The Beautiful Woman

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There was one woman years ago and they say she was very beautiful, a Lenape girl. Some man wanted to go correspond with her. This must have been at some time when they were sent away to different mission schools and learned how to write. This girl thought she was so pretty that she wouldn't talk to just anyone.

The man must have hired someone who knew bad medicine to do something to her. And she went to do cooking. The fireplaces in those days were outside and she went out there to stir her food and that center pole that holds the pots broke and fell and landed across her nose and broke her nose.

The reason was because she thought she was such a pretty thing. Nowadays with plastic surgery she could be repaired but in those days she went around with a disfigured face. That must have been what the man who had powers gave the reason it happened to her.