

## **SLOWLY SUFFOCATED.**

### **How the Victims of the Giant Powder Explosion at Bull Domingo Mine Met Death.**

DENVER, Nov. 15.—A Silver Cliff special to the *News* says: The removal of the dead miners from the Bull Domingo mine began at 6 o'clock last night, the last being brought to the surface about midnight. Robert McGregor and Tom Armstrong alternated in going down to the 500-foot shaft. The rope was attached to pulleys to let the brave men down. A corpse was bound to the rope, and then the guide stood with his foot in a loop of the rope, with both arms encircling the dead body, and was brought to the surface by a steady pull. The victims were probably suffocated within an hour of the explosion, the corpses being stiff and cold when found, with hats and coats pulled over faces in a vain struggle for life. Westfall and Lauba left short letters, the former to his sister, assigning his insurance in a benevolent society to her and two orphan nieces. The latter wrote to his parents and wife. The caving in of the shaft necessitated the removal of more than 50 feet of debris; hence the delay of 30 hours in the recovery of the bodies. Determined threats of lynching Superintendent Foss are indulged in, and no doubt would have been put in effect last night had not prominent citizens gone to the mine and induced the infuriated relatives and friends of the dead to stay their rash intentions until the fact could be settled that Foss deserved such a fate. Coroner Burk called an inquest to-day, swore in a jury, identified the bodies, and adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.