

Terrible Explosion.

A GASOLINE STOVE EXPLODES WITH FEARFUL RESULTS.

The Burning Fluid Falls all Over Mrs. Nora E. Hill. She is Fearfully Burned—Inhales the Flames and is Seriously Injured, but Proper Medical Treatment Saved Her Life.

From the Chronicle, Chicago, Ill.

Perhaps in no case as yet recorded has the efficiency of a popular remedy been found so clearly as in that of Mrs. Nora E. Hill. While her condition, caused by a frightful and distressing accident, places her beyond the pale of perfect recovery, she has received such marked relief that the story of the accident and the sufferings resulting from it will be of more than ordinary interest to thousands of invalids.

Mrs. Nora E. Hill, before September 1893, was a hale, hearty and strong woman, past the middle age of life.

She tells the following story:

"September 1, 1893, while attending to my duties about the house, a gasoline stove which I had used for some time, suddenly exploded, throwing the burning fluid over me. Before my clothes which were on fire could be torn off, my right arm and hand were fearfully burned. This however, was not my most serious injury, as I had inhaled some of the flames, and I found the inside of my mouth blistered. My hand and arm to the elbow were burned to the bone, and my physician believed amputation necessary, but after weeks of great suffering, I was spared the operation, and I have fairly good use of my hand and arm now.

"Shortly after the process of healing of arm and hand, my stomach commenced to give me trouble. I did not then realize what it meant. After each meal I was seized with a cramping sensation, and then a few days there were frightful pains, which threw me into clammy perspiration. For eight months I was under the care of my physician, battling hard with death. I had lost 93 pounds, was becoming a mere skeleton, my appetite was gone, and my nervous system completely shattered.

"I lost confidence in everything, was totally discouraged, and determined to go to my former home, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and have my old physician make an examination of my condition. He did so and found that gastric ulcers of the stomach had formed, which he said were incurable, and were liable to produce cancer at any time. While in Grand Rapids the ulcers which had formed in the stomach broke, which produced vomiting of large quantities of blood and pus. This confined me to a sick bed for several weeks. When I became sufficiently strong to get up I came back here to die, as the doctor told me I might last one week, possibly one month. But I determined to make as strong a fight as I could, and get all the medical aid there was in Chicago.

"It was taken before a class of one of the most noted and celebrated medical colleges here for examination. This examination proved what my physician in Grand Rapids told me viz, that there were gastric ulcers of the stomach. The opinion of the college physicians was that my chances of a cure were not one in one thousand. This was in May 1894; in June I was taken down with gastric fever, caused by fresh ulcers forming, and I lay in bed nine weeks. From June to September in that year I also suffered additionally from thirty abscesses forming on my arms and shoulders, produced by the condition of the stomach and blood circulation. After this I got a little better, and this improvement lasted during the fall and winter of January 1895, when I had another relapse of gastric fever. I took a great many drugs, opiates under the physician's directions

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GAMBLING.

Nickle in the Slot Machines

To Be Legalized by the Portland City Council.

The Portland city council has organized to legalize and license nickel-in-the-slot machines. Mr. Logan, a colored orator of that city addressed the city council as follows:

"The charter of the city of Portland is what the common council of this city want the constitution of the state of Oregon is to its legislature. The charter declares that a majority of the council may pass any ordinance or resolution not repugnant to the laws of the United States or of this state." The laws of the state of Oregon declare that each and every person who shall carry on any game played with cards or any other device, whether the same be played for money or any representative of value, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, etc.

"That nickel-in-the-slot machines are gambling devices within the meaning of the state statute no man, with the least respect for his opinion, will deny. But the honorable gentlemen, of Portland's common council, while admitting these machines to be revenue only. There is a state statute against gambling. If slot machines are gambling devices, let the state authorities look out for that." By a party of reasoning, the legislature, of Oregon, might as well say, 'We will license counterfeiting the money of the United States at so much per annum. We want revenue. There is a law in the statutes of the United States against counterfeiting. Let the United States look out for the punishment of counterfeiting.'

"So far as statutory or legal authority is concerned, the council had about as much right to pass the nickel-in-the-slot ordinance as it had to authorize the erection of a summer garden on the bleakest summit of Greenland's icy mountains.

"I am not a reformer (so-called) nor the son of a reformer; but I hold that any device that is so strenuously contended for by a class of men who expect to exist in this community by the open and notorious indulgence in the gambling habit by all ages, sexes and conditions, is inimical and dangerous to the welfare of this city. It is contended that these machines lessen the indulgence in the habit of cigarette smoking and dice shaking. 'This I deny, and say positively that cigarette smoking has in no wise been lessened by these iniquities; and dice shaking has only increased since the machines have been suppressed, and then only as a substitute for its more attractive superior.

"The gentlemen of the common council may congratulate themselves on their imaginary advantage (from which I trust they have derived much benefit); but I am willing to stake my professional reputation to the hazard that not one penny of the nickel-in-the-slot machine ordinance license will be collected wherever it is opposed.

"Two prominent facts characterize this remarkable effort for 'revenue.' First—It is not unadvised. On the contrary, it is deliberate. It is a step taken with the fullest knowledge that a gambling device is given official countenance by this city—a thing both feared and despised by every parent within our borders, for this monstrous evil appeals directly to the young. Second—the cigarmakers and liquor dealers to a man opposed it. Who asks for it? Who whispered into the alert ears of the official champions of this law condemned by all other men, the magic word, 'revenue.' 'Prostitution is punished by state law. Has that and 'revenue' reached the official tympanum? By the way, what an awful effect that word 'revenue' has on some people? It makes one admire the bastard in 'King John,' who declares his purpose: 'There is no sin, but to be rich: 'And being rich my virtue then shall be, 'To say—there is no vice, but beggary.' 'For instance, take a man who lies awake nights, tossing on a sleepless pillow and worrying himself to death over 'revenue' in both its incoming and outgoing aspect, and all for a paltry \$1000 a year—he fits it in by a nickel-in-the-slot means that is condemned by all, and completes it by a crematory measure that is sanctioned by none."

The Rev. Dr. Mayo declared the other day that "the 16 Southern states are today paying as much for the public schools as the British parliament votes every year for the public school system of the British islands—between \$20,000,000 and \$30,000,000."

And he adds that since the war the South has expended \$250,000,000 of its own money for education—\$75,000,000 of it for the children of the colored people."

STATE NEWS.

Mrs. C. H. Ruff of Greenville died after three years' sickness.

The salmon season opens today. The run has not commenced yet.

Oregon City has issued warrants to sell O. P. property for taxes in that city.

About \$50 has been raised for stocking Wallawa county with Chinese pheasants.

Since January, 1897, 38 quarts and 35 pacer claims have been located in Douglas county.

The receipts of Washington county clerk in March were \$221.80 and that of county recorder \$250.55.

The Commercial Association of Pendleton has \$400 to be used on improving roads and highways.

Frank Anderson, of Medford, was sentenced to 18 months in prison for burglary near Woodville Oregon.

County Treasurer A. B. Cady, of Washington, will pay the state taxes as fast as incoming tax collections will permit.

School district No. 29, in Benton county, has been cut into two districts. The new one will be designated No. 7.

Mrs. Mary Flannery, of Roseburg aged 96, died at her home in Warrenton, Douglas county. Infirmities of old age. She was found dead in bed.

Mrs. Nellie Godfrey, of Forest Grove, died at her home on Gales Creek Wednesday. Her age was 57, and died of congestion of the lungs.

Joseph Luckman, a sheepman of Datter creek, in Morrow county, Oregon, reports that one of his ewes gave birth to five well formed, healthy, full sized lambs.

A. Haskins, city marshal of Lafayette, was arrested, tried and acquitted at McMinnville on a charge of assault and battery upon an adopted son. The trial cost the county \$75.

P. B. Whitney, traveling freight agent of the Southern Pacific, in Oregon, says that there are about 500 bales of 1896 hops in the company's warehouses throughout the Willamette valley.

C. J. Lindell, of Astoria, has filed suit in the circuit court against C. C. Jones, for \$10,000 damages, for alleged slander. The defendant alleges that the plaintiff has falsely accused him of incest.

The receipts for the first quarter of the Oregon City land office was \$2,217.31. Fifty homestead entries were made covering 11,496.87 acres on which fees amounting to \$1,899.20 were paid. 81 final proofs covering 11,496.87 acres.

The heavy wind storm at Oregon City left the bridge in bad shape. Some of the timbers were badly rotted and some were almost ready to fall of their own weight. It will require about 500,000 feet of lumber to fix it.

James Smith, a supposedly prosperous tenant farmer on the ranch of J. S. Killan, near El Monte committed suicide by hanging himself to a tree in his yard. There is no known cause. Smith came to El Monte Cal. last fall from Oregon.

An Astoria paper says: Mhe Quong Sing Tong, a Chinese labor organization, has notified the canners that none of its members will work where white labor is employed. The notification by the Chinese, the paper says, is pointed at the boys and girls who work in canneries.

The police of Chicago have received orders to arrest all people found hugging in the streets or public places of that city.

Cupid breaks his bow at the sight of a face full of pimples and blotches. Hollow cheeks, sunken eyes, and a narrow complexion will defy his best intentions. Beauty is more than skin deep. The skin is merely the surface on which is written in plain characters the condition of the body. The skin is not a thing by itself, and skin diseases are frequently not skin diseases at all. All the lotions and creams and powders in the world won't make a good complexion if the digestion is wrong. If the stomach is sour, and the liver torpid, and the bowels constipated, the skin will show it. No use trying to treat the skin for such a condition. The only way to relieve it is to cleanse the system and purify the blood. As long as the heart is pumping impurities to every part of the body, just so long these impurities will show through the skin.

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