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By eleven o'clock we were utterly exhausted and were, generally speaking, in a very bad way, indeed. The lava clinkers, over which we had to make our way, though comparatively smooth compared with some clinker I have heard of, such as that on the Island of Ascension for instance, was yet rough enough to make our feet very sore, and this together with our miseries, had pretty well finished us.

"What is it, Umbopa, son of a fool?" I shouted in Zulu. "It is food and water, Macumazahn," and again he waved the green thing. Then I saw what he had got. It was a melon. We had hit upon a patch of wild melons, thousands of them and dead ripe.

That night we again went on with the moon, carrying as many melons as we could with us. As we got higher up we found the air getting cooler and cooler, which was a great relief to us, and at dawn, so far as we could judge, were not more than about a dozen miles from the snow-line.

We now began to grow very anxious about food. We had escaped death by thirst, but it seemed probable that it was only to die of hunger. The events of the next three miserable days are best described by copying the entries made at the time in my note-book.

21st May.—Started 13 A. M., and got to the atmosphere quite cold enough to travel by day, carrying some water-melons with us. Struggled all day, but saw no more melons, having, evidently, passed out of their district.

22d.—Started at sunrise again, feeling very faint and weak. Only made five miles to-day; found some patches of snow, of which we ate, but nothing else. Camped at night under the edge of a great plateau.

23d.—Struggled forward once more as soon as the sun was well up, and had thawed our limbs a little. We are now in a dreadful plight, and I fear that unless we get food this will be our last day's journey.

And now I will drop the journal, partly because it is not very interesting reading, partly because what follows requires perhaps rather accurate telling.

All that day (the 23d. & 24th) we struggled on up the incline of snow, lying down from time to time to rest. A strange, gaunt crew we must have looked, as, laden we were, we dragged our weary feet over the dazzling plain, glaring round us with hungry eyes.

Not that there was much use in glaring, for there was nothing to eat. We did not do more than seven miles that day. Just before sunset we found ourselves right under the nipple of Sheba's left breast which towered up thousand of feet into the air above us, a vast, smooth hillock of frozen snow. But as we felt we could not but appreciate the wonderful scene, made even more wonderful by the flying rays of light from the setting sun, which here and there stained the snow blood-red, and crowned the towering mass above us with a diadem of glory.

"I say," gasped Good, presently, "we ought to be somewhere near the cave the old gentleman wrote about."

"Yes," said I, "if there is a cave."

"Come, Quatermain," groaned Sir Henry, "don't talk like that; I have every faith in it; don't; remember the water. We shall find the place soon."

"If we don't find it before dark we are dead men, that is all about it," was my consolatory reply.

For the next ten minutes we tramped on in silence, when suddenly Umbopa, who was marching along beside me, wrapped up in his blanket, with a leather belt strapped so tight round his stomach to "make his hunger small," as he said, that his waist looked like a girl's, caught me by the arm.

"Look!" he said, pointing toward the springing slope of the nipple.

I followed his glance, and perceived some two hundred yards from us what appeared to be a hole in the snow.

"It is the cave," said Umbopa. We made the best of our way to the spot, and found sure enough that the hole was the mouth of a cave, no doubt the same as that of which Da Silvestra wrote.

We were none to soon, for just as we reached shelter the sun went down with startling rapidity, leaving the whole place nearly dark.

In these latitudes there is but little twilight. We crept into the cave, which did not appear to be very big, and huddling ourselves together for warmth, swallowed what remained of our brandy—barely a mouthful each—and tried to forget our miseries in sleep.

Not very long before dawn I heard the Hottentot Ventvogel, whose teeth had been chattering all night like castanets, give a deep sigh, and then his teeth stopped chattering. I did not think anything of it at the time, concluding that he had gone to sleep.

At length the air began to grow gray with light, then swift, golden arrows came flashing across the snow, and at last the glorious sun peeped up above the lava wall and looked in upon our half-frozen forms and upon Ventvogel, sitting there amongst us stone dead.

By this time the sunlight was pouring its rays (for here they are eddies straight in) at the mouth of the cave. Suddenly I heard an exclamation of fear from some one, and turned my head toward the cave.

The others saw it too, and the sight proved too much for our shattered nerves. One and all we scrambled out of the cave, as fast as our half-frozen limbs would allow.

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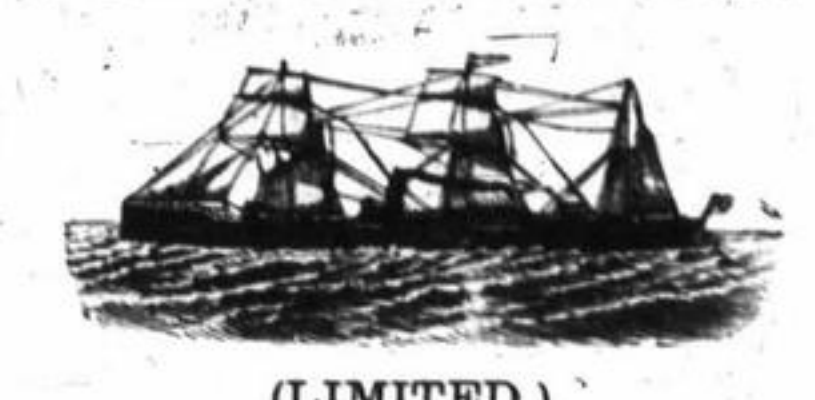
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