

THIRTEEN MINERS KILLED.

Fatal Explosion in Mine No. 20 at Bonanza, Arkansas.

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 25.—Thirteen miners were killed and great damage was done by an accidental explosion of gas yesterday in coal mine No 20 at Bonanza, Ark., twelve miles from this city. At nightfall only six of the victims had been recovered. When the explosion occurred there were about 175 men in the various shafts. All escaped without injury, except the thirteen who were employed in entry "K," the scene of the explosion. The force of the explosion was terrific, and timbers were torn from the walls of the passages for several hundred yards at the mouth of entry "K." The passages were so completely obstructed that the work of rescuing the entombed men was tedious in the extreme, and several hours were consumed before the first body was found.

It is thought that the gas was accidentally ignited by a miner's lamp. The miners who escaped with the aid of others, summoned from nearby shafts, immediately set about clearing the passages in the vain hope that some of the entombed men might have survived the explosion.

Fell 1,000 Feet to Death.

Dubois, Penna., Nov. 25.—While three miners were in an elevator cage at Mine No. 2, of the Buffalo and Susquehanna Coal Co., about noon yesterday, control of the machinery was lost, and the cage and men were precipitated to the bottom, a distance of 1,000 feet. The men were killed almost instantly. They were married and leave families.