

Whalen, Michael  
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**KILLED BY A CAVE.**—A fatal accident occurred in the Cherokee Company's mine on Sunday last. A cave occurred which buried two men, one of whom named McNeveitt, crawled out without serious injury, while his partner, Michael Whalen, was instantly killed. A small cave first occurred filling up the flume, and the foreman, Geo. W. Dyer, left to set some men at work clearing it out. In the meantime another cave occurred burying the two men as above stated and instantly killing Whalen. When his body was dug out it was found that a large piece of pipe clay had fallen upon his head and chest, probably causing his instant death. He was a steady and industrious man and generally esteemed by all who knew him, and his sudden death is universally regretted by the community. He leaves a wife to mourn his violent death. His body was consigned to rest in the Catholic Cemetery at Oroville on Monday.