

A BOY'S ADVENTURE

DANGLING OVER DEATH IN
COAL MINE SHAFT.

True Story of a Pit Boy's Nerve—
Cage Suddenly Starts—Leg
Broken and Hand Crushed
—The Rescue.

There are numerous records of thrilling experiences and brave deeds in connection with coal mines, but this accident, which happened to a boy, is somewhat unique.

The hero of the incident is a pit boy in the Garth colliery, situated at Maesteg, in South Wales.

His duty is to mind the trams on top of the pit and see that they run properly on to the cage, in which men and materials are lowered into the mine.

On the day when the accident occurred, the boy was at his post as usual. A cask of water, with a hose attached, had been sent up in a tram and placed on the cage, to be lowered for the use of the mine horses.

A portion of the hose was hanging over the side of the cage, and the lad, noticing this considered that he would have ample time to put it right before the cage started on its downward journey. He stepped partly on to the cage, and stood with his right foot inside it, and his left on the staging at the pit head.

Suddenly the cage began to move. The boy gripped a projecting portion of the cage and clung to it, his left leg falling between the cage and the side of the shaft.

All might have gone well, but at a certain portion of the shaft the cage passes very close to some staging. Against this the unhappy boy in passing broke his leg.

Though in the greatest agony, the boy hung on.

It was his only chance. At this point, one of his companions saw what had happened. He signalled



THE UNHAPPY BOY IN PASSING BROKE HIS LEG.

to the engine-man to stop the cage, and it was brought to a standstill 130 yards from the starting point, with some suddenness.

The jerk caused the boy's left hand, by which he was clinging, to become jammed in the ropes by which the cage is worked.

He dared not let go, although in intense pain. His broken leg prevented him from climbing into the cage.

How was he to be rescued?

It was impossible to bring the cage to the surface again, since the boy's leg would catch in the staging which had already broken it, and he might be dashed to the foot of the shaft.

The difficulty was solved by a cool-headed pitman.

He climbed down the guide ropes and pulled the suffering lad into the cage.

Both were then brought to the surface, when the lad's injuries were attended to.

He said that he was not frightened, although he hung over a shaft 300 yards deep.

He knew exactly what was happening, and remembers everything that took place.

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An important compact, unwritten, has been made at Chicago between the lumber and grain vessel unloaders, the ore shovelers and the stevedores and the lake pilots. These men, who are so essential to the vessel owners as time savers, have agreed not to handle any cargo, on or off a boat, during the

coming season, which does not ship with first and second mate both in good standing. This is one of the most determined stands ever taken for a union shop.

A strike which was inaugurated in a shoe factory at Rochester, N. Y., eight months ago is still on. One of the novel features of the strike occurred last week, when the firm declared that they could no longer stand the very poor class of work which was being turned out; that a big percentage of the work shipped was being returned and that in the future better work must be in evidence. About a dozen of the non-unionists took umbrage at the assertion and quit work, but other scabs were found to take their places.

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The Opening of the Shoshone Reservation

Reached by the Chicago & Northwestern Railway.

The land of profitable opportunity still lies open to the homesteader.

The Western frontier is rapidly disappearing, but the homesteader and settler still finds an occasional opportunity to pick up a quarter section of Government land. One of the last chances of this kind will be given by Uncle Sam when the Wind River or Shoshone Indian Reservation lands are thrown open to the homesteaders some time this summer.

This tract of something over a million acres is situated in central Wyoming, just east of the Jackson Hole country and the Yellowstone Park forest reserve.

In the mountains, elk, bear, deer and other wild game have been most abundant. It has been without railroad facilities in the past, but The Wyoming & Northwestern Railway is now rapidly laying rails across Wyoming from Casper, the present terminus of the North-Western Line, to Shoshoni, the new town which has sprung up since the reservation opening has been announced and to Lander in the Lander Valley, one of the richest spots in Wyoming, where numerous small irrigated farms produce forty to forty-five bushels of wheat, two hundred bushels of potatoes, and sixty bushels oats to the acre.

This new line of railway opens up millions of acres of sheep and cattle range, where the rich buffalo grass and gramma grass make the best pasturage on earth, curing like grain, so that stock will fatten on it in the fall.

The new line passes through Wolton, one of the biggest original wool shipping points in the world, and will be completed to Shoshoni within the next sixty days or less.

Shoshoni is two and one-half miles from the reservation border, and here and at Lander the Government will probably establish land offices for registration when the Indian lands are thrown open.

The Reservation has been inhabited by a docile, law-abiding people, who are engaged in farming in a small way. The most of them have taken up land by allotment, preparatory to abandoning the reservation, and the government is encouraging the leasing of these Indian farms, which are very choice lands, to white farmers.

The State of Wyoming controls the waters of Wind River and Little Wind River, and the State engineers are making surveys and preparing for irrigation projects under State supervision, by which a large proportion of the reservation will be placed under water and thereby made very valuable. Agriculture here without irrigation is practically out of the question, and such lands as do not come under the proposed ditch will be used for grazing lands, for which purpose they are without a superior.

If the State builds the irrigating canals now proposed, it will give an opportunity for newcomers and settlers to secure work.

A large movement of people West is predicted when the rates for the Shoshone opening are placed in effect.

The fortunate settler who secures one of these quarter sections will get his land at a cost of about \$1.50 per acre, payable in easy installments, covering a period of several years. This, of course, does not include cost of water rights on such lands as are to be irrigated.

The Passenger Department of the Chicago & North-Western Railway announces that the opening of the Wind River or Shoshone reservation public lands in Wyoming has been postponed until August 15, 1906, by joint resolution of congress.

Railroad construction to the Reservation border is being pushed rapidly, and will probably be completed within a few weeks.

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