

the absolute duty of the defendants to provide a safe place for the daughter Jean to work, and that the defendants failed in their duty in that regard.

The defendants' manager of the hotel was one Pollock. He was not an expert—in fact he did not know anything about putting up the range—so he employed Emanuel J. Gallagher to do the work.

After the close of the evidence and after some discussion with counsel and the jury, the following questions were put to and answered by the jury:—

(1) Were the defendants guilty of any negligence which caused the death of Jean Junor? A. Yes.

(2) If so, what is the negligence you find? A. By not having the hot water system properly installed and inspected. The manager of the hotel neglected his duty, inasmuch as he neglected to examine the work, or cause to have it examined, immediately when he found it was not satisfactory.

(3) Would danger to persons in the kitchen of the International Hotel be reasonably expected to arise from an appliance formed by connecting the water front with the steam coils, unless measures were adopted to prevent such danger? A. Yes.

(4) Did the defendants take reasonable care to prevent such danger? A. No.

(5) Did the defendants exercise reasonable care in employing a manager? A. Yes.

(6) Was the manager in the employ of the defendants, at the time of the installation of the plant which caused the damage and at the time of the accident, a competent manager? A. Yes.

(7) Did the defendants' manager exercise reasonable care in the employment of Mr. Gallagher to install the work mentioned? A. No.

(8) Damages? A. Father, \$1,200, mother, \$1,200.

Additional:—

(1a) Whose negligence was it that led to the explosion? A. On the part of the manager, also of Gallagher.

(2a) Who in the construction of the appliance left anything undone, the leaving of which undone led to the explosion? A. Gallagher.

(3a) Who, if any one, did anything in the construction of the appliance that led to the explosion? A. Gallagher.

Upon these answers each party claims to be entitled to judgment.

The case is by no means free from difficulty. I have looked