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Presence of Mind and a Little Good Luck Have Prevented Many a Terrible Tragedy in Snowclad Peaks—Prof. Tyndall and Party Had a Hairbreadth Escape When They Rode on an Avalanche.

Every climbing season has its terrible crop of disasters on the Alpine slopes, stories of lost foothold and a consequent dash to death. But occasionally presence of mind, a clear head, perhaps, with a dash of what most people would call sheer luck, have saved a climber just in the nick of time, perhaps from a fall of a thousand feet.

A recent case illustrates this. A party was saved by the instant action of a guide from a certain swift descent to destruction. On the top of the Weisshorn, one of the well-known Zermatt Peaks, there is a razor-edged ridge of snow. The party, which were of course, roped together, had reached the summit and were just beginning to descend. In fact, all but one of the party had actually strung themselves out down the steep slope of snow. Without warning a part of the narrow crest broke beneath the weight, and the whole party would have fallen with it, and nothing could have saved them from a terrible death had not the guide at the upper end of the rope instantly thrown himself down the slope at the farther side of the ridge, opposite to that of the fallen men.

The rope stretched itself like the "e" string over the bridge of a violin, the single guide on one side, and the rest of the party on the other, neither having a chance of regaining

a foothold unaided. If the knife-like edge cut the rope death was still certain. But there they held until they were rescued by another party, who heard their cries and hastened to their assistance.

The late Professor Tyndall used to go year after year to Switzerland while he was engaged in his interesting investigations as to the nature and movements of glaciers, had one of the most thrilling experiences on record in connection with an avalanche. It happened in the Engadine, and his companions were Messrs. Hutchinson, Lee Warner, and two guides named Jenni and Walter. The party were all roped together, and were descending a gully of ice with snow resting upon it. They had not got far down when Jenni turned round and said, "A false step here may cause an avalanche. Be careful." He had scarcely spoken when the false step was made.

Professor Tyndall was second in the line, and he saw his friends and the guide Walter, who brought up the rear, whirled past him. He did his best to check the downward rush, but in vain, and all five found themselves riding downwards on the back of the avalanche which a single slip had started.

The Professor, being an old mountaineer, knew what to do in an emergency, and, keeping his presence of mind, he strove to thrust his alpenstock through the moving snow into the ice beneath. This was his last effort, however, and they were carried downwards with incredible velocity, and all in a tangle, and a few minutes later were actually carried by the avalanche clear over a crevasse, the velocity being so great that it did not give them time, as it were, to drop into the frightful rent in the mountain.

Very soon a second crevasse was reached, and the guide, Jenni, seeing that they were approaching it, did a magnificently brave act, for he deliberately threw himself into the chasm, feeling sure that the others would be carried over it as before, and hoping that the strain of his weight on the other end of the rope would balance the party, as it were, and check the downward course. So tremendous, however, was their velocity that, although he was an exceptionally heavy man, the weight of the other four jerked him out of the fissure, and the slide continued.

Jenni was now the hindermost of the sliding group, with the Professor next to him, and the three foremost men riding, as it were, on the head of the avalanche. As they were travelling the glacier became precipitous, and at the base there was quite a series of terribly deep chasms, down which they must inevitably fall and be buried under the thousands of tons of snow composing the tail of the avalanche. Both the Professor and Jenni had lost their alpenstocks, but the former strove with might and main to drive his heels into the firmer surface beneath the snow. Now or never they must be brought to rest. Let the Professor now relate how the adventure ended:

"Looking in advance I noticed that the slope for a short distance became less steep, and then fell as before. Now or never we must be brought to rest. The speed visibly slackened, and I thought we were saved. But the momentum had been too great; the avalanche crossed the brow, and in part regained its motion. Here Hutchinson threw his arm around his friend, all hope being extinguished, whilst I grasped my belt and struggled to free myself. Finding this difficult from the tossing, I suddenly resumed the strain upon the rope. Destiny had so related the downward impetus to Jenni's pull as to give the latter a slight advantage, and the whole question was whether the opposing force would have time to act. This was all arranged in our favor, for we came to rest so near the brow that two or three seconds of our average motion of descent would have carried us over. Had this occurred we should have fallen into the chasm and been covered up by the tail of the avalanche."

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### Martinique.

Martinique, one of the French West Indies, has an area of 350 square miles and a population of about 183,000, some 180,000 of whom were born in France or French colonies and 3,000 in foreign countries.

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