

The Giddings News

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A Bad Accident

Saturday morning at Bremond, one of the Dallas-San Antonio fast passenger trains that passes through Giddings plowed through an open switch into the rear of another passenger train and telescoped a Pullman car, killing one man outright and injuring several others. Some Giddings people were on the train among them being Dr. Johnson who says that he wishes never to be in another wreck. One man was pinned in the wreckage 4 hours and 20 minutes and he almost suffocated for air, he being in one of the state rooms of the Pullman. It was dark and for about an hour no progress was made removing him, until a passenger Col. Polk a trained engineer offered his services which were readily accepted. Col. Polk being able to get results out of a body of men by directing them advantageously and with aid of the A. & M. boys who worked heroically was able to extricate the man without further injury. Dr. Johnson having crawled down through the wreckage and administered anaesthetics as soon as he could reach any part of the man's flesh. The trucks of the engine were driven back and resting on the Pullman trucks. The crew in charge of the switch reported the switch being left for the main line, but the switch was found open for the siding where the wreck occurred.