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the mountains in labour one day the countrymen noticed that
the mountains were in labour smoke came out of their sum
mits the earth was quaking at their feet trees were crashing
and huge rocks were tumbling. they felt sure that something
horrible was going to happen. they all gathered together in one
place to see what terrible thing this could be. they waited and
they waited but nothing came. at last there was a still more
violent earthquake and a huge gap appeared in the side of the
mountains. they all fell down upon their knees and waited. at
last and at last a teeny tiny mouse poked its little head and
bristles out of the gap and came running down towards them
and ever after they used to say much outcry little outcome.

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the hares and the frogs the hares were so persecuted by the
other beasts they did not know where to go. as soon as they
saw a single animal approach them off they used to run. one
day they saw a troop of wild horses stampeding about and in
quite a panic all the hares scuttled off to a lake hard by deter
mined to drown themselves rather than live in such a continual
state of fear. but just as they got near the bank of the lake a
troop of frogs frightened in their turn by the approach of the
hares scuttled off and jumped into the water. truly said one of