

Falling Boulder Severs Man's Leg

His leg nearly severed between his foot and knee by a falling boulder, L. Gass, jackhammer man, yesterday afternoon was rushed to Boulder hospital, where the member had to be amputated.

Gass was working on the Nevada keyway, between the intake tower excavation and the rip-rap work, at about 2:30 when the accident occurred.

He was down over the side of the canyon wall. A rock about the size of a bushel basket fell from above, it is said, and before he could get out of its path it had pinned one of his legs to the rock ledge.

Fellow workers made a sort of stretcher, using two 14-foot drill steels and safety belts, and a tourniquet applied above wound, checked the flow of blood, while he was taken to the hospital.

The rock is said to have fallen 150 or 200 feet before it struck Gass