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DEFYING AN AVALANCHE.

BIG COTTONWOOD, Utah.-When the earth begins to tremble in this vicinity the few people scattered around know that it is not an earthsnow moving down the canons in two or three hundred ton blocks at the rate of about four miles a minute. Until within the last few days there have been very few slides this winter, though the snow has warm days, and another is that not in the canons. The sad experience: of last winter, when several men who insisted on remaining in their cabins lost their lives, caused the settlers to be a little careful this year, but a good many of them are still tempting their fate.

About four miles up the big Canon John Furbush and two companions have been living in a cabin built especially to shed off avalanches. The boys dug a hole in the earth and made a sort of shelf, rescuers, who feared that the old Rev. Charles Phillips, of Chapel the earth and made a sort of shelf, on which they built the hut. Furbush calculated that when the slide came it would jump the house and leave it and its inmates all safe. His faith in the scheme was great. He had induced a civil engineer to go up and take the angles for him, and he put much confidence in the remark of that learned man that if the avalanche did not sag in the middle the house would probably HE WOULDN'T BE HARD ON THE stand. The building was stoutly made, the uprights being of hewn timber, and the root, which slanted How Uncle Jonathan Peals Received down the canen and came at its highest point up even with the rocks and earth above, was as smooth as John could make it. He South, Judge Harris of Virginia New Store! New Goods! thought that when the snow came tells a story which shows how enit would glide right over the roof as thusiasm may triumph over adverse if it were sheet iron.

"It will roll off that 'ere roof," said John, "as slick as shot off a farm, about six miles from Harrisshovel."

Not until about ten days ago did anything occur to alarm the dwellers in the cabin. The snows had been accumulating rapidly, but as the weather remained cold they manifested no disposition to slip down. When the sun came out warm the other day John looked anxiously up the canyon. There was not less than a thousand tons North, and was doing so daily, of snow above him, as near as he that nobody ever ventured to hint could figure it, and he calculated the contrary to him. He would that a good share of it would be stride into the office of the weekly down his way before long. He scraped the roof and got everything its, throw himself down in a chair in ship shape. While he and his men were eating dinner a couple of days later a tremendous roar, crash, "Well, editor, what's the newst" "Oh, Gen. Lee has had another

"Hang on for dear life, boys!" gasped Furbush, "she's a comin'," he would scattem 'em," the old give them away. ing several minutes they stole out cautiously and found that the slide had been on the other side of the canyon, and that it had plowed a hole in the earth ten feet deep, riphole in the earth ten feet deep, ripping up great trees and changing the entire configuration of the earth's surface. When the men had examined the desolate scene a few minutes in silence, Furbush said he was afraid a slip of that kind might has a little too much for his scheme. be a little too much for his scheme, office.

but still he had a good deal of confidence in it.

After that Furbush became very anxious to have a slide, and he even proposed once that they start one, but his companious reminded him that the man who went up the canon to start one would have to be interested in the start one would have t mighty quick to beat it down. In the course of three or four days following there were tremendous availanches all around, destroying cabins, mine property and other things in their path. Nothing escaped them. When these facts became known to Furbush he was considerably alarmed, and his "No, Uncle, I'm afraid it's too

friends advised him to abandon his hut, for his time was bound to come. His companions left him, but he was too stabborn to yield, though he manifested much less anxiety for a slide than he had previously shown. When the boys left him true. Here we have Gen. Lee's address to his troops, advising them to go hame. Jim Dalton got here this morning with his horse and gun, and says our infantry boys will be along about tomorrow."

The old man looked pitcously from the said.

"She's coming now!" one of them stood they could see the whole performance. It was a grand and
awful seene. The mountain itself the results of the war, Uncle Jona
appeared to collapse and dissolve. than trotted off home in infinite Objects generally regarded as sub- content at naving participated in stantial, the mighty boulders and Gen. Lee's generosity. rock-rooted trees apparently assumed a liquid form, and, mingling with the snows, appeared like a majestic river in full sweep, its waves dashing high in the air. The sound was as a tempest, and the very earth trembled. Neither of the men spoke until the mischief had all been done, and then one of them managed to find voice to say:

"That was old John's slide, and no mistake. Let's go and see how he weathered it."

They retraced their steps far enough to convince themselves that the cabin had disappeared. The whole scene had changed. Where the shelf had been built with such quake or dynamite; it is only the care, nothing was now to be seen Augusta, Ga., the 25th inst., prombut a gouged out place that looked ises to be a gathering of unusual inas though logs had been shunted terest and importance. The assemthere for ages. Satisfied that Fur. bly was organized in Augusta in bush was buried at the bottom of December, 1861, the war having the canyon, the men made their severed connection with the Northway down as hastily as possible, ern part of the church, and it has been pretty heavy. One reason is and to their surprise found the remained a separate body ever that there have been only a few cabin only about half covered by since. As the present occasion the snow. It had hung together in will be the quarter centennial of the many men have been moving around marvelous fashion, and the question assembly, it will be fitly observed now was whether the old man in. by addresses by Dr. Palmer, of New side was dead or alive.

solemnly and said:

you'll start another one."

They carried him to a neighboring cabin, and after a day and a night of careful nursing he came around in good shape.

the News of Lee's Surrender,

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- Speaking of Mr. Davis's receptions in the

Old Jonathan Peale lived on his burg, Va., during the war, and rode into town twice a week on his old white horse to hear the news and comment on it after his fashion, which was abominably through his nose. He was one of those thornoon Very Large and there never was room for a doubt. He had such a steadfast confidence that the South would whip the newspaper on his semi-weekly vis-

and rumble were heard, and all battle with the enemy," the accom-three involuntarily rose to their odatidg editor would reply, "and feet almost speechless. drove them off in confusion."

"I knew he would do it. I knew It was a false alarm. After waitman would respond, with much g several minutes they stole out nasal enthusiasm, and trot back home to tell the family how the war

was going.
But at length there came a time

shown. When the boys left him he said:

"Step kinder high, now, and don't jostle things any. There ain't no use bringing on a slip for the fun of the thing."

The boys got out of the way as soon as possible, and were just congratulating themselves as well as langhing over the change in Furbush's attitude when the earth trembled, and a frightful roar burst on their ears.

"She's coming now!" one of them

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