EXPLOSIONS IN POWDER MILLS

Move Narrow Escape—Why One Man Was Not Injured.

A writer in the New York Tribune, who became a life-insurer in a powder mill, writes as follows:

"One who has never looked upon the interior of the largest powder-mills cannot imagine the destruction involved in the slightest mishap. A powder-mill is usually composed of two of first-class powder. The first explosion occurs in the packing house, the second in delivering the powder to the government. It took place on the evening of the 3rd of April, when I was at the window of the second floor. Just as I was eating my dinner, I turned to take a look at the explosion. The window did away instantly, and it was clear that my head was in danger. As I stood there, I felt a tremendous rush of air, and the window ran to pieces, but I was not injured. The explosion occurred at the end of the building, and the air rushed out in such a way that it was cool and refreshing.

"The object of the mill was to produce smoke powder, and it was full of burning powder, and the explosion was so sudden that the people in the building were thrown into a state of panic. The air rushed into the building, and the people in the adjoining rooms were thrown out of the windows. The mill was completely destroyed, and the people in the adjoining rooms were thrown out of the windows. The mill was completely destroyed, and the people in the adjoining rooms were thrown out of the windows. The mill was completely destroyed, and the people in the adjoining rooms were thrown out of the windows. The mill was completely destroyed, and the people in the adjoining rooms were thrown out of the windows."