

## FIVE DIE NEAR SILVERTON

Mill Crushed and Other Property of Value  
Swept Away.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Silverton, Colo., Jan. 23.—Five Italian miners employed at the Sunnyside mine lost their lives in an immense snowslide late yesterday afternoon. The mine blacksmith shop and several tram cars were swept away.

There are eleven slides between Silverton and Elk park. The slides average from seven to thirty feet deep and from 50 to 450 wide. One immense slide went into the Animas river forming a dam of snow and ice which caused the stream to back up and overflow the Rio Grande tracks to a depth of four feet.

It will be two weeks before traffic can be resumed between Silverton and Durango. The Iowa mill in Arastra gulch has been crushed in by heavy snowslides which came down Little Giant mountain.