

Reno furnishes a couple of good slot machine stories which should bring you a good laugh. The first has to do with an enterprising gentleman, armed with a horsehair and a nickle with a hole in it, who pumped several machines dry of nickels before the horsehair broke and he lost the coin. With the nickle tied to the horsehair, the operator would insert the coin in a machine far enough to trip the lever, and hold it in that position while he worked the handle with the other hand. Result—rather healthy replenishment of the exchequer.

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The other case relates to the case of a couple, recently arrived from the east, who spotted a slot machine in a hotel lobby and thought it was a new and novel kind of music box. The husband

dropped a quarter in the jack-pot slot, pushed the handle and the jack-pot came. As the money began rolling out of the machine the wife grabbed her husband by the arm and excitedly exclaimed: "Quick, you have broken it; come on" And they left quickly, leaving the money in the receptacle of the machine.