

ABANDONED IN MINE

Man Injured By Explosion Undiscovered For Eleven Hours After Miner Flees

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Abandoned by his miner, following an accident, Andrew Marashak, a laborer at No. 14 Pennsylvania colliery and a resident of Hilldale, lay in the mine unattended and undiscovered for eleven hours several nights ago. Mine and State authorities have been investigating and have found that the miner, John Kuroski, of Miner's Mills, evidently believed that his laborer had been killed by a tardily fired shot, and thereupon was so frightened that he fled, not only the mine but the region. He returned home yesterday.

It is understood that he had warned his laborer not to go back into the chamber after a shot had failed to explode. But the laborer went, the charge exploded and the laborer was partly buried under debris. The miner found him prostrate and apparently lifeless. He wrapped a sweater about Marashak's head and then left the mine without notifying anybody, so far as has been learned. The accident occurred at 3:30 p. m. It was 2:30 a. m. before a fireboss, making his regular rounds, found the injured man. He was taken home. He has a fractured collar bone and barring the possibility of pneumonia developing as a result of his long exposure on the damp ground, he will probably recover.

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