

## A Terrible Mine Accident in Consolidated Im- perial.

### The Bunker Hill Celebra- tion Yesterday.

#### ALL MANNER OF SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

##### A Frightful Mining Accident.

San Francisco, Sept. 17.—A Virginia City, Nevada, dispatch of the 17th, says: An accident at the Consolidated Imperial mine, resulted in the death of nine men and the dangerous hurting of another. The 3 o'clock shift were coming off, and the cage with 10 men upon it, had started for the surface, when the cable broke, precipitating them down the shaft 300 feet. Fourteen hundred feet of rope were piled upon them. Three men have been taken out, two of whom are dead. The others are not expected to live. It will be some hours before the others can be got out.

A Gold Hill, Nev., dispatch, says: Following are the names of those killed in the Consolidated Imperial last night:

John Roach, Patrick Murphy, Dick Ryder, Thos. Meagher, Matt. Winnie, Joseph Hannakan, Wm. Corbett, Geo. Farnham and Jerry Sullivan.

Most of the bodies are terribly mangled. Men were got out at 4 a. m. Roach talked rationally when found, but died when coming up the shaft. Frank Smith, the only man saved, is resting easy. He has no external injuries.

The cable broke at the reel and for some inexplicable cause, the safeties did not catch. The cable was the best English make,  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inches, in use only three months. Shaft was in charge of Ryder, pumpsman, and the pump shift was changing at the same time with the other shift. Ryder was on the under cage, on which was found an axe with the helve broken eight inches from the poll. The only explanation of the accident, is that the axe handle caught in the timbers, causing a strain which broke a cable. The engineer on duty, says however, everything appeared to be running smoothly when the cable broke.