

MINING NOTES.

As a result of an investigation of the supposed volcano on Sugar Loaf Mountain, Rowan County, Ky., it is thought that the smoke which comes from the seven fissures in the top of the mountain is caused by a burning coal mine, as a strong smell of coal and gas is noticeable.

A palace of coal, after the medieval type of architecture, will represent Indiana's mining industry at the St. Louis Exposition. The palace is to be built entirely of the best samples of Indiana's coal.

Cecil Webb, who has been driving in No. 11 mine, has accepted a position with the Crabtree Coal Co. at Hlsley.

Mr. Pat Blair left Monday on a visit to relatives and friends in Virginia.

The Royal Coal Company in drilling for coal near Madisonville struck No. 11 at depth of 112 feet from the surface. They are now drilling for No. 9, which is the strata they expect to work, and which they will strike by drilling seventy-five or eighty feet farther down.

Joseph Lanier, who is employed at the Nortonville coal mines, visited relatives here this week.

Henry Magenheimer of St. Charles visited his parents here this week.

The production of coal in the United States for 1903 was 73,300,000 tons of anthracite and 283,406,691 tons of bituminous coal valued at the mines at \$484,505,542.

Fourteen men were killed and two more injured in an accident at Stratton's Independence mine near Victor, Col., Tuesday.

Sixteen men were being hoisted in a cage from the seventh and eighth levels. When the cage reached the surface the engineer for some unexplained reason, was unable to stop the engine, and the cage with its load of human freight, was drawn up into the gallows, where it became lodged.

The two men that escaped became entangled in the timber rods near the top of the gallows frame and were rescued with great difficulty from their perilous position.

Mr. George Miller and his son-in-law who works with him on the air drill in No. 9 mine were injured Monday by a shot blowing through the pillar of a room into an adjoining one that they were in waiting for the shot to explode that they had lit.

Foreman Toombs and crew completed the new blacksmith shop at the Barnsley mine this week.

Supervisor Edmondson Resigns. W. C. Edmondson, who has been supervisor for the L. & N. at this place for some time, has resigned his position and will go with the Tennessee Central at Hopkinsville.

ENTOMBED BY A MINE EXPLOSION

One Hundred and Fifty Miners Entombed By an Explosion Near Cheswick, Pa.

TIPPLE MEN CAUGHT IN DEBRIS. TWO OF THEM FATALLY HURT.

Every Man Possible Being Worked to Clear a Passage to the Entombed Men, and Every Preparation Made For the Aid of Those Rescued.

Pittsburg, Jan. 26.—From all that can be gathered, between 180 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passageways of the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Co. at Cheswick, the result of a terrific explosion Monday.

In addition to the miners who were at work when the explosion occurred, it is now believed by practically all of the men of the rescue party who have come up the 220-foot vertical shaft for a warming and a breathing spell, that Selwyn M. Taylor, the Pittsburg mining engineer, who plotted the mine, and who was the first to reach the bottom after the explosion happened, is also now among the list of dead.

No Warning of the Explosion. The explosion occurred at 8:20 o'clock Monday morning, and the first warning was the sudden rumble underground, and then a sheet of flame followed up the deep shaft.

No Means of Rescue. As soon as the rumble of the explosion and the crash at the pit mouth startled the little village, the wives and children of the men below rushed to the scene of the disaster, but to gain no encouragement.

Three Efforts at Rescue Made. All day long there was a jam of waiting women and children about the mouth of the pit. There were calls for assistance and for surgical aid from the men in charge of the mine, but it was not until four o'clock Monday afternoon that the first attempt at rescue was made.

Extent of Catastrophe Unknown. H. F. Hutchinson, who gave out the lamps to the miners before they went to work in the pit Monday morning, said: "At 7:30 o'clock, the time when the whistles blew and when everyone is supposed to be at work in the mine, I had given out between 180 and 190 lamps."

\$775,000 PAID TO MRS. BLAIR. Representing the Amount of Insurance Carried by James L. Blair in the New York Life.

St. Louis, Jan. 26.—Checks for \$775,000, representing the amount of insurance carried by the late James L. Blair in the New York Life Insurance Co., were paid over to Mrs. Blair, as beneficiary, Monday afternoon.

Supreme Court Recess. Washington, Jan. 26.—The chief justice of the supreme court of the United States Monday announced that on next Monday the court would take a recess for three weeks.

Postmaster at Denver, Col. Washington, Jan. 26.—The president Monday sent to the senate the nomination of Paul J. Sours, postmaster at Denver, Col.

OTHERWISE UNNOTICED

Sentiment is said to be developing in congress to terminate the life of the Daves commission July 1, 1905.

A special agent of the Morales government in Santo Domingo has reached New York en route to Washington.

Dr. J. W. Harrimon, professor of anatomy at the Iowa state university, died, Monday, of appendicitis.

Gen. Chaffee has ordered the abolishing of the St. Louis powder depot and the merging of the property with that of Jefferson barracks.

The annual statement of the St. Louis clearinghouse shows a marked increase over the business transacted during 1902.

A decree issued by Pope Plus X. forbids women singing in choirs of Catholic churches. The decree has not yet reached this country.

July cotton sold as high at 16 cents a pound in New Orleans, Monday, and in New York it was quoted at 15 1/2 cents.

The commissioners of several European countries are gathered in Paris to arrange for the economical shipment of their exhibits to St. Louis.

The exports of codfish from St. Pierre, Miquelon, were the lowest last year for many years, and business is, consequently, in bad shape.

Heye Reindersa, a farmer, of Greenview, Ill., was killed there, Monday, by a Chicago & Alton train while he was walking on the tracks.

Secretary Root is preparing to turn over his portfolio to Secretary Taft, who is expected to each Washington, Wednesday afternoon.

Shiploads of relief supplies are being hurried from Denmark and Germany to Aalesund, Norway, which sustained a loss of \$5,000,000 by fire Saturday.

Chicago has been enjoined from enforcing the 75-cent gas ordinance, a federal court holding that the city has no right to fix the price.

The motion for a change of venue was denied to F. Seymour Barrington, at Clayton, Mo., who had to be assisted into the court room and appeared indifferent to the proceedings. His trial is set for February 23.

Sentiment among members of congress begins to favor the consolidation of Oklahoma and Indian territory and of New Mexico and Arizona and of the admission of two states.

The battleships Maine, Missouri and Iowa have been assigned to the battleship squadron of the North Atlantic fleet, and will sail from Hampton roads to join the rest of the squadron in the West Indies.

Rev. Silas W. Barr. Olin, Ill., Jan. 25.—Rev. Silas W. Barr died here Saturday night at seven o'clock. He was in his eighty-fourth year. He was one of the first settlers in this county, coming here with his parents from Tennessee in 1827, and had been a resident of Marion county ever since.

Thirty-Eight Tornado Victims. Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 25.—The total number of dead in the tornado of last Friday is 38, six of whom are white. The number of wounded is estimated at 65, 12 fatally. Citizens of Tuscaloosa are caring for the destitute.

Buildings Wrecked by Wind. Jamestown, Miss., Jan. 23.—Several buildings were badly wrecked by a windstorm between five and six o'clock, Thursday evening, and a few cars blown from the track. Lightning struck the office and feedhouse of the Jonestown oil mills.

For Confederate Pensions. Jackson, Miss., Jan. 22.—The lower house, by a unanimous vote, appropriated a quarter of a million dollars per annum for confederate pensions. This is an increase of \$100,000 over last year's appropriation.

George Washington's Sword. Washington, Jan. 26.—Senator McComas introduced a bill Monday appropriating \$5,000 for the purchase of Gen. George Washington's sword from his grandniece, Virginia Taylor Lewis.

Senator Hanna Improving. Washington, Jan. 27.—Senator Hanna, who is ill with the grip, was very much better Tuesday, but he must remain indoors for several days.

THE MARKETS. New York, Jan. 27. CATTLE—Native Steers... 3 75 @ 5 00. COTTON—Middling... 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2. FLOUR—Winter Wheat... 3 50 @ 4 75. WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 94 @ 95. CORN—No. 2... 25 1/2 @ 26 1/2. OATS—No. 2... 14 1/2 @ 15 00. PORK—Mess (new)... 14 50 @ 15 00. LARD—Western... 7 1/2 @ 7 70. ST. LOUIS. COTTON—Middling... 14 1/2 @ 15 1/2. BEEVES—Steers... 4 00 @ 5 50. CALVES—(per 100 lbs.)... 5 00 @ 7 00. HOGS—Fair to Choice... 4 40 @ 5 25. SHEEP—Fair to Choice... 2 25 @ 4 50. FLOUR—Winter Patents... 4 20 @ 4 40. Other Grades... 3 50 @ 4 30. WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 96 1/2 @ 97. CORN—No. 2... 25 @ 26. OATS—No. 2... 13 @ 14. RYE—No. 2... 30 @ 35. WOOL—Tub Washed... 20 @ 25. HAY—Clear Timothy... 10 00 @ 12 50. BUTTER—Choice Dairy... 14 @ 15. BACON—Clear Ribs... 12 @ 13. EDGE—Fresh... 25 @ 26. LARD—Choice Steam... 7 1/2 @ 7 50. PORK—Standard Mess (new)... 13 @ 13 85. KANSAS CITY. CATTLE—Native Steers... 4 00 @ 5 15. HOGS—Fair to Choice... 4 25 @ 5 15. WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 92 @ 93. CORN—No. 2 Mixed... 20 1/2 @ 21. OATS—No. 2 White... 13 @ 14. NEW ORLEANS. FLOUR—High Grades... 4 20 @ 4 30. CORN—No. 2... 25 @ 26. OATS—No. 2... 13 @ 14. PORK—Choice... 13 50 @ 14 25. LARD—Standard... 7 1/2 @ 7 50. BACON—Short Rib Sides... 11 @ 12. COTTON—MIDDLING. INDIANAPOLIS. WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 92 @ 93. CORN—No. 2 Mixed... 20 1/2 @ 21. OATS—No. 2 Mixed... 13 @ 14.

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CHARLES G. NUSSMIER,

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Jan. 11, 1904.

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Earlington, Ky.,

Jan. 11, 1904.

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