

FIRES NEVER GO OUT

REMARKABLE INSTANCES IN OLD WORLD COAL MINES.

During More Than a Quarter of a Century Fire Existed in the Tawd Valley Collieries—Veritable Furnace Under Factory.

The terrible catastrophe in the Whitwick (Leicestershire) colliery has brought to light a fact that has been hitherto known only locally. Within that pit there has been a fire that has existed for a century, a fire that has defied all efforts directed at its extinction. This statement may appear almost incredible, but the incident is by no means so uncommon as it would appear. The writer is able to give instances of even more remarkable catastrophes.

In the Tawd Valley collieries at Birmersdale, a thickly seeded coal area, lying between Liverpool and Preston, there has just ceased to exist a fire that, breaking out in 1872, lasted until in December last the river Tawd, burning its banks, flowed into, flooded and ruined the whole colliery, and so extinguished the furnace.

Every known means had been tried years ago to get the upper hand of the blaze, but it had taken an unshakable hold of a rich seam and resisted every attempt at extinction. Once before a fire, in which several men were killed, had been extinguished, and the Tawd, diverted by artificial means from its normal course, was turned down the pit shaft. This served the purpose, but the damage done to the workings was enormous.

When, therefore, spontaneous combustion led to another big blaze, and it was found impossible to subdue it by ordinary means, it was necessary to resort to the more drastic method of flooding the mine with water. In a coal seam more insidious in its advance, more steady and persistent in its development, the fire, which had been extinguished, broke out again.

The struggle went on, year after year, until the necessary result of the furnace being allowed to burn in this manner, and for nearly a generation the walls were daily repaired. It was necessary to have reports as to the temperature, the condition of the brickwork and general surroundings submitted at each meeting of the directors.

Those whose duty it was to carry out this arduous task, and who were to be seen living fire till tales of most remarkable interest, and describe the scene as being one of the most fascinating and dangerous that they have ever seen. The fire, which had been extinguished, broke out again, and the walls, into the utter blackness of the mine, were seen to be burning.

Eventually the torrent-swollen Tawd burst past all bounds, and in enormous volumes into the colliery, flooded every inch of the mine, and the fire, which had been extinguished, broke out again, and the walls, into the utter blackness of the mine, were seen to be burning.

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base, and they now order gas again from the same source. The price of gas is 1.00 cubic feet. Sentiment would require that they should patronize the new company that has been formed, but the price of gas is 1.00 cubic feet. It is not for the new company, the people would have to pay \$3 instead of \$1.25 per cubic foot.

Business seems to indicate that the people should buy the gas where they could get it for the least, regardless of the source. The new gas company sells out to the old company and the price of gas is 1.00 cubic feet. The two companies agree to fix a rate at which both companies should sell gas, and then each company do all the business it can.

This case is a supposition, one, given to illustrate the proposition that the facts with which—known to be facts by the business men of Los Angeles.

The Southern Pacific company charged 4 cents a pound for freight, including lighterage, from Los Angeles to Santa Monica. The price of freight, including lighterage, and said so. The price of freight, including lighterage, and said so.

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The demise of the Los Angeles and Pacific railway, built a few years ago, is another illustration of "sentiment vs. business." as some of the enterprising business men of Los Angeles say.

A little later the Santa Fe system entered Southern California. This was a large railway system, and it was a competitor of the Southern Pacific. A little later the Santa Fe system entered Southern California.

Here again sentiment steps in and says "Patronize the Santa Fe." The business men say "Not much, I patronize the line that is cheapest." The result of this is that the Santa Fe system has been able to give the best service, for they found that the Santa Fe system was the cheapest.

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