

## MINERS' DEATH SURE.

If Any in Clyde Mine Are Not Now  
Lifeless They Will  
Starve.

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FREDERICKTOWN, Pa., Oct. 14.—Al-  
most all hope of rescuing the six men  
imprisoned in the Clyde mine has been  
abandoned. If they have survived they  
will starve to death before help can  
reach them. There is slight chance that  
they have air.

The fire is still burning in the main  
entrance, 1,650 feet from the pit mouth,  
and all efforts to force a safe passage  
around it have proved fruitless. To-  
night General Manager James Gwigan, of  
Pittsburg, gave orders to begin fighting  
the fire from the front with a line of  
water. When the flames can be subdued,  
possibly in two days, the search for  
bodies will be made. The struggle ahead  
may take a week or more.

At a conference of mine experts to-day  
it was decided that it was too hazardous  
to try stopping the entry and digging a  
way round the fire; that there was al-  
most no hope of finding the six miners  
alive, and that the company might try  
throwing water directly against the  
flames, using extreme caution.

The cause of the disaster is still a mys-  
tery as the electric wire theory has been  
discarded. Probably the blaze started  
from a light dropped by some miner. So  
far as contracts are concerned Manager  
Gwigan says the company can secure  
plenty of coal to fill them. The three  
drivers, Kelly, Harvey and Marsh, lost  
their lives through heroic efforts to save  
others.

Noffy, one of the imprisoned miners,  
has a wife and three children. Lorenzo  
has a wife and one child. The scenes at  
the homes of all the missing men were  
pitiful. It will require a day or two to  
tell the extent of the fire and perhaps a  
week to recover the bodies. Three more  
men are missing.