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ANDES RAILROAD.

High in the Andes - over, around and even through the mountain peaks - Ecuador is forging the final rail link between its capital of Quito and the Pacific coast. Men, not machines, are the backbone of this job. Bridges have to be made, and the living rock drilled and blasted to make a path for the railway to follow.

New obstacles arise every day. A pile of heavy timber slips, and a workman hangs on for dear life.

Almost a hundred miles of track will have been laid when the \$7,000,000 project is completed early next year, and the trains begin the run through the mountain ranges which tower above this ancient land of the Incas.