## Awful Accident Near Lock Haven.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., November 4.-There was an explosion in the Kettle Creek coal mining company's mines, about thirty miles west of this city, which were but recently opened. The explosion occurred in a new drift in which twenty-one persons were at work. As soon as possible after the explosion the mine was enterred and fifteen dead bodies were carried out and four others badly injured were found, one of whom has since died and the others are likely to die. The cause of the explosion is unknown but is supposed to have been brought about by striking a fissure or pocket of gas. This afternoon the disfigured body of a miner was found fifty feet from the mouth of the air shaft through which it had been blown. The names of the dead, so far as learned, are: Samuel Killinger, Park Donnelly, Michael Curran and the three Carlston brothers. The others were Hungarians and Italians and their names are not known.

PHILADELPHIA, November 4.—A special to the Press from West Point gives the following names of the killed in the Kettle Creek coal mine disaster: Angust Piersons, Mike Curran, P. F. Donley, Samuel Killinger, Charles Aluman, John Carlsen, John Anderson, Stephen Plateo. Other names not known. The Press special also says among the rumors is one that the explosion was caused by the inexperienced use of dynamite, a hundred sticks of which were purchased by an Italian, but was unable to get a fuse and it is supposed he tried to set it off in some other way. Wesley Smoke and John and Aaron Anderson are badly injured but will recover.

RENOVA, Pa., November 5.—Following are the names of the men killed by the explosion at the Kettle Creek mine Saturday evening: Charles Alman, aged 27 years; John Anderson, 20; John Beckus, 28; Aaron Carlston, 35; Stephen Beckus, 22; John Carlson, 25; Dom Closky, 40; Michael Curren, 37, leaves widow and eight children; Patrick Donley, 55, leaves widow and seven children; Michael Marcy, 22; Sylvester Marcy, 19; George M. Ellete, 52; Martin Pierson, 30; Maurice Yanks, 27, and two unknown.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., November 5.—An inquest was held this afternoon on the bodies of the seventeen victims of the Kettle Creek mine explosion. The testimony of the witnesses shows that dynamite caused the explosion, but no blame is attached to any one except the miners themselves.

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