**2.5. Accidents and Injuries to Men and Boys employed underground in the Colliery of East Holywell, during the year ending May 24th 1841, provided by William Morrison, ‘Medical Gentleman’, to the 1842 Children’s Employment Commission.**

1. Injuries to Officers and Men

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| Names | Employment | Days on Smart List | Nature and Cause of Injury |
| 1. Robert Forrest | Hewer | 22 | Leg cut by stone falling from roof |
| 1. George Dickson | Hewere | 8 | Back bruised by stone falling from roof |
| 1. Benjamin Forrest | Hewer | 4 | Shoulder sprained by wedging |
| 1. George Pringle | Hewer | 78 | Lost an eye by wound from a coal struck off by pick point |
| 1. Thomas Hairtson | Hewer | 18 | Leg and thigh bruised by stone from roof |
| 1. John Goodfellow | Hewer | 13 | Eye hurt by coal from pick point |
| 1. Thomas Fenwick | Hewer | 24 | Back bruised by coal falling |
| 1. George Beck | Hewer | 54 | Wrist sprained by falling into cut |
| 1. John Huggup | Hewer | 12 | Back bruised by stone from roof |
| 1. John Huggup | Onsetter | 10 | Crushed by car in shaft coming down upon him: concussion of spine: back broken: since died |
| 1. Edward Stonehouse | Hewer | 21 | Contusion of back by stone from roof |
| 1. John Nichols | Hewer | 9 | Foot and leg bruised by stone from roof |
| 1. George Dormand | Hewer | 8 | Pick-hole in leg |
| 1. John Wright | Hewer | 18 | Foot bruised by coal |
| 1. John Watson | Hewer | 10 | Laceration of scalp by coal falling |
| 1. Os[wald] Elliot | Hewer | 4 | Back hurt by coal |
| 1. Gaw. Redhead | Hewer | 12 | Foot bruised by stone from roof |
| 1. Thomas Nichols | Hewer | 6 | Pick-hole in leg |
| 1. Thomas Cook | Hewer | 52 | Thigh bone broken by fall of stone from roof |
| 1. Andrew Allen | Hewer | 12 | Chest bruised by stone from roof |
| 1. George Robinson | Hewer | 6 | Foot bruised by stone from roof |
|  |  | 401 | TOTAL DAYS’ LOST WORK |

1. Injuries to Boys

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| Names | Employment | Days on Smart List | Nature and Cause of Injury |
| 1. Thomas Akenhead | Putter | 29 | Fell before tram: ribs broken |
| 1. Aaron Strong | Putter | 27 | Hand injured by coal from jud |
| 1. George Clough | Putter | 19 | Hurt by tram: side bruised |
| 1. George Watson | Rolley-driver | 6 | Hurt by rolleys; leg bruised |
| 1. Matthew Scott | Rolley-driver | 6 | Hurt by rolleys: knee hurt |
| 1. Thomas Fenwick | Rolley-driver | 40 | Hurt by rolleys: wound in inner ankle |
| 1. Richard Gibson | Rolley-driver | 12 | Hurt by rolleys: leg bruised |
| 1. William Watson | Putter | 2 | Hurt by tram: back bruised |
| 1. Benjamin Forrest | Putter | 12 | Hand injured by stone from roof |
| 1. Matthew Johnson | Putter | 2 | Jammed between trams: back bruised |
| 1. John Auld | Putter | 8 | Hurt by coal: lost end of little finger |
|  |  | 154 | TOTAL DAYS LOST |

The mine employed 88 men and 50 boys.

Source: *PP* 1842 (381), *Appendix to the First Report of the Commissioners. Mines. Part 1. Reports and Evidence from Sub-Commissioners*, pp.550-1.