

Cab-crash dummies



ALL THE 'RAGE': A taxi that took down scaffolding in a road-rage duel with another cab sits smashed beneath debris early yesterday.

Another taxi nightmare on Sixth Ave.

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Two cabs fighting for a fare nearly caused another tragedy yesterday when one jumped the curb and plowed into scaffolding just 12 blocks south of where a British tourist lost a leg Tuesday in another road-rage incident.

The taxis were racing up Sixth Avenue near 37th Street at around 1:30 a.m. when one cut the other off, police sources said.

Driver Subal Das is believed to have cut in front of fellow cabbie

Jacob Owusu when he spotted a fare, the sources said.

The two cars collided, and Das' cab hopped the curb and careened into scaffolding, which collapsed.

"Thankfully, no one was on the street at that hour, or it could have been a lot worse," a police source said.

The accident came just three days after a cab jumped the curb at Sixth Avenue and 49th Street and plowed into tourist Sian Green, 23, severing her left foot and mangling her right leg.

That cab driver, Mohammed Hi-

mon, 24, yesterday had his driver's license suspended after pleading guilty to a suspension summons.

"I am very sorry for all of this," Himon told reporters outside Bellevue Hospital, where Green's family is keeping vigil as doctors treat her injuries. "I will always pray for her and her family. If I do something, I am going to do it for her. I wish her good luck."

Himon, who came to the United States from Bangladesh about five years ago, told The Post earlier this week that he lost control of his cab during a run-in with bike

messenger Kenneth Olivo, 40.

"This is not my fault. This is an accident," Himon said yesterday.

Olivo, 40, has a long rap sheet that includes 22 arrests.

The cabbie is hoping to meet with Green and her family, according to taxi-driver advocate Fernando Mateo.

"The only crime committed here was by the bicyclist," Mateo said.

"Who would you rather believe, a man who immigrated to this country and supports his family back home, or a thug?"

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