

# One Man Escapes Death by Clinging To Bar on Carriage

**Explosive Was Being Carried Into Mine By One of the Victims—Fourteen Men Said to Have Been on Cage When It Started on Fatal Trip—Law Allows But Ten—Investigating Cause of Accident by Officials of Company.**

Thirteen men were dropped 300 feet to their death at the Tripp shaft of the Diamond colliery in West Scranton at 6:25 o'clock this morning, when a quantity of dynamite being carried by one of the men blew the bottom from the carriage on which they were being lowered to their work. One man was saved, an instinctive fear leading him to cling to an iron rod on the carriage just before the explosion came.

The law allows only ten men at a time on a mine carriage. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company officials, while not denying that there were fourteen men on the cage this morning, say that it is barely possible that the concussion blew four men from the opposite carriage, which was ascending and was about sixty feet below.

## Miner rescued from Tripp shaft

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