



INSIDE TODAY NEWS OPTIONS RECIPES

TRAGIC TRAM DISASTER

ON THE 8TH OCTOBER 1919 AT 11:30AM THE NUMER 19 TRAM BUILT BY THE BRITISH CORPORATION OF TRAMS (BCOT) WAS ON ROUTE FROM BURTON TO ASHBY SUDDENLY IT ROLLED BACKWARDS THEN IT DERAILED AND OVEER TURNED AT THE BOTTOM OF BEARWOOD HILL ROAD

THIS DISASTER ALL STARTED AS THE 10:52 TRAM FROM BURTON TRAM STATION BEGAN TO CLIMB BEARWOOD HILL ROAD, AT APROXAMITLY 11:30 AM WHEN THE TRAMS MOTOR STOPPED AND THE TRAMS BEGAN TO ROLL BACKWARDS DOWN THE HILL.

STRUGGLING TO SAVE HIS TRAM DRIVER CHARLES INSLEY,PULLED EVERY SWITCH AND LEVER POSSIBLE WHILST CONDUCTRESS LILLIAN PARKER TRIED TO CALM ALL OF THE 29 PASSENGERS DOWN .TRYING TO SAVE THEM SELVES 12 PASSENGERS ESCAPED BY JUMPING OFF .AS THE TRAM REACHED THE BOTTOM OF BEARWOOD HILL ROAD WHICH THE LINE TOOK

A SHARP LEFT TURN INTO NEWTON ROAD UNABLE TO THIS THE TRAM DERAILED AND OVERTURNED . 1 PASSENGER WAS KILLED AND 16 PEOPLE WERE INJURED IN THE CRASH WHO OF WHICH WERE ALL TRANSPORTED TO BURTON HOSPITAL .3 DAYS LATER LILLAN PARKER DIED IN HOSPITAL WHO OF WHICH HAD BEEN FIGHTING FOR HER LIFE A BATTLE WHICH SHE LOST AFTER LOSING A LEG .

IN A STATEMENT A LADY MENTIONED ,THAT THE TRAM WENT TO THE TOP OF THE HILL AS NORMAL,THE CONDUCTRESS WAS ABOUT TO LET THE PEOPLE OFF WHEN THE TRAM STARTED TO ROLL BACKWARDS DOWN THE HILL AND WHEN IT REACHED THE BOTTOM IT SHOULD HAVE MADE A LEFT TURN INTO NEWTON ROAD BUT THE TRAM DERAILED AND OVERTURNED . "EARLY INVESTAGATIONS ARE ON BRAKE FALIURE."

INVESTIGATION MEMBERS INCLUDE BRITISH CLASS INVESTAGATERS AND BCOT.EARLY THOUGHTS ARE ON BRAKE FALIURE.



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