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Bluefield, W. Va., Jan. 6.—Mining operations were practically suspended in the Elkhorn Valley yesterday on account of the Coaldale coal mine disaster, in which twenty-three miners lost their lives. All the victims were rescued from the mine yesterday morning and their funerals were held at Mount Taber, Pocahontas and Cooper in the afternoon.

The larger operations are located in the Elkhorn Valley and there were immense throngs in attendance at each of the three burying grounds, where the victims were laid to rest.

The owners of the mine are still unable to estimate their loss on account of western drift mouths having been banked up with tons of earth, coal and mine props, blown there by the explosion.

The mine is being flooded with water and there is no drainage. Until this condition is relieved it will be impossible to enter that part of the mine or ascertain the exact damage done.

The mine entry, or eastern part of the mine, however, is now in a perfectly safe condition, and the men are expected to resume work in that portion tomorrow. In view of the flooded condition of the "Crackerneck" portion of the mine, it is not probable that fire will be found on examination.