

PORT DOVER
AND
LAKE HURON
RAILWAY.

COLLISION AT A RAILWAY CROSSING.

A PORT DOVER ENGINE RUNS INTO A G. W. R. FAST TRAIN.

LONDON, Aug. 4.—A collision took place to-day at the junction of the Port Dover and Lake Huron and Great Western Railways. It appears that the Port Dover train was approaching the crossing on the Great Western, and that the driver was evidently watching an engine shunting on the siding of the Great Western Railway west of the crossing. Fancying he could go past before the engine shunting came along, he proceeded south at a good rate, and, it is alleged, in face of the G.W.R. semaphore, which was up. If this were so it accounts for his not seeing the G.W.R. fast train from Hamilton to London, that was in this city at 10 a.m., which was approaching at its usual speed. Mr. Mason, the engineer of this train, observed the danger in which both trains were placed, and his train being a shunting train consisting of an engine and a passenger and a baggage car, he resolved to try and cross over, for he was too near the crossing to pull up. He, therefore, gave the engine full headway of steam, but had scarcely got his engine and baggage car over when the engine of the Port Dover train ran into the passenger car with great violence, toppling it upside down and throwing it against the semaphore poles. The passengers were all thrown over. Conductor Mordan was severely injured, and a Montreal commercial traveller named Graham badly hurt. An investigation will be held.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Woolwich, Aug. 4.—A collision occurred at the crossing of the Port Dover & Lake Huron and Great Western Railways this morning, the Port Dover express, which leaves here at 8:45, running into the train from Hamilton due at 9 o'clock. There was only one coach on the Great Western train, which was turned upside down. The Port Dover engine was badly smashed. Only one person was injured—a commercial traveller from Montreal named Graham. It is not known what the extent of his injuries are as yet. It is said that the accident occurred through the negligence of the switchman at the crossing.

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Railway Accident - Rain.

Simcoe, Aug. 23.—As the morning service train from Stratford, due here about 10:30, on the P. D. & L. H. Ry., was meeting the westbound Air Line, and going about ten miles an hour, the engine was thrown from the track, turned over on its side, and somewhat damaged. The driver received a few bruises. The accident was caused by the sand washing down on the track by the heavy rain of this morning. The traffic of the road will not be interfered with. There was an excursion party of about one hundred on board, going to Erie, Pa. The excursion is postponed for a week in consequence.

Two and a half inches of rain fell here this morning.

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