

### Miraculous Escape.

Des Moines, Iowa July, 22.—After an imprisonment of 110 hours in the Grand Junction coal mine, Charley Saunders, a miner, was released and rescued alive this afternoon. The mine in which he was working was flooded by the caving in of an old shaft near by last Monday morning. As the water rushed in the miners fled, and all escaped save the young man Saunders, who was cut off by the rising flood. Pumps were set to work, but one after another failed, and as day followed day it seemed impossible that the boy could be alive, even if he escaped drowning. The State Mine Inspector joined the rescuing party yesterday and took active charge of the pumps, and after continuous working at 4:45 p. m. today the water was lowered sufficiently to admit an entrance. The family of the imprisoned miner had given him up and expected only to find his lifeless body. But to the astonishment of all, the rescuers found in a distant air chamber a little corner walled up by dirt, and inside of it safe and sound, the young man who had been confined there without food or nourishment of any kind for 110 hours. The rising water had compressed the air in the little chamber about ten feet which he occupied and thus kept up a supply which sustained him. He complained of hunger but otherwise he was quite well. The town is wild tonight over his rescue, and his escape is regarded as one of the most marvelous on record.