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DEPOT AND STATION DESTROYED – Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette – Thoroughfare, Va., October 7, - About two o'clock on Sunday morning the depot and store at Thoroughfare Station were destroyed by fire. Two young men were sleeping in the store at the time (Geo. W. Moss and William Mount) they were awakened by the flames in their room which was up stairs, and were obliged to go through the flames to get out of the house. The depot was pretty well filled with freight. The post office and express were also in the house. Everything was destroyed. The people of the neighborhood sympathize with Major Mason in his loss. The insurance had expired the day before the fire.

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Prince William County Items from the Manassas Gazette

We learn through Mr. Henry Owens, traveling agent for the firm of Messrs. Shinn & Company, Alexandria, that a man named Henry S. Speer, a new comer there, made a most unprovoked and deadly assault with a stick, on Mr. James Mount, railroad agent at Thoroughfare Station, on the Thursday last. Speer was arrested by Constable James McDonough and was to have had a hearing yesterday.