

TRAM SMASH AT CAMBUSLANG

Six Persons Injured

Six persons were injured in an alarming smash in Cambuslang late on Saturday evening, when a Glasgow Corporation tramway car which was standing on the west-going line in Main Street suddenly started to move backwards, and, gathering speed on the steep hill, left the lines and crashed into a stone wall adjoining the Cambuslang gas works. The injured were:

- Mrs Cleary, 29 Colebrook Street, Cambuslang, injuries to back;
 - Rachael Cleary, her daughter, same address, cuts and bruises;
 - James McInner, the driver of the car, 23 Exeter Drive, Partick, injury to back;
 - Catherine Brown, conductress, 146 Fore Street, Scotstoun, bruises and shock.
 - Jeannie Moffat, 26 Deans Avenue, shock;
 - Jane Mack, Spittal Terrace, Hallside, shock.
- After receiving medical attention in a nearby shop they were all allowed home.

The tramcar, a newly conditioned vehicle, was standing about six o'clock in Main Street opposite the Cambuslang Co-operative Society's premises. Without warning it began to travel backwards, and gradually gaining speed on the slope, crossed the loop line on to the opposite tramway lines. The conductress, who was standing on the rear platform, tried in vain to keep the trolley wheel on the overhead wire. The driver also remained at the controls and made frantic endeavours to brake the vehicle. Two of the passengers on the top deck descended and jumped to the street. The car continued to descend the hill at an increasing rate, and finally crashed into a wall at the corner of Clydeford Road, near the gas works. The wall was smashed, and also a wooden fence adjoining, and the rear of the car was badly damaged.

A large crowd soon assembled, and, as the vehicle was leaning over at a dangerous angle, the police were kept busy preventing anyone venturing near.

Yesterday morning a breakdown squad from the Transport Department, with four motor vehicles, started to remove the obstruction.