

ONE KILLED, SIX HURT, IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

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Car Jumped Tracks on Burlington St. To-day Workingmen on Way to Factories, Victims

One man was killed, six injured and a number of others severely shaken up when street car No. 94, eastward-bound on Burlington street, jumped the tracks at a crossover switch just west of Wellington street, at 6:45 this morning. The victims were all workmen on their way to east end factories. Following is a list of the dead and injured:

KILLED

Clarence Wilson, 438 Macnab street north.

INJURED

Fred Reynolds, 125 Hughson street north.

James Scime, 315 Macnab street north.

Mareo Donatoneo, 86 Strachan street west.

John Doolittle, 605 James street north.

John Dougherty, 817 James street north.

Salvatore Campanella, John street north.

Ernest Corbett, No. 170, motorman, 54 Sherman avenue north, and Wm. Tully, No. 516, conductor, were in charge of the car, an open one, traveling at a fair rate of speed at the time of the accident. The front trucks took the switch, but the rear wheels left the tracks, and a number of the passengers were hurled out. Wilson struck the ground with terrific force and was almost instantly killed.

An emergency call for police and medical help was sent in. Constables Curtiss, Inch, Hager and Williamson responded with the motor patrol and police ambulance, and the injured men were taken to the hospital.

One would never know from the condition of the roadbed that an accident had happened. There is only the marks of the rear wheels, for a distance of a few yards. Just at the point east of the accident a gang of city workmen are engaged in laying a sewer to drain the low-lying land south of Burlington street, which was



CLARENCE WILSON

An employe of the National Steel Car company, who resided at 438 Macnab street. He was killed in the street railway accident this morning.

complained of by T. J. Stewart, M.P. The erection of the revetment wall, and the fill back of it, blocked the sewers, and a new one is being installed. H. Glancinnen, 18 Balsam avenue, is in charge of the gang, and he stated that the cars passed there at such a rate that it was necessary to have the crossover installed, because the action of the cars was crumbling the trench.

NOT AWARE OF CROSSOVER

The crew in charge of car No. 94 are men who have been in the employ of the company for a considerable length of time, but the motorman did not know of the crossover. He was proceeding east on Burlington street at about 30 miles per hour when the accident happened. It was reported that he had made a stop at Ferguson avenue, just west of the accident. Even if the stop had been made there is an incline from Ferguson

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son avenue towards Wellington street that is rather steep. The car must have been going at a rapid rate. It is said, because the front wheels swung around onto the tracks, but the rear truck ripped loose from the rails. The car was heavily loaded, as there were 70 people on it. The jar threw Mr. Wilson and the injured men from the car, and the rear truck passed over the deceased and also over Mareo Donato's foot. Mr. Wilson was so badly mangled that it would be impossible for anyone to identify him from his appearance. His face was battered to a pulp. He was identified by a check from the National Steel Car company which was found in his pocket. He also had a watch in his pocket with his initials engraved on the case. He was 24 years of age and married. Two years ago he was a member of the Hamilton fire department, but quit that employment because of the night work. He was one of a family of five boys and three girls, the parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson, residing on Park street north. His wife, who was formerly Miss Emily Hill, is employed at the Imperial Cotton company. The young couple resided at 438 Macnab street north with Mrs. Hill.

Mareo Donato, of the International Harvester company, was severely injured about the foot, and it was necessary to amputate three of his toes. He is at the city hospital.

John Doolittle, of the Harvester company, was cut about the knee, but returned to his home from the hospital.

INJURED ABOUT HEAD

Salvatore Campanella, of the Steel Car company, was badly injured about the head and above the right eye. There is a hole in his head near the temple. He is still in the hospital.

Fred Reynolds, an employe of the International Harvester company, was only slightly injured and returned to his home.

Joe Scime, of the International Harvester company, sustained a torn hand and injuries to his knee, but he returned home.

John Dougherty, of the International Harvester company, was injured about the right knee, but returned to his home.

Controller Thomas Juffen lives within a stone's throw of the scene of the accident and immediately it occurred, he sent in a hurry-up call for both the police patrol and the ambulance. The auto patrol arrived on the scene 20 minutes before the horse-drawn ambulance, and four of the men were in the hospital before the ambulance arrived.

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