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ANOTHER AVALANCHE.

A Snowslide on the Homestake Mountain, Col., Buries Eleven Miners.

Two Taken Out Dead—The Rest of the Men Under the Snow Thought to be Killed.

Vicksburg's Calamity—Thirty-Seven Bodies Recovered—A New York Village Burned—Forest Fires.

LEADVILLE, COL., April 26 .- At two o'clock yesterday afternoon news reached this city that eleven men working in the Homestake Mine, on Homestake Mountain, on the Eagle River, were buried in a snow slide. A special train from here carrying a rescuing party left within an hour for the scene of the disaster. Arriving at the point nearest the mine the party was met by a crowd of excited miners, who told them it was useless to attempt to reach the mine through the wilderness of soft snow, even with snow shoes, at that time of day. The party returned to Leadville and will repeat the trip early in the morning, when it is hoped the snow will bear the weight of the men. The missing men are: Martin Borden, Sylvester Borden, of Nova Scotia; Horace Matthews, of Iowa; Joseph Matthews, of Iowa; John Locke, John Burns, of England; Charles Richards, of Nova Scotia; Christopher Harvey, of Leadville; Robert Campbell, of Red Cliff; John Burns, of San Francisco, and one man unknown. Another large rescuing party left Leadville last evening for the scene of the disaster, and is now working with desperate earnestness to reach the victims. Up to dark last evening two bodies were reported recovered. The fate of the other buried miners will probably not be known before some time to-night, as a great mountain of snow must be first removed. It is feared that all have perished. Homestake Mountain is one of the highest in this part of the State. The side of the mountain on which the mine is located is very precipitous. The great avalanche must have literally fallen upon the cabin of the unsuspecting miners, crushing it to atoms.

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