

Dear Sirs,

On Sat. July 28, myself, my brother and a friend were shooting our guns and sighting in for an upcoming hunt. On my third shot, I felt something hit me in the face when I fired. When I looked in my truck mirror, I found I had received a slight burn on my right cheek and two small cuts above my upper lip. When at first I tried to open the bolt on my gun, I could not budge it, but after using some force I was able to get it open. The shell, however, did not eject properly. I had to manually remove it. The shell, which I have enclosed, seems to be quite powder burned on the back, and the primer is completely gone, except for a small gold colored splinter that was jammed in the ejector pin. When I asked my brother-in-law, who reloads for himself, what could cause this, he told me it sounded like an over-loaded cartridge. He told me to take the gun to a gun smith because this could