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Accident.

A serious accident happened on Monday last to a collier named Elias Hall, residing at some cottages at the bottom of Walton Road, near Mr. Oldfield's pottery, Brampton. He was at work at the Gas House Colliery Pit, when a fall from the roof took place, which crushed him severely about the abdomen and chest, resulting in a fracture of the breast-bone, and other internal injuries. Surgical aid was promptly called in, and we are happy to hear the injured party is progressing favourably towards convalescence.

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The Panama Gold Discovery.

The A???????II Courier publishes the following with respect to this discovery: - "The discovery in Chile is entirely thrown into the shade; California mines are nowhere. A party arrived here on Saturday: December 8th., from Escribanos in the province of Veraguas, near which place are the mines of the Fort Bowen Mining Company, under the noble General Norris. It is known as the Belen Mine, and is situated in the section of this state formerly called the province of Panama, about 3 miles from Belen, between that and the Belencillo, 9 miles from the mouth of the former. The Belen has its source near the Castle Choso Mountains, which is in the province of Veraguas, and is 5,612 feet in height, and forming part of the boundary line between the former provinces of Veraguas and Panama, and empties itself into the Caribbean Sea, 70 miles west of the mouth of the Chagres-Vivec. The description given of the mine by our informant, who announces the result of the recent investigation, claims it to have four large veins: - 1. Quartz, 1.75 ounces of gold to the ton, 9 feet thick, 2 miles long; 2. Flecker and the Blue Quartz, six feet wide, one and a quarter miles long, 5 to 7 ounces of pure gold to the ton; 3. In continuation of the Forte Bowen, 12 feet wide, not fully traced; 4. Ditto. These specimens are richer than the best we have seen from the California mines, who yield an average of from 16 to 24 ounces of gold to the ton of ore.