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shaft. He had a narrow escape, but was quite unconcerned and went back and started to send the stuff up. But one of the men on top was so nervous that he let a piece fall down the shaft, and Joe had another narrow escape. Sometime afterwards he went to feed the battery at Hiscock's. There was a large naphtha lamp hanging from a beam in the battery house, and the string broke, causing the lamp to fall on Joe, and cover him from head to foot with burning naphtha. There was a dam at the back, and Joe took a header into it, and kept on diving until the flames with which he was enveloped were extinguished. He afterwards shifted to Ballarat, taking his house with him on those old block wheels. On the way road the thing ran over Joe, breaking his leg. His wife was with him, and eventually they managed to reach Ballarat.