

MEXICAN HERO RESCUES MINER.

JEROME, Oct. 15—A Mexican mucker, Pablo Morales, proved himself a hero last night when, with one eye blown out by a blast, he carried an unconscious fellow worker, William Hess, 200 yards to reach assistance.

Hess, a miner, and Morales, a mucker, were working in a drift on the 500-foot level of the United Verde. Hess was loading a round of holes that he had just drilled. It is assumed that while he was engaged in this work his lamp touched the powder in a short hole. At any rate, there was an explosion that knocked both men down.

Both Morales' eyes were filled with rock and dirt and one was so badly injured that what remained of the orb was later removed at the hospital. For a miracle, he was not knocked unconscious. When he picked himself up and peered about with his good eye he saw Hess lying covered with blood.

Morales, who is a much smaller man than Hess, picked up the other and carried him until he met assistance. From the point where the accident occurred to the place where Morales gave up his burden is fully 200 yards.

At the hospital it was found necessary to amputate Hess' right arm. Otherwise he is hurt only slightly. Aside from the loss of his eye, Morales' injuries are of no great consequence.

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