

**Explosion in a Coal Mine--Six Persons Killed.**

A terrible explosion occurred Monday at 3 o'clock P. M. in the Black Diamond Company's works at Nortonville, resulting in the loss of life to six persons and the burning of five others. The explosion was caused by the igniting of the dry coal dust which had accumulated in the chutes, crosscuts, breasts and gangways from a blast fired in one of the breasts. The names of the dead are Wm. Gethen, single; Meredith Lewis, leaves a wife and five children; George M. Reynolds, leaves a wife and three children; Daniel W. Griffith, leaves a wife; Theophilus Watts, single, dangerously burned and recovery doubtful; Theophelie Dumas. Thomas D. Davis, David Watts and Evans Smith, slightly burned, recovery probable; Thomas D. James, Harry Manwarring, Geocomo Larggo and Walkin Williams, asphyxiated, but will probably recover.

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