

12 MINERS BURIED UNDER HUNDREDS OF FEET OF WATER IN WHARTON MINE

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ter Breaks Through Wall
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FOR THE NEXT DAY OR MORE**

By "The Courier's" Own Wire.

Hibernia, N. J., Oct. 20.—Buried be-
neath hundreds of feet of water 12
miners were drowned in one of the
Wharton Steel Company's mines near
here shortly after one o'clock this
morning. The victims had no chance
of escape. With a tremendous roar the
water broke through the wall of the pit
in which they were working and in a
few minutes the mine was flooded.

The dead:

FOREMAN DAVID SLAIGHT,
JOSEPH SWENTY,
GEORGE POLLICH,
ANDREW MISKOSHEK,
JOHN MANISTER,
PAUL KETRA,
JOSEPH SWINGIR,
MICHAEL NOJOK,
MICHAEL COMPUS,
STEPHEN MIDA,
GEORGE KORMUS,
JOSEPH PLOSKUNKA.

The shaft in which the accident oc-
curred is on the side of a mountain
literally honeycombed with abandoned
workings in which millions of tons of
water have collected. Only a thin wall
stood between the men and death and
an ill timed blast of dynamite shat-
tered the barrier and released the
flood.

As soon as the news of the accident
was known every man and woman in
this little town rushed to the scene.
In the chilly early morning, with the
rain falling in torrents, they clustered
helpless about the mouth of the shaft,
the weeping, hysterical women rela-
tives of the victims imploring the men
to do something but there was no hope
from the first.

The pumps were rigged as soon as
possible and willing hands have kept
them going without a moment's pause
but it will be a day or even longer be-
fore the mine can be emptied suf-
ficiently to permit the recovery of the
bodies.

The mine is owned by the Wharton
Steel Company, one of the few large
concerns which is not connected with
the United States Steel Corporation. It
was founded by the late Joseph Whar-
ton, of Philadelphia, and owns mining
interests in various parts of New Jer-
sey, Pennsylvania, New York and
other parts of the East. The Hiber-
nia mines have been operated for near-
ly a century.

ALSO TREATED AT

By "The Courier's" Own Wire.

Hyannis, Mass., Oct. 20.—"In
the midst of life we are in
death," said the country parson
to-day as he read the funeral
service at the grave of Avis
Linnell.

Avis Linnell's life and death
proved his assertion.

A simple country girl, as pure
as driven snow, a student in a
staid New England music con-
servatory, her life was unevent-
ful and safeguarded. She loved
and was happy. She was se-
cure. Her fiancée represented
the highest element in society.
She lived in the Y. W. C. A.

In the midst of protection like
this, every guard was placed
about her—came death.

HARRY DAVIS SURE TO MANAGE CLEVELAND

**"May Luck Go With Him"
Says Manager Sto-
vall**

SATISFIED WITH ALL ARRANGEMENTS

By "The Courier's" Own Wire.

Philadelphia, Oct. 20.—Stovall, act-
ing manager of the Cleveland Ameri-
cans, is the authority for the statement
that Harry Davis, captain of the
Philadelphia Athletics, will manage
the Naps next season. Tom
Noyes, president of the Washington
club, when he heard that Stovall
would be free, began negotiations with
Barnard, vice president of the Cleve-
land club, for an exchange between
McBride and Stovall. The deal is ex-
pected to go through. Stovall is per-
fectly satisfied with all the arrange-
ments and holds not the slightest ill
feeling toward the club owners or his