

FATAL AND MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last, a melancholy accident, attended with loss of life, occurred on the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway, between the Heaton Lodge Junction of the Huddersfield and Manchester line and the station at Mirfield, to Thos. Scott, guard of the mail train between Leeds and Manchester. The mail from Manchester passes the Heaton Lodge Junction about twelve o'clock at noon; and on the day above-mentioned three pupils of the Blind Asylum at York joined the train at the said junction. Their luggage was placed upon the roof of a carriage, and when the train started the guard was observed to mount the roof and commence strapping on the luggage. On the arrival of the train at Mirfield, Scott, the guard, was missing, while down the carriage on which he was last seen, a stream of blood was running, and on the roof of the carriage the lifeless body of the unfortunate man was found. It is presumed that while on the roof with the luggage his head had come in contact with the bridge that strides the rails a short distance above the Mirfield Station, causing severe fracture of the skull and instantaneous death. Deceased had been a railway guard for many years, and was well known and respected for his courteous and kind demeanour.