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WELWYN TRAIN CRASH.

By a miracle, only one man was killed when this Aberdeen-to-London express crashed into the back of a local train near Welwyn Garden City in the early morning mist, derailling the last two coaches of the local. Rescue workers are quickly on the scene, expecting to find many casualties under the wreckage, but the roll of injured is only 26 out of 500 passengers.

The one fatal casualty was 56-year-old Mr. Frank Glasswell, of Welwyn Garden City, who was alone in the last compartment of the local train. Reports say a worse disaster was averted by the special "back-eye" couplings with which both trains were fitted, and which prevent coaches from telescoping. This stretch of line is equipped with the automatic train control system just approved by the Transport Minister - but the express was not modified to use it. The sooner it's universal - the better!