
**A Missing Woman Found in a
Mine Singing Over Her Hus-
band's Dead Body.**

HER REASON WAS DETHRONED.

**Her Husband Had Been Crushed to
Death by a Fall of
Top Coal.**

HAZLETON, Pa., March 17.—John Traynor, a fire boss in one of the collieries in Schuylkill County, entered the mine about 3 o'clock Thursday morning to examine the chambers and test the gas. That was the last seen of him alive.

His young wife became alarmed at his absence and besought her neighbors to search the mine. A party was organized and twelve miners made a thorough search of the works, but without finding any trace of him.

When the news was broken to the wife she became distracted, and it was feared for a time she would go mad. She became strangely calm, however, in a short time, saying she was certain her husband would be found.

A few days later Mrs. Traynor disappeared. Search throughout the village failed to discover any trace of her, and it was finally supposed that the loss of her husband had unbalanced her mind and that she wandered off to the mountains. Her fate remained a mystery until last Monday, when a party of mine surveyors stumbled on the solution.

Entering an old breast close to the manway which forms the second opening of the mine they heard the sound of a voice in the darkness some distance beyond. They listened intently and were startled to recognize the voice as that of a woman softly

CROONING THE WORDS OF A LOVE SONG.

Summoning all their courage they crawled over the loose coal to the place where the voice proceeded, and by the light of their lamps beheld a wild-eyed woman holding in her lap the head of a man, apparently dead. She swayed gently from side to side while she sung.

The awe stricken men were about to retreat when one of them exclaimed: "My God, it's Mrs. Traynor."

Gently they lifted her up, then she raised a cry of despair and fainted.

She was brought to the surface at once and borne to her desolate home, followed by the dead body of her young husband. She is now a raving maniac.

It is supposed that when she disappeared she made directly for the manway and stumbled across the body of her husband, who had been caught by a fall of top coal on his way out, and the discovery turned her brain.

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