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TRAIN DISASTER IN BENEVENTO

The most appalling train tragedy that ever happened in Italy after the war, occurred in Benevento on February 15th.

The express-train N. 816 on its way from Lecce to Bari, entered the station of Benevento at full speed, thus missing the exchange rails. Nine of the coaches overturned, only the first one remained miraculously attached to the engine. 22 people were killed and 75 badly injured. First aid and rescue squads were immediately organized, to rescue about 300 people, as heavy rains made things even more difficult.

Train officials are making the necessary inquiries to ascertain about the responsibilities.

One day after the whole town took part in the ceremonies for the victims' funerals.

