

MINE BLAST KILLS AND MAIMS

Spark Drops from Pipe Into Keg of Powder in Kansas Colliery.

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 21.—In an explosion in mine No. 1 of the Fidelity Coal company at Stone City, two miners were killed and fifteen others badly burned. Five kegs of powder taken into the mine by a party of seventeen men exploded at the bottom of the mine as the men were leaving the cage. The killed are: Oliver Cotteross and John Day, both of Stone City.

It is supposed a spark dropped from a pipe one of the men was smoking into one of the open kegs of powder. The mine at the bottom was badly wrecked.