

FULL OF GAS.

Luke Fidler Mine Cannot be Opened Yet.

The tests made at the burning Luke Fidler mine at Shamokin Wednesday were somewhat of a disappointment to the company's officials and the mining experts as it was found that it would be absolutely impossible to open up the water level tunnel for some time. The gas escaping from all the mine openings is very strong and extinguished the lights in all of the tests made. It will now be necessary to wait until the workings of No. 2 slope have been filled with water before entering the water level tunnel can be thought of and it will require fifteen or twenty days to accomplish this. The company is now placing a pump in position below Springfield in order to pump the waste water from that point into the new shaft. This pump will catch all of the waste water between Coal Run and Springfield.