## SNOW SLIDES.

Eleven Miners Buried Alive Beneath an Avalanche of Snow.

Denver, Col., April 26, 1:30 a. m.—[Special.] News has just been received from Leadville which states that the miners at the Homestake mine, near Crane's peak, have been buried alive in a snow slide. The report caused great excitement at Leadville, and Robert Bunson, of the Queen City mine organized a relief party.

Hundreds of men volunteered and even begged

to go.

A special train on the Rio Grande was at once made up for the relief corps; the lever was pulled back, the throttle thrown wide open, and the special sped in the direction of the Homestake mountain. They were met by excited miners at Sanderson's ranch, who signaled the train. Mr. Sanderson informed the rescuing party that it was folly to penetrate the wilderness of soft, yielding snow at that time of day. The party was compelled to return to Leadville and will attempt the trip in the morning, leaving the city with a force of forty men.

Mr. Sanderson was interviewed, and says he has no doubt but that the eleven men engaged at the mine have been buried in the snow slide. The miners occupied three cabins near the mine. Masses of perpetual snow cling to the rugged mountain peaks directly above the

cabins, which are at the timber line.

Mr. Sanderson visited the spot at 5 o'clock in the morning, and found the cabins buried and no signs of life anywhere. If any of the men escaped sudden death, they are now buried beneath the avalanche of snow, twenty-five feet deep, intermingled with boulders.

Nothing more definite is known.

The following compose the list: Morton Borden and brother, Sy Creston Borden, of Novia Scotia.

Horace W. Matthews and brother J. Matthews, of Iowa.

John Lock and John Burns, of England.

Charles Richards, Nova Scotia. Christ Harvey, of Leadville.

Robert Campbell, of Red Cliff, Col.

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