Dastardly Attempt to Wreck Interurban car

Heavy Log Placed in Path of Double Header and Big Car Is Torn Loose from Gear and Hurled Across the track.

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NEWARK, OHIO, AUG. 13 – The second attempt to wreck a Zanesville and Newark traction car was made early this morning at Kirkersville.

Car No. 50, pulling a trailer and running as the second section of the regular Buckeye Lake excursion train, struck a heavy log which had been rolled on the track. The car was running at a high speed and the impact of the collision together with the sudden gripping of the air brakes, tore the car loose from its gearing and it was skidded about 60 yards along the track, where it was broken to pieces.

Motorman Lehman and Conductor Leevy and the two passengers, Davie Moore and James Cooper, escaped with a few bruises.

The police claimed to have a good clue and expected to make an arrest before nightfall.

The road was blocked until noon, passengers being transferred at the scene of the wreck.