

The Giddings News

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Motor Car Wreck

Monday afternoon, a south bound freight struck the motor car of George Throckmorton's section crew and three colored persons were bruised up considerably. George had an extra heavy car with eleven men on it besides himself. He had planned to stop at a certain bridge and work. As he approached the bridge he had his brakes on, running slowly, and as he was about to get on the bridge the freight came in sight from around the curve. He told his men to release the brakes and stay with the car until they crossed the bridge. The crew was so excited at the sight of the approaching train only a short distance away that some of them jumped off while the car was on the bridge, while George and some others crossed the bridge on the car and left it before the engine struck.

Those injured were: James Johnson, left leg badly bruised; Robert Gaines, wrist sprained and Tom Young, elbow sprained. They were immediately brought to town by the passenger train and given attention. George is "out" a good motor car, as the foremen provide the cars themselves.