

Kernan John

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FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday, the 13th instant, a man by the name of John Kernan was killed in Dana's mining claim, in Concow township, in this county, under the following circumstances: After dinner Kernan went to work in the claim as usual. A large stump stood a few feet from the bank, as he supposed on the bed rock. He went behind it and commenced work. After a little he found the stump moved toward him, and before he could escape he was caught by the stump and jammed against the bank in such a manner as to crush in the back of his head, and literally crush into a jelly his breast. The quicksand prevented him from making his escape, and the same treacherous substance moved the stump upon him. He was a man about 34 years of age, honest, upright, and greatly beloved by all who knew him. His untimely death casts a gloom over that vicinity. He was a native of New York.—[Oroville Mercury, May 18th.