

LONDON DIVISION

GALT BRIDGE

1900

A RAILWAY SMASH.

C. P. R. Express Runs Into a Freight at Galt.

Jan. 2.—A head-on collision occurred on the C. P. R. here just west of the long railway bridge about 6 o'clock on Monday morning. The east-bound passenger, due at that hour, and a west-bound freight came together with such force as to damage both engines and derail two cars, demolishing one and throwing both down the embankment. No lives were lost, but the engineer of the passenger, Wm. Childs, Toronto Junction, sustained a broken leg and lacerations about the head and body. He was taken to the Galt hospital. The cause of the accident is no secret. There were two freights in the yard at the time, and one ready to come in. One of the two crossed the bridge to allow the other to leave the siding for the main track. It was thought that all this could be executed before the arrival of the express, but the freight had just cleared the bridge when there was a crash, and the freight and the passenger telescoped. The latter's headlight had been seen, but in the dark it was mistaken for the semaphore lamp until too late.

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