

TABLE No. 4.—List of fatal accidents that occurred in and about the mines of the Fourth Anthracite Mine District, for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of accident.	Number of accident.	Name of Person.	Occupation.	Number of orphans.		Name of Colliery.	Location.	Nature and Cause of Accident.
				Age.	Widow.			
Jan. 14,	1	Patrick Conway, .....	Laborer, .....	30	.....	South Wilkes-Barre, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Instantly killed by a blast in coal. Condy Gaffeny was injured at the same time.
15,	2	Charles Schreuder, .....	Miner, .....	45	1 4	Shaft No. 4, .....	Plymouth, .....	Both instantly killed by a large fall of top coal. John Kytinsley was severely injured, and William Wicht was slightly injured at the same time.
16,	3	Andrew Schwernevic, .....	Laborer, .....	26	1			
22,	4	Mike Frost, .....	Laborer, .....	24	.....	Slope No. 4, .....	Nanticoke, .....	Instantly killed by a fall of top coal in a breast.
31,	5	Joseph Shupula, .....	Laborer, .....	27	.....	Shaft No. 1, .....	Nanticoke, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of top coal. Died February 3d.
Feb. 6,	5	Joseph Cragle, .....	Laborer, .....	45	1 6	West End, .....	Mocanaqua, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of coal. Died on the way home. John Gable was severely injured at the same time.
18,	7	Thomas McGrane, .....	Laborer, .....	35	.....	Maffet, .....	Sugar Notch, .....	Killed by a fall of rock roof at face of gangway.
26,	8	Henry Beddoe, .....	Driver, .....	17	.....	Shaft No. 2, .....	Nanticoke, .....	Fatally injured from a kick by a mule.
29,	9	Hugh Williams, .....	Laborer, .....	27	.....	Franklin, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Fatally injured by a premature blast. John W. Jones was injured by same explosion.
Mar. 3,	10	Daniel Reid, .....	Miner, .....	54	1 8	Shaft No. 2, .....	Plymouth, .....	Killed by a fall of coal in breast on Bennett seam.
5,	11	Thomas Urick, .....	Miner, .....	34	1 2	Tunnel No. 6, .....	Glen Lyon, .....	Killed by a fall of top rock at face of breast.
6,	12	John Jones, .....	Footman, .....	20	.....	Bliss, .....	Hanover, .....	With a loaded car he fell from the Ross to Red Ash seam in the shaft, and was instantly killed.
12,	13	Constine Bitleyeskie, .....	Miner, .....	38	1	Shaft No. 1, .....	Nanticoke, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of rock from roof. Died on the way home.

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Mar. 24,	14	William Wark, .....	Runner, .....	19			Franklin, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Fatally injured by having been crushed between cars at foot of slope. Died on the way home.
25,	15	Andrew Hido, .....	Miner, .....	28			Shaft No. 1, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Fatally burned by an explosion of gas in an old breast. Died on the 26th.
April 1,	16	Henry Bennett, .....	Driver, .....	21			Shaft No. 8, .....	Sugar Notch, .....	Bennett fatally injured. Burke instantly killed by an explosion of gas in the Twin Seam, fired by Henry Lloyd, who was severely burned. Thomas Hoskings was also painfully injured.
1,	17	Thomas Burke, .....	Door tender, .....	17					
13,	18	Arthur Gollightly, .....	Bratticeman, ..	30	1	4	Woodward, .....	Plymouth twp, .....	Fatally injured by an explosion of gas, which was caused by a mine fire. There were four others more or less severely injured. Gollightly died the next morning.
15,	19	Molick Addude, .....	Slate picker, ..	15			Nottingham, .....	Plymouth, .....	Killed by having been crushed between railroad cars near the breaker.
20,	20	Ignats Rushinski, .....	Miner, .....	44	1	5	West End, .....	Mocanqua, .....	Instantly killed by a fall of rock and coal.
23,	21	Henry Reider, .....	Driver, .....	21			West End, .....	Mocanqua, .....	Fatally injured by having been crushed between cars. Died five hours after.
24,	22	John G. Brisbin, .....	Miner, .....	45	1	2	Warrior Run, .....	Warrior Run, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of coal. Died on reaching home.
28,	23	John Llewlyn, .....	Footman, .....	19			Franklin, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Instantly killed by having been struck by a rope on slope.
25,	24	John Swisko, .....	Not employed, ..	20			Red Ash No. 2, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Killed by a fall of rock while in the mine with another man learning the work.
May 13,	25	Alexander Machusky, .....	Driver, .....	14	8		Maxwell, .....	Ashley, .....	Leg crushed between cars. Died from shock when his leg was amputated May 14th.
27,	26	Ebenezer Llewelyn, .....	Miner, .....	53	1	7	Shaft No. 3, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Instantly killed by a premature blast.

June	1.	27	Anthony Reposick, .....	Laborer .....	36	1	1	Wanamie No. 18, .....	Wanamie, .....	Killed by having been crushed between a car and prop when riding up the slope in contravention of the law.
	2.	28	Frank Cooney, .....	Miner .....	50	1	3	Maffet, .....	Sugar Notch, .....	Killed by a fall of rock in a breast in the Marsden seam.
	5.	29	Richard Lloyd, .....	Miner, .....	35	1	6	No. 3 S. Wilkes-Barre, ..	S. Wilkes-Barre, ..	He, together with a large piece of rock, fell down a steep-pitching place, and he was fatally injured and died the following day.
	15.	30	George Bankus, .....	Driver, .....	18			Avondale, .....	Plymouth twp., .....	Knee severely crushed between cars, died in a few hours.
	16.	31	Daniel Carr, .....	Driver, .....	18			Gaylord, .....	Plymouth, .....	Crushed between a car and rib; died in a few minutes.
	16.	32	James McMullen, .....	Driver, .....	20			New No. 5 shaft, .....	Plymouth, .....	Head struck against the roof when riding on a car. Skull fractured; died the same evening.
	18.	33	Henry Lowe, .....	Oiler, .....	15			Hillman Vein Breaker, ..	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Killed. Caught in the screen shaft in the breaker.
	25.	34	James Bailey, .....	Miner, .....	52	1	1	Dorrance, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Killed by a runaway car on a slope. Had gone out from his working place and was sitting at bottom of slope.
	29.	35	Miles E. Miles, .....	Timberman, ..	33	1	3	Shaft No. 4, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Fell a depth of thirty-five feet from a platform in the shaft while working on the brattice.
July	8.	36	John Kasulas, Jr., .....	Laborer, .....	23			Wanamie No. 19, .....	Wanamie, .....	Fatally injured by a premature blast. It exploded while it was being charged. Died July 9th.
	10.	37	Wm. R. Evans, .....	Miner, .....	24			Woodward, .....	Plymouth twp., ..	Fatally burned by an explosion of gas which accumulated while a door was open. Died July 22d.
	11.	38	Edward Hughes, .....	Miner, .....	49	1	4	Hollenback, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Injured by a fall of bony coal in the Red Ash seam. Died July 19th.
	15.	39	Michael Cushco, .....	Laborer, .....	60	1	4	Sugar Notch washery, ..	Sugar Notch, .....	Drawn through a chute and was fatally injured. Died at the hospital July 19th.
	21.	40	Jacob Koshinski, .....	Laborer, .....	47	1	4	Alden No. 2, .....	Alden, .....	Instantly killed by a blast. It exploded when he and miner were returning, thinking the squib had missed.
	23.	41	William Novashella, ..	Slatepicker .....	23			Breaker No. 4, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Fatally injured on railroad after working hours. Died July 24th at the hospital.
Aug.	4.	43	John Blash, .....	Laborer, .....	25			Empire, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Killed by a rush of coal in the chute in a breast on the Skidmore seam.
	5.	42	Adam Matsavage, .....	Miner, .....	23			Alden No. 1, .....	Alden, .....	Instantly killed by a fall of coal at face of breast.
	11.	44	John Gerlishki, .....	Laborer, .....	23			Reynolds No. 16, .....	Plymouth, .....	Both fatally burned by an explosion of nearly a full keg of powder; both died on August 13.
	11.	45	Wm. Bambrick, .....	Doortender, ..	15			Reynolds No. 16, .....	Plymouth, .....	
	11.	46	Llewelyn P. Owens, .....	Miner, .....	28	1	4	Dodson, .....	Plymouth, .....	Severely burned by an explosion of gas which accumulated below a wall in a heading. Died at the hospital August 14th.

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Aug. 15,	47	John H. Flynn, .....	Asst. foreman, .....	38	1	9	Franklin, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Fatally burned by an explosion of gas while making changes in the course of the air current. He was using naked lights. Jos. F. Hughes and James Monaghan were burned at the same time. Flynn died August 17th.
19,	48	Patrick Moore, .....	Miner, .....	30	1	.....	Baltimore No. 2, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....	Fatally burned by an explosion of gas in an abandoned breast. Died August 21st.
24,	49	Joseph Shonkoski, .....	Laborer, .....	43	1	3	Baltimore No. 3, .....	Wilkes-Barre twp., .....	Killed by a piece of coal thrown from a blast. Exposed himself, against the order of the miner.
26,	50	John H. Smale, .....	Doortender, .....	16	.....	.....	Slope No. 4, .....	Nanticoke, .....	Fatally injured by cars. Died soon after reaching home.
31,	51	John Quinn, .....	Driver, .....	19	.....	.....	Shaft No. 3, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Killed by falling under a car when un-hitching his mule.
Sept. 2,	52	Martin Pluto, .....	Miner, .....	51	1	6	Alden, .....	Alden, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of top coal; died September 4th.
8,	53	John T. Morgan, .....	Driver, .....	18	.....	.....	Nottingham, .....	Plymouth, .....	Killed by stepping off the cage when descending the shaft; he fell a depth of 82 feet.
14,	54	Morgan Evans, .....	Oiler, .....	17	.....	.....	Woodward breaker, .....	Plymouth twp., .....	Clothing caught by a revolving shaft and killed.
Oct. 2,	55	Thomas D. Jones, .....	Runner, .....	21	.....	.....	Shaft No. 2, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Killed. Struck by a rope at head of plane.
14,	56	Edward Williams, .....	Doortender, .....	16	.....	.....	Shaft No. 3, .....	S. Wilkes-Barre, .....	Killed. Hitching plate broke, which caused a car to run back on slope, which ran upon him at the bottom.
14,	57	Richard Pollard, .....	Miner, .....	53	1	4	Shaft No. 3, .....	Plymouth, .....	Instantly killed by a fall of rock when he was prying down Foot seam.
17,	58	Valentine Dipko, .....	Laborer, .....	26	.....	.....	Shaft No. 4, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	Fatally injured by a fall of rock in the breast, and died October 18th.

	36.	59	John Roman, .....	Signaller, .....	16		Alden, .....	Alden .....	Killed. Head crushed between top rail of cars when uncoupling at foot of slope.
	29.	60	John D. Joseph, .....	Ass. foreman, ..	53	1			Joseph and Jones were killed by after-damp while trying to rescue the others after an explosion of gas. Worth, Lacey, Owens and Herron were killed by the explosion. The last three were together making room for an air bridge and Worth was there to see that the work was being properly done. At 1 P. M., when firing a blast in the rock, an explosion of gas took place, killing the four instantly. (See report). Killed by a fall of coal from the rib in a breast. Instantly killed by a fall of rock at face of a breast in the Red Ash seam. Tried to knock a prop out and the roof fell on him, fatally injuring him. He died the same night. Fatally injured by a blast which fired when he was close by. Died November 16th. Killed by top coal. He was prying the lower bench, when the upper one fell on him. Spine fractured by a fall of top rock. Died November 29th. Fatally injured by a fall of rock on gangway, through the gross carelessness of the miner. Partially asphyxiated by smoke from a fire in the mine. He fell unconscious and his lamp set his clothing on fire. He was brought out alive, but died from shock four days after.
	29.	61	William R. Jones, .....	Fire boss, .....	52	1			
	29.	62	Joseph Worth, .....	Fire boss, .....	48	1			
	29.	63	William D. Lacey, .....	Contractor, .....	44	1			
	29.	64	Thomas Owen, .....	Miner, .....	35	1			
	29.	65	James Herron, .....	Miner, .....	33	1			
	30.	66	Mike Evans, .....	Laborer, .....	31		Shaft No. 1, .....	Edwardsdale, .....	
Nov.	2.	67	Anthony Shimiskie, ....	Laborer, .....	35	1	2	Warrior Run, .....	Warrior Run, .....
	9.	68	Anthony Kewalskie, ...	Laborer, .....	35	1	3	Shaft No. 2, .....	Nanticoke, .....
	13.	69	Charles Rice, .....	Miner, .....	35	1	3	Stanton, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....
	16.	70	John W. Boyce, .....	Miner, .....	27			Parrish, .....	Plymouth, .....
	23.	71	Thomas Emlyn, .....	Laborer, .....	45			Woodward, .....	Plymouth twp., .....
Dec	11.	72	Frank Shost, .....	Laborer, .....	34	1	3	Tunnel No. 6, .....	Glen Lyon, .....
	21.	73	Mike Kushinski, .....	Laborer, .....	25			Baltimore No. 2, .....	Wilkes-Barre, .....