

Boiler Explosion

Last Friday morning Ed LaMott's threshing engine blew up severely injuring the fireman, Ole H. Boyum, the steam and part of the end of the boiler striking him in the face blowing him about 60 feet. When found he was thought to be dead, but he was revived and with the aid of Dr. LeBien who was hastily summoned succeeded in fixing him up so that he was taken to the hospital at Fargo, Saturday, from where it is reported that he is getting along nicely. There were no bones broken, the full force of the explosion striking him in the face. He will be somewhat scarred, but it is thought that they will be able to save the eyes. The machine was a Nicholl & Sheppard return flue and had been used by Mr. LaMott about eight seasons. The large center flue gave way at the seam, blowing out the back end of the boiler, just the same as the one belonging to Mr. Johnson that went up last fall. There were a number standing around the engine at the time but the fireman was the only person injured.—McHenry Tribune.