

ENTOMBED MINERS RESCUED.

WILKESBARRE, Penn., Aug. 13.—Intense excitement was created last night at No. 3 colliery, operated by Pardee & Co., near Hazleton. Word was sent to the Superintendent that two miners, Bernard McMonagal and William Butler, were entombed in the mine by a massive fall of rock and coal, which had carried with it many props, shutting off all communication between the imprisoned men and the other miners in the slope. In a short time the news of the accident had spread, and soon nearly 400 men, women, and children had gathered about the mouth of the shaft anxiously awaiting news from below. A rescuing party was organized, and 100 men, bringing into requisition picks, shovels, and crowbars, set to work, and in about two hours had succeeded in removing 30 tons or more of débris, when the voices of the entombed men could be heard. An hour later they were reached and were brought to the surface in an exhausted condition, having been rescued just in time to save their lives.

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