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An explosion in the Winterbank Colliery at South Normanton added one more to the number of tragedies laid to the charge of coal-mining. Rescue parties worked desperately to reach the ~~men~~ entombed men in the hope that they might be found alive. It was a faint hope. The first report gave the number of killed as seven. It may be more --- we hope it may be less. ~~But the~~ But the greater tragedy lies above the shaft --- in the sorrowing faces of those loved ones left behind.