St. Thomas, Sept. 29.—There has been a bad accident on the Air line of the G. W. R. between here and Aylmer by a collision between an excursion and a freight train. Several were killed.

AYLMER, Sept. 29.—The 9.25 excursion train from here to the exhibition at London collided with a freight train at Orwell, two and one half miles from here, this morning. So much excitement, and so many conflicting rumors prevail, it was impossible to get full and correct particulars.

The following appear to be the facts: The excursion train had refers to meet the freight here, but being ten the states and the conductor were a straight piece of the train and was mainterrupted for two ones a straight piece of the freight and kept on as full speed. The passenger train consisted of nine coaches, and five of them were completely wreeked. Five persons are known to be killel and several more are missing, who are thought to be buried in the wreek.

About twenty were seriously wounded and agreat many slightly.

The dead are: Willie Cook, of Aylmer; Wamsley and his son, driver and fireman of he excursion train, of St. Thomas; and two loung men, names as yet unknown, from

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stunned and fell across the track, lying insensible till killed.

STATEMENTS OF THE DRIVER AND CONDUCTOR.

Richard O'Brien has been employed on the
street railway for about seventeen years, and
is the oldest driver on the road. He is one
of the most trusty servants in the company's
employ, and is considered to be a very careful
driver. When a reporter of the Telegram
spoke to him about the sad accident he became greatly agitated and with difficulty prevented himself from crying outright. He
started on his trip north a few minutes before
eight o'clock without paying particular attention to any of the passengers. After reach
ing Bloor-street he waited about five or six
muntes and them started south, there being
Rev. Mr. Fleshman and the other a lady.
Just before reaching Isabella-street he felt
the car joil as if the wheels had passed ever
a piece of wood, but it was not such a joils as
would turn the car from the rails. The
horses were jogging quietly along and didn't
ely, so that he paid no attention to
the joilt until he heard the bell ring to stop,
when the conductor told hir that a man had
been run cyer. Hev. Mr. Fleshman, aponhand and in the card of the and and accided in

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