

## THE AWFUL AVALANCHE.

### Eight Persons Buried by a Snow-Slide in Colorado.

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One of those fearful visitations peculiar to all mountainous countries, and known in Colorado as a snow-slide, occurred at the head of Hall's gulch, Park county, at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning last, sweeping the boarding-house of the Whale mine a quarter of a mile down the gulch, and burying its inmates, eight persons in all, under a mountain of snow, from which the bodies cannot be rescued until the summer thaw reduces the drift. Owing to a break in the telegraph line between Morrison and Hall's gulch, information of this terrible accident did not reach Denver until last evening, when Hon. Ziba Surles was informed of the details through a letter from J. McDonald, the operator at Grant, dated Jan. 9. As near as could be ascertained, the boarding-house contained six men, one woman, and a child, and it is said that one of these escaped, though a letter from D. N. Cassell fails to confirm this idea of good news, but says all the inmates were buried beyond reach. James, John and Matthew Reed, and the child of the latter, together with J. H. Ralph, are among the lost. The woman's name is not given, nor are the names of the other two men. The Reeds have relatives or friends in Central, who have been informed by telegram from Morrison of the sudden and terrible event under notice.