

[Steves, May Emma]

Burned to Death.

On Sunday last the sad news reached this village that Miss May Stevens, who was a student at Butchel [Buchtel] College, Akron, Ohio, had been burned to death. The particulars are as follows: A birthday party was being held on Saturday evening in the library room of the college building. Eleven young ladies, among whom was Miss Steves, were entertaining a small party of invited guests. They were dressed in costume and wore high hats, covered with cotton. Unfortunately one of the young ladies' hats came in contact with a gas jet and almost instantly the flames spread to the others and all were in a blaze of fire. Miss Steves' clothing was all burned off from her and her flesh was burned from the top of her head to the soles of her feet. She died about midnight. Miss Steves was a very popular student at the college, and the blow is a sad one to her widowed mother.

Her remains arrived in this village on Tuesday morning. Owing to the fact that the repairs on the Universalist Church are not yet completed, the funeral services were held in the M. E. Church this afternoon, Rev. O. [Ora] M. Hilton officiating.

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