

THREE KILLED

Fatal Smash on G. T. R. at Mimico To-day

A rear-end collision on the G. T. R. at Mimico shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, resulted in the death of three men, all employees of the railroad. Whether it was the storm that prevented the engineer and fireman from seeing the train in front will probably never be known as they are now dead. Besides the three dead, several others were severely injured, though not fatally. The dead were badly mangled and also very seriously burned. Their death was practically instantaneous.

None of the men are of Hamilton. At press time their names had not been learned by the local authorities of the road. Full particulars of the accident had also been delayed.

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THREE MEN BURNED TO DEATH IN WRECK

Trio of Train Crew Die as
Result of Rear-End
Collision.

BLAMED ON STORM

Thought That the Disaster Was
Due to Blinding Snow
and Wind.

Grand Trunk Conductor Moise and
Brakemen E. Batman and H. Barn-
ham, all of Belleville, Ont., were
burned to death in their caboose fol-
lowing a rear-end collision at the
Mimico yards during a blinding snow
storm this morning.

Three men were burned to death in
a fire which followed a serious rear-
end collision on the Grand Trunk
Railway near Mimico, early to-day,
when a heavy freight engine crashed
into the rear of a freight train which
was standing at a switch. The ca-
boose on the stationary train caught
fire and three of the train crew who
were in it at the time were burned
to death.

Delayed U.S. Party.

The collision occasioned a serious
tie-up which lasted until early in the
afternoon, when the wrecking crane
arrived from Hamilton and cleared
up the line. A train carrying a party
of prominent persons from Columbus,
Ohio, who were on their way to
Toronto to study the methods of the
Patriotic Fund campaign was just
behind the train which did the dam-
age and they were held up for a
short time, but they were able to
reach the city over the Islington cut-
off of the C.P.R.

Blamed On the Storm.

The only explanation of the acci-
dent which officials of the company
could give was the storm. It is prob-
able that the wreck was entirely due
to the blinding snow and the terrific
wind which was blowing at the time.
The only loss of property was the ca-
boose and one empty freight car,
which was also burned.

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