shovels are used, one for stripping, the other for cutting out the coal at its full thickness; a narrow gauge railroad has been built from the terminus of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad to the stripping. Two small locomotives are used for taking the coal from the stripping to Millstadt, where it is loaded into cars for transportation to St. Louis and other points. This company intends to build a screening and sizing plant at Millstadt, for the purpose of properly cleaning the coal, and making the various grades for the market.

The Kolb Coal Company has opened a mine, to be known as No. 2, near Mascoutah.

## ABANDONED MINES

The Dewey Coal Company, Gartside mine, near Belleville; the Hartman mine, operated by John White & Son, Swansee; the International Coal & Mining Company's Bennett mine, near Lebanon; the Egyptian Coal & Mining Company's Oak Ridge mine, east of Marissa, have been abandoned, and the following have not been in operation this year: Southern Coal, Coke & Mining Co., Nos. 3, 4 and 6; the Royal Coal & Mining Co.; Frank Sargent & Son; the Sunlight Coal Co.; Emil Kramer, Caseyville, and St. Laboria Coal Co., St. Laboria

### CHANGE OF NAME

T. M. Meek mine is now operated by the Egyptian Coal & Mining Co.; the Avery Coal Company's Randle mine is now owned by the Mulberry Hill Coal Co., known as No. 2; the Wilharmil Coal & Coke Company's mine is now owned by John White & Son, and known as the White Coal Co.; the Glendale Coal & Mining Company is now operated by the Oakdale Coal & Mining Co.; Missouri & Illinois Coal Co., St. Clair mine, is now St. Clair Coal Company; the local mine operated last year by Charles Avona is now operated by Serth and Walters; the mine operated by William Ahrens is now operated by Fred Weisner; Lippert Bros. mine at Millstadt is now operated by Pistor & Lippert.

# FIRE AT MINES

The top works of the Maul Coal Company's mine were destroyed by fire May 24, 1913. On July 28, 1912, fire destroyed the engine-house, boiler-house and tipple at the Egyptian Coal & Mining Company's Oak Ridge mine, Marissa.

## IMPROVEMENTS

The Taylor Coal Company installed a first motion Litchfield hoisting engine at the Ridge Prairie mine, and put in a gasoline haulage motor at the Taylor mine.

The International Coal and Mining Company installed another boiler

at the Carbon mine.

The Southern Coal, Coke & Mining Company re-timbered the No. 6 mine,

and installed a gasoline haulage motor at No. 8 mine.

The Suburban Coal Company has installed a gasoline haulage motor, and put in chain haulage to elevate and transfer the empty cars around the shaft bottom.

The Oakdale Coal Company has put in improved Shaker screens.

The Mulberry Hill Mine No. 2, and the mines of the Missouri and Illinois Coal Co., and the John Groome Coal Company have been re-timbered.

The Edgemont Coal Company has installed an electric mining machine, re-timbered the hoisting shaft, put in a new boiler, a new fan, and erected a new tipple.

The Pioneer Coal Company has erected a new fan at the air shaft and

put in a coal crusher and elevator.

### FATAL ACCIDENTS

August 25, 1912, Matthew Gibson, miner, aged 43 years, married, died from injuries received August 24 by fall of slate in the Jones Brothers' Tureka No. 1 Mine, Marissa. He leaves a widow and one child.

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