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YORKSHIRE TRAIN DISASTER

Another major accident shakes a country which has always believed its railways the safest in the world. Eight lives were lost and sixty people injured when a London to Bradford express overturned down a thirty foot embankment near Wath on Dearne. First to release the passengers trapped in the dangerously poised coaches were the miners from a nearby colliery, Manvers Main.

The cause of the disaster is as yet unknown, though subsidence of the Embankment is suspected.

Fifty years ago it was the proud boast of the railways that the safest place in England was in the cab of a sixty-mile-an-hour Express. The country looks for a return to this high standard of safety.