

WILL MEET A LIVING DEATH

ELEVEN MINERS ENTOMBED IN
SHAFT AT FREMONT MINE.

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DRY TON, Cal., Nov. 30.—With a wall of fire between them and freedom eleven miners are entombed in the shaft of the Fremont mine at this place and all hope of their rescue has been abandoned. Of a party of thirteen men who were lowered into the Fremont mine shortly after the noon hour, two miners, both Italians, fought their way through the blinding smoke and blistering flames to safety. Their companions have not been heard from. One hundred miners have toiled heroically all today in the effort to save their entombed comrades. In the shaft where the fire rages they have been driven back by scorching flames. In the side drifts they have been met by blinding, suffocating smoke, and now they must wait until the fire subsides, in the faint hope that they may find the eleven workmen safe from the smoke and fire in a sheltering drift. The entombed party includes five Italians, two Slavs and four Americans. It was shortly before 1 o'clock today when thirteen men, the first shift, were lowered unsuspectingly into a living furnace that raged below them. The engineer in charge of the "skip" was equally oblivious of the fire that waited for its victims in the darkness below. A short, sharp signal to hoist was his first intimation of danger.