, in a lecture delivered by him, calculated that £130,000 (\$650,000) a year are thrown away in Glasgow by the use of imperfect fittings. On the subject of Gas Burners he says: "Another and as I think a better Burner is that called Bray's regulator, and I consider these the best unburned Burners attainable at moderate cost. I have selected them for a series of experiments.

The Report of the Committee of the British Association of Scientists to enquire as to the best means for the development of light from Coal Gas of different qualities—comprising Dr. William Wallace, Professor Dittmar, and Mr. Thomas Wile, F. C. S., F. I. C. E., showed that Bray's Burner yielded the greatest amount of light of all the two or three score of Burners reported upon, which included all the Burners of repute in the market.

In a pamphlet upon Light and Heat, published by R. B. Tabor, A. M., he says: "The cost of Gas as compared with other illuminants is much more economical when rightly used, than many suppose. From experiments made for this purpose, the following results have been obtained. They were made by burning samples of Devos's Brilliant Oil and ordinary Oil, and testing their illuminating power. It was found that Coal Gas costing one cent at \$3 per thousand feet, gave a light equal to 18 candles, while Devos's Brilliant Oil consuming 27.4 grammes costing half a cent, gave a light equal to 9 candles.

A good Argand or Johnson's Burner, the Burner used in the last experiment, will therefore give the light of 2 ordinary Oil Burners in direct comparison, at no greater expense in the case of the finer and safer grades of Oil. Lights, however, on the authority of Scientists, are not to be compared in direct proportion, but in proportion to the square of their power, and such a comparison with the case of the use of gas, its cleanliness, freedom from odor and dangers, renders its use desirable wherever it can be introduced."

As the above experiments were made with Gas at \$3 per 1000 feet, and not consumed through Bray's Burners, it will readily be seen how much more economical it is to consume Gas instead of Oil, when its price is only \$2.53 per 1000 feet as now charged here when consumed, more especially through Bray's Burners.

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Ch'town, April 6, '82—1f

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TIME TABLE NO 17.

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To take effect on the 1st Dec., 1881.

TRAINS OUTWARD.

STATIONS, MIXED, MIXED, MIXED.

Ch'town, Dp 8.15am, 1.30pm, Dp 2.30pm

Royalty Jc, " 8.38 " " 3.23 " " 2.53 "

N. Wiltsh's, " 9.29 " " 4.15 "

Hunter R'r, " 9.45 " " 4.30 "

Bradalba's, " 10.23 " " 5.08 "

Co'ty Line, " 10.33 " " 5.18 "

Freetown, " 10.48 " " 5.33 "

Keating's, " 11.10 " " 5.55 "

Summ'side, Ar 11.45 " Ar 6.30

Dp 1.45pm

Wellington, " 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, Ar 4.05 "

Mt. Stew't, Dp 4.15 "

Georgetown, Ar 6.00 "

Cardigan, Dp 4.15pm

Morell, " 4.55 "

St. Peter's, " 5.25 "

St. Peter's, " 6.15 "

St. Peter's, " 7.00 "

TRAINS INWARD.

STATIONS, MIXED, MIXED, MIXED.

Ch'town, Ar 5.30pm, Ar 11.15am, Ar 11.45am

Royalty Jc, Dp 5.07 " Dp 10.52 " Dp 11.22 "

N. Wiltsh's, " 4.15 " " 10.00 "

Hunter R'r, " 4.00 " " 9.45 "

Bradalba's, " 3.24 " " 9.09 "

Co'ty Line, " 3.14 " " 8.59 "

Freetown, " 2.59 " " 8.44 "

Keating's, " 2.35 " " 8.20 "

Summ'side, " 2.00 " " 7.45 "

Ar 11.30am

Wellington, Dp 10.35 "

Port Hill, " 9.53 "

O'Leary, " 8.31 "

Bloomfield, " 8.08 "

Alberton, " 7.25 "

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Georgetown, Dp 8.40 "

Cardigan, " 8.15 "

Morell, Ar 9.20 "

St. Peter's, Dp 8.50 "

St. Peter's, " 8.00 "

St. Peter's, " 7.15 "

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