

IMPALED ON IRON BAR.

LITHGOW, Monday.

At the Kandos cement works a young man named Besant had a remarkable escape from death. He was assisting to fix a new roof on the cement mill extension when he fell through the roof on to a reinforced concrete hopper in course of construction, and from which half-inch steel bars protruded upwards. Besant was impaled on one of the bars, which penetrated one of his legs near the thigh, and protruded over twelve inches.

One of the men who saw the occurrence hastily seized a hacksaw and cut through the bar. Besant was conveyed to the casualty station, and later an anaesthetic was administered and the rod extracted. The injured man is progressing favourably.