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FATAL BLASTING ACCIDENT AT| GLENBROOK. SMH 2/2/1892

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[BY TELEGRATH.] (FROM OR CORRESPONDENT.)

PENRITH. MONDAY.

An inquest was hold to-day on the body of Thos.Lawless, who met with an accident on Saturday at

the Glenbrook tunnel It appears that deceased,with some other men, were employed in blasting in

the face of tho rock. Everything was got ready fortile charge, which consisted of rackarock and

powder, aud whilst driving the charge home willi atamping iron, it exploded. All was in darkness, and a light being procured, one of the deceased's mates found him under some stone, groaning. Assistance was procured, and Lawless was brought on to the Penrith hospital, where he lingered until 1p m. on Sunday. Dr. Shand's evidence was that the cause of death was shock to the system. In the course of the evidence it was elicited that there is an lnsuflicicnt number of blacksmiths employed on the work, and, as a consequence, the tools where not in good order, 'The Manager's evidence was that the hole was too small for the charge. A verdict was re-turned to the following effect -" The deceased died at Penrith on the 31st January. 'The jury are of opinion that death waa caused by using tools in bad condition, thereby causing the drills to bo too small, and the forcing of powder in tho hole caused the explosion , but the jury do not know where the blame, if any, is to be imputed "ax Family Foundation