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HELICOPTER USED IN HIGH MOUNTAIN TRANSPORTS OF HEAVY MATERIAL

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Positive developed: 45 meters = 150 ft

In the course of the work for building of the new Hydro-electric project which necessitated last year the draining of the village of TIGNES, engineers who stopped in their progress of the large tunnel going through the entire mountain, by underground water deposits. These water were found to come from several torrents and melting glaciers on the mountain top. It was ~~therefore~~ therefore decided, to collect these waters by mean of a ground kind of pipe line going along the mountain side. However this must be done before the bad weather season begins, so that no more filtrating waters can drown the tunnel when spring comes. To speed up the work, engineers have hire an helicoptere which is going up and down from the valley to the top of the mountain, 10 hours a day, bringing a pipeline piece at each time.

It is a dangerous work, in view of the strong winds going on all the time in this high mountain area. However, a platform has been built half way up the mountain top where the Helicoptere can have a landing in case of too strong winds preventing his continuing his trips.

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