

ENTOMBED MINER SAVED.

The Terrible Experience of Con Sullivan at Butte.

Butte, Aug. 30.—After facing death for 24 hours Con Sullivan, a Utah miner, was rescued today by a force of about 50 miners, who for the past day have been working in gangs of three and four with feverish haste. Sullivan was on his first shift, having come here from Eureka to bury his brother, who was killed by a mine cave in about three weeks ago.

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By tapping on the walls Sullivan was able to communicate to fellow miners that he was still alive. When the rescuers reached him the man emerged from his narrow prison with a smile on his countenance, and unassisted climbed the ladder to the top. Over 100 miners had gathered at the shaft, and he was accorded an ovation.

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