

## **ONE FORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCE.**

**Most of the Miners Were Saved by  
Being Absent at Dinner When the  
Explosion Occurred.**

Steubenville, Nov. 20.—(Special.)--There is one fortunate circumstance connected with the horrible disaster at the Blanche mine and that is that nearly all the men, forty-eight in number, were at dinner when the explosion occurred. None who were in the shaft or near it escaped death or injury and had the explosion occurred a few minutes before or after it did the list of killed and injured would have been multiplied.

The explosion set off some cans of blasting powder in the mine, which added to its fierceness and the works were badly wrecked.

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