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spade: tells us Jerome is digging.
clanging: spade has hit something metallic.
hopes: Jerome doesn’t really believe the legend about buried treasure.
buried treasure: we can infer Jerome is digging for buried treasure and he has hit something metallic! Treasure?