

RUN-OFF AT GLENCOE.

No. 12 Express Leaves the Track
Owing to the Breaking of a
Switch Rod.

NARROW ESCAPE OF TRAIN HANDS AND PAS-
SENGERS.

Glencoe, January 3.—No. Twelve Ex-
press of the G. T. R., going east, came to
grief at Glencoe station this afternoon about
four o'clock. While the engine-driver was
endeavoring to pass his train from the
north to the south track through the
switch, the switch-bar holding the rails in
their place, snapped, thus releasing the
switch. The shock broke the coupling be-
tween the tender and the baggage car,
the fore wheels of the former being thrown
crosswise on the track, but the engine and
tender did not leave the rails. The bag-
gage car was thrown bottom upwards
across the Air Line track, the wheels being
thrown into the ditch and the baggage
hurled promiscuously about. The
escape of the baggageman from
instant death was extraordinary. The
passenger cars, smoking car and two
Pullmans kept the north track and were
saved from destruction, through the inter-
vention of two flats loaded with claders.
The forward passenger car mounted the
rear flat car embedding itself in the clad-
ers and pushing the two flat cars
along. The four passenger cars
gradually came to a stop without
damage to anyone. Had these flats not
been in the way the passenger cars must
have run on to the next switch at the road
crossing, where a fearful accident must
have occurred. There were about forty
passengers on board, none of whom were
injured, and the escape of the train hands
was remarkable indeed. All passenger
trains crossing from the north to the south
track should either stop or proceed very
slowly. The accident, which has at length
occurred, has been long looked for by resi-
dents of Glencoe.

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