A Mysterious Explosion.

At about 8 o'clock Tuesday evening a terrible explosion occurred near the Praed street underground station of the Metro-politan railway, London. On the first alarm a strong cordon of police was summoned to preserve order, to keep the way clear and convey the wounded people to the hospitals. Passengers on the train at the scene of the explosion say that there was suddenly a loud report like a cannon, then a sudden darkness, the gas lights from the front to the rear being put out. Glass was broken, and splinters of wood flew about the cars, cutting and wounding many passengers. Above the din were heard the shricks of the injured and panic stricken people. All this occurred in a moment, and for awhile confusion reigned supreme. The train, which was crowded, contained principally country visitors returning from the fisheries exhibition. After leaving the station the train traveled steadily ahead, although the concussion smashed nearly all the lamps in the Præd street station and caused much damage to the permanent way. When the train reached the next station, at Edgegrave road, the first effort was made to rescue the wounded. Some were dreadfully burned, but more were prostrate with fright. All doctors, surgeons and dispensaries in the neighborhood were called into requisition. The first impression was that explosion of the gas caused the disaster, but later inquiries tend to show malice. The two rear carriages were damaged most. They are mere skeletons. Another theory is that the explosion was caused by foul gas accumulating in the tunnel. The general opinion of railway officials is that the disaster was caused by some explosive material which had been placed in the rearmost carriage. About forty persons were injured, some dangerously. Almost simultaneously with this affair another explosion occurred in the underground railway between Charing Cross and Westminster station. At Charing Cross the glass of the station collapsed. The effects were similar to those at the Praed street explosion. A cablegram Wednesday says: The

excitement over the explosions in the underground railway line is very great. A large number of police, under special inspectors, were on duty all night at the various railway stations and guarding the line. A heavy force also watched the houses of parliament and other public buildings. The explosion at Charing Cross occurred a distance of two hundred yards west of the station. There was no train there at the time. The walls of the tunnel were battered but the rails were not misplaced. The windows in the station were blown out. The roof was not damaged. The police deny that any rocket or cartridge has been found near the scene of the explosion. No traces were discovered of the nature of the explosives. It has been have been caused by coal gas. No clue to the persons causing the explosions were obtained. All the detectives of the Metropolitan police are searching for the perpetrators of the outrages. Up to 3 o'clock no explosive matter was found at the Praed street station. The inspector from the home office viewed the scene of the explosion there and afterwards examined the damaged train. He expresses his opinion that the cartridges, made of the first order of explosives, such as gun-cotton, were used. The guard states that while looking out of the car window, just after the train left Praed street station, he saw some sparks nearly underneath the carriage, and immediately afterwards heard the explosion. The explosive used at Charing Cross station was a small quantity of some material other than dynamite.

At the Praed street station the force of the explosion was terrible. Although workmen have been busily engaged all night removing debris, they have not yet finished their task, nor has the damage at that place been repaired. The tunnel there was not destroyed but a deep hole was excavated in the road-bed. The brick work was blown out and the gas-pipes and telegraph lines broken, the refreshment saloon wrecked, and the windows of other rooms of the station cracked. The explosion occurred immediately under a passing train, 40 yards west of the station. All the persons injured were in the last two cars. Twenty-eight persons wounded were taken to St. Mary's hospital. Four of them are seriously hurt, but they passed through a favorable night and are expected to recover. Others were able to go to their homes during the night.

The explosions caused intense excitement in Irish circles in London. The Irish almost unanimously think the outrages were due to deliberately planned machinations of enemies of the national party of Ireland, who intend to create an anti-Irish feeling in England. It will be next to impossible, they think, to have a perfectly impartial jury to try O'Donnell now. It is also remarked that the explosions occurred about the moment when Davitt was opening his address in St. James half. It is stated the police are unaware of the presence in London of any of O'Donovan Rossa's dynamiters. However, all Irish rendezvous are closed and watched.

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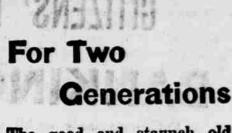


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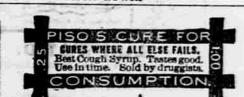
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