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## TWELVE KILLED.

An Explosion of Firedamp in a Savanna Mine
Has Feavful Results—Five Men Lost
in a Capsized Vessel —
The Fire List, Etc.

DENISON, Tex., April 5 .- [Special.] Last night at 10:30 o'clock the mine at Savanna, I. T., exploded with a terrible shock, it being felt over two miles off, and resulted in the killing of six miners outright. At 8 o'clock this morning six men entered the mine to recover the dead bodies, but were smothered. At 10 o'clock down, and went men BIX more also failed to return, mak they eighteen lives being total of lost and none recovered. Superintendent of the mines William Connor was taken out twice in an insensible condition. The explosion was caused from fire damp, everything being so dry in the mines. Had the explosion taken place in the day time there would probably have been over 300 lives lost. Nearly 2,000 miners from the surrounding mines went over to Savanna to help the distressed and recover the dead bodies, having placed four large fans to work.

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