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Story of Thrilling Rescue of "The Man in the Well" After Being Buried One Hundred Hours

Told by Himself, His Doctor and Contractor Carnie

GRIM BATTLE FOR LIFE WAS WON ON SATURDAY

Joshua Sanford, Excepting a Few Aches, is None the Worse for His Awful Experience.



placed in a bed the young fellow sank into a sleep from which he did not awaken until this morning. From the moment he was placed in bed he was carefully attended by two trained aurses. The doctors had provided all these details the day before. While his sleep was peaceful, he moaned a great deal, and several words were uttered during his slumber that indicated that his mind was still in the cavern from which he had been so miraculously rescued. He was much refreshed, however, this morning, and partook of a light repast of eggs and toast. Then his sisters were admitted to his bedroom, and they were with him for an lour. He talked little to them, but kept his hand constantly on their faces while they sat near. The doctor had forbidden him to talk. He chafes under this restraint and insists that he is perfectly well and should be permitted to talk and eat as he wishes.

STILL VERY WEAK.

In spite of the extraordinary vitality he has exhibited thru the terrible ordeal, Sanford is in a very weak condition. The doctors are a unit in the opinion that he was fast succumbing to the foul air and exhaustion incident to the mental and physical strain. He could not have stood the torture another day.

The story of the entombed man and the incidents surrounding his rescue form one of the most amazing recitals in the history of peculiar adventures. If there is a parallel, the newspapers of the country never heard of it. Tues day afternoon he was working around the old well, the scene of the accident. placed in a bed the young fellow sank any less effort would not have acting a sleep from which he did not lished it. swaken until this morning. From the DOCTORS ON THE SPOT,

the old well, the scene of the accident. At 10 minutes to 2 he was in the hole, when the walls caved in. Work was commenced hurriedly, and kept up with the hope of rescue until Thursday afternoon. Taen another sinking took place in the old well's surface, the tapping on the pipe from below ceased, and the people supposed the life was crushed out of Sanford. They quit work, and the crowds departed.

SAVED BY A MIRACLE.

INDOMITABLE DETERMINATION.

While few thought the man would be rescued from the wreck of the old well, all were determined to do everything possible to save him. It was this indomitable determination of the crowd of workers that finally accomplished of workers that finally accomplished the result for which all strived. While hundreds of people worked unceasingly and probably half as many were at different times in danger of death in the new well, five names stand out prominently in the work of rescue as indicating where the greatest praise should be bestowed:

JOHN CARNIE.

Late in the day a farmer wandered over the spot, contemplating with some interest the pile where lay buried alive a man he had known. He went close

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but his foot was held fast. It was this physicians. member that caused the most stubborn fight. For 24 hours many men worked JOSHUA SANFORD'S STORY to release Sanford's foot. Saturday afternoon, when in the most imminent danger, the foot was suddenly released Here is the remarkable story from and the man hauled to the top of the the man's own lips, told at different well. He was safe after a hundred times: well. He was safe after a hundred hours of the most agonizing torture ever endured by a human being—a torture made more refined by renewed hope, succeeded by the blackness of despair, as the well would cave in further and send the struggling man lower down into the depths of the 86 foot well. The doctors even thought of administering morphine to the man and cutting off his foot, or attaching his body to the steam hoisting machinery,



Chief Actor in Rescue

is none the worse for the peril of the past week. In fact, he declared yesterday, after being taken from the well, that he wanted to sit up and talk with his friends. This the doctors refuse to permit. The physicians state, however, that he will probably be as well as usual within a week or so.

TOOK A LONG SLEEP.

Thousands of feet of lumber were consumed in cribbing the shaft of the new well, quantities of from were used, a portable forge was brought to the scene along with a steam engine, and plans were made for the man's relief on a gigantic scale. Special religious services for the preservation of Joshua Sanford were a feature of the incidents around the tomb, and altogether the activity manifested was most extraordinary. Still, the situation required just such exertions if the life of the imprisoned man were to be saved, and

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interest the pile where lay buried alive a man he had known. He went close to the well, and thought he heard a faint tapping from below. Listening, he was convinced that the man still lived, and he rushed to town for ald. The man had evidently fainted after the second cave-in, and, therefore, did not reply to the signals from above. When he revived he began to signal again, and it was this noise that once more brought rescuers to the seene. The work was pushed with vigor, 200 or 300 men working in relief gangs.

A day later, Friday, about 11 o'clock, the diggers discovered the man. Late in the afternoon they uncovered him, but his foot was held fast. It was this physicians.

ROBERT HAMILTON.

GEORGE WENTWORTH.

Of these Carnie is the man who first found Sanford, and Doyle is given credit for actually lifting the prisoner from the bed of brick and dirt in which he had so long reclined. In broken sentences Joshua Sanford has told the story to-day of his awful experience while being slowly crushed to death in the well and waiting for the rescuers, whom he could hear at work near him. His thin, white face, the masked with an expression of almost studied indifference, indicated clearly the torture he endured during his hundred hours of confinement. He taked freely to John Carnie and others during the 24 hours after they reached him and before he was actually brought to the surface, tho he has talked less since being placed in the hands of the physicians.

AS TOLD BY HIS OWN LIPS



with by quicksand. I knew it was dangerous. While at the bottom of the well I observed the pipe rapidly disappearing into the depth below. I realized that a cave-in was imminent, and signalled to be drawn up. I had been raised perhaps 30 feet. My leg was run thru a loop in the rope. Then came a crash, and I feit the well close over me.

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"I don't think I was rendered unconscious, tho I had received a terrible blow on the head and I could feel the blood flowing freely. I rubbed sand into the hole to stop the bleeding. Somehow I was not being crushed, as I had expected, but the bricks were pressing around me loosely. I could move my hands and feet freely. I tapped on the pipe with the hope of informing those above that I was still, alive. I was afraid they would think me killed and make no effort to relieve me. I could hear everything plainly that was said above. The pipe brought down the sound, but I am told they could not hear me. I heard them start to work, but fearing they would never be able to reach me I began to tunnel thru the dirt toward the top.

"I would proceed in this way; II passed the bricks close around me toward my feet, then lowering my head to a sitting position I would reach up again. I repeated this plan for a long time. I don't know how long, but I believe I went up 10 or 15 feet. During the time they were trying to signal to me, I tried to tell them how deep I thought I was down by getting them to lower a string thru the pipe with a nall attached, and when it got down to me I would tell them and then they could measure the string. This I could not do Finally, when I pulled a brick from above there was another roar, and the whole mass beneath me gave way. I must have been carried back as far as I climbed. I think the work I had been doing caused the second cave-in.

CHOKED BY BRICKS:

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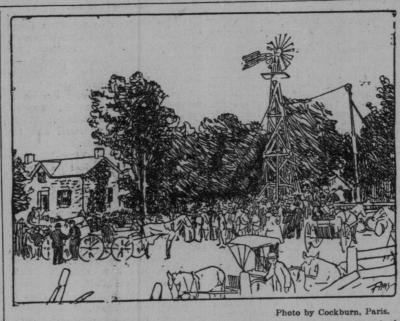
CHOKED BY BRICKS. "This left me in mighty bad shape. I was wedged in very tight to one side. My head was thrown partially over to one side and back to a painful position, and my arms were fastened over my head. Bricks pressed on my back and breast, and I was almost suffocated. I could hear the people signalling above, but I could not reach around to the pipe to tap on it. That's what made them think I was dead. I finally got hold of a piece of brick with one hand, but I was afraid to even tap on the brick lining of the well. Every-move caused the bed of sand around me to move, and I was constantly spitting it from my throat, into which it ran thru my nostriis. I used the brick to scratch "This left me in mighty bad shape can be distinctly heard and does not cause the vibration that a tapping does. I heard the men resume work. I kind of thought I would be saved. I don't think I suffered for food or water while I was in the hole. I may have been delirious, but I don't recall the circumstance. I slept a great deal. I would not let the men come into the chamber where I lay, tho I could have probably gotten out a good deal sooner if I had. I feared that they would be killed, for I knew another cavein was liable to occur any moment. I did not think I could be so fortunate as to escape death in that nate as to escape death in that

FEARED ANOTHER SLIDE.

"I heard the workmen the moment they broke thru from the new well to the old one. I was afraid they would start another slide when I found them working above me, and, therefore, called to them not to do that. I wanted them to go lower and come in lower down. They finally did this. I tried to help myself, but could do mighty little. My legs were numb and my fingers weak. I felt very cold at times, and I guess my circulation was bad. The first thing I asked the men to do when they reached me was to put something over my head to keep the sand from trickling down my nose and choking me. They put a hat over me, but that was not enough, and later they got the towel. Finally I got loose, one of the men reaching in and getting the brick from behind my back and then off from my chest. I was then in no pain. "I heard the workmen the moment I was then in no pain.
I helped myself a little after that,
but finally we got down to my feet.

"It seemed as if I could never get "It seemed as if I could never get one foot loose. I was perfectly free except that. I was in a fairly comfortable position, kind of reclining and sitting down. My leg from the knee down was caught between several brick and kind of doubled under me. They covered my foot in such a way that while I could move it a good deal it was impossible to get it out without a tunnel being run under my feet. I knew this was dangerous for the sand, which was near, and was liable to cause a slide. We tried a which was near, and was liable to cause a slide. We tried a whole day to get that leg out. Finally they started the shaft under me. Ropes were tied around me and run into the new well so that if the old well caved in more I would at least not be carried down any further. Then the men started the new tunnel. They had to dig but a few feet of earth and they reached my foot in two or three hours. They had it loose in a few minutes and then I was lift ed out slowly.

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"I washed my face before I got into the bucket to go to the top. I did not want to appear before all those people with a dirty face.

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"His mind was evidently wandering again. I hastened back to our main shaft, and we worked faster than ever, wanted "Bob" Hamilton and Richard those people with a dirty face.

Doyle, He was assisted largely, too, and thus we were directed to his location.



house where Sanford is lying.

The men had told me about the crowd waiting to see me. The doctors wanted to send me down a chair to hoist me up in, but I was tell to go up with my leg thread to go u

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