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THE EMPIRE BURNS.

O. Igin of Fire A Mystery. R. H. Pender Killed and Earl Keeter Seriously injured. A very serious and what promissed, to be a very disastrous fire occured Friday night, shortly after 10 o'clock, when the south end of the Empire store, on the corner of Main and Bank streets, was burned. The fire was first discovered by workmen on the Kress building and by the crowd which was dismissed from the play, Atice in Wonderland, which had been given by the children of the graded school, and, that the alarm was not given earlier was fortunate. Had it been it is likely that a panic would have ensued in the theatre and, it is very propable, that some of the children and patrons would have been seriouly injured, if not kill ed in the, rush to get out. A bright light was first seen in the

second story window of the Em-

pire building, near the corner,

and almost immediately there

was an explosion which was fol-

lewed by the flames boiling from

the front windows on the second The alarm was given and the firemen responded in a few minutes, but not before the fire had made such headway that it was Sanitorium and a more critical month ago on a charge of from the front, rear and the Bank would get well. Mr. Pender was who stated that he had not street side, but the pressure was 24 years of age and leaves a wife complied with these requireweak and very little was accom- and one child, who were absent ments. It developed during plished until the engine, which on a visit to friends in Winston the trial that she had been had been delayed for some cause, not known up to this time, was gotten into action, and the arrival of the Spencer fire department, which responded on a special car to a message asking for their assistance. The Spencer boys came from Spencer and were throwing water twenty-two minutes after they were called and, by the combined efforts of all the firemen, with the steady streams poured upon it, the fire died down and in a short time was under control. The flames were confined to the south end of the build ing over the double store room and was kept up stairs, except in few places where it burned. brough the floor, which were ex-

headway on the lower floor. Before the arrival of the Spencer firemen, or before the engine could be gotten to work, the flames had made such progress that it was feared that the whole block including the hotel would burn and all of the guests made preparations to move, but were spared this necessity, for by combined efforts of the firemen the fire was subdued and the guests returned

tingushed before it could make any

to their rooms. No one seems to know how the fire originated and no one was in the store just at the time the flames broke out. Just how a fire could get a start on the second-story, at a point where it would take longest to get at is somewhat of a mystery, hence difficult to explain.

The walls of the building do not appear to be much damaged, and the building is in good shape, except on that part over the second floor on the south end The roof was burned off and fel in, but the rest of the building was not hurt. The principal damage on the lower floor and in the store department was from water and smoke, and, until things can be gotten in shape it will be hard to tell what the loss is. We hear that the stock was worth from \$60,000 to \$75,000, with insurance amounting about \$30,000, with \$8,000 to \$10,000 on the building.

During the fire it was neccesary to send one of the wagons to the city hall for more hose and the light wagon, driven by Mr. Hess, was sent for it. R. H. Pender and Earl Keeter, who are not firemen but who were helping them, volunteerd to go with the wagon. Their offer was accepted and the wagon had made three trips and in order to avoid the hose on

Alone in Saw Mill at Midnight

unmindful of dampness, drafts, had to give up work. He tried Main street. many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discov ery. "After using one bottle" he teed by all druggists.

route from the city hall to Inues Proceedings of the County Court. street, down Innes to Church, thence down South Church. at the corner of South Church crowds in town Saturday, ran in a depression, made across a case was on the docket. the street at that point as a drain, On Saturday, Earl Goode, and, as the wagon was driven who had been convicted of rapidly over the gutter it gave a using his knife so fiercely, lurch and threw Mesers. Pender and with resisting the officers and Keeter out, who struck the who went to arrest him, was hard road with great force. Mr. Pender was killed instantly, his neck being broken and his skull fractured. His body was taken was and was fined \$20.00 into the Holmes & Overman weapon and was fined \$20.00 Warehouse and afterward's to and the cost. Summersetts undertaking establishment, where it was prepared was a pretty full house when

for burial. Mr. Keeter was pick- court opened, Several minor ed up in an unconscious condition, and, it was at first thought that ed him alive. He was sent at Tom Jarvis upon whom judgonce to the Whitehead-Stokes ment was suspended about a His wife was notified of his death married to a man named and returned to Salisbury on Sat-Small in 1898 and had lived urday. He was employed as with him for several years, checking clerk at the Southern he had left her and she had transfer shed here, and was generally liked by those who knew him, not seen him for six or seven His body was taken to Winston years, and that she had there. Mr. Keeter is 45 years When she married Tom Jar- home folks here. old and is married. He is em- vis and has lived with him ployed at J. O. White's wagen for 3 or 4 years having one and buggy shop on Lee street. child by him which is about He has lived in Salisbury for two years old. She admitted several years and has many that she had heard later that friends here who will be glad to know of his probable recovery.

Sheriff McKenzie has succeeded divorce, that he had left her in recovering the trunk which was and she had not heard from stolen from Mrs. Hilton, in East him in soclong a time that Salisbury, about two weeks ago.by she thought a divorce was Arthur Walker, who she got to not necessary. take it to the depot for her and who had it checked to Morganton and left on the west bound train that he had married the wo- when they will begin bousekeepat one time, but he managed in husband was not dead and has not since been apprehended vorce, and although she had he is caught.

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the corner of Innes and Lee money for his last week work streets, to their more commodious quarters in the Hedrick building, on East Innes street, formerly occupied by the Spot Cash store.

Mr. and Mrs. Krego, nee Mrs.

Looking One's Best.

writes, "I went back to work as her best but pimples, skin erupt mucous surfaces of the system. can be done. well as ever." Severe Colds, ions, sores and boils rob life of They offer one hundred dollars stubborn Coughs, inflamed throats joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica for any case it fails to cure, Send and sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Salve cures them; makes the skin for circulars and testimonials. Croup and Whooping Cough get quick relief and prompt cure from face. Cures Pimples, Sore Eyes, this glorious medicine. 50c and Cold Sores, Cracked Lips, Chap-Sold by Druggists, 75c.

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There was not a single case Mesrs. Pender and Keeter were to be tried in the county in the wagon, the driver does not court on Monday. This is know whether they were standing very unusual. Monday is the up or sitting on the side of the big day with the court, havwagon, he was driving and had ing Saturday, Saturday night his back to them. A negro, who and Sunday to gather them was on the back end of the wagon in, and it was a matter of surholding a small reel of hose, also prise that with the large had his back to them. When and West Fisher streets the wagon day and night, that not

he was killed, but Dr Councill. some laid over until Wedneswho reached the scene in a few mo day. The principal case tried ments after the accident, made a and which gave the most hasty examination and pronounc- thought to the court was Small was living, and when asked why she did not get a divorce from him she answer

ed that he was not worth a

with it and had it rechecked while man in good taith and upon ing. on the train to Marion. Sheriff her representation that her McKenzie has been on the hunt husband was dead, he had some way to make his escape and that there had been no di-A young man by the name of been very unkind to him, affair is here, and will be used as cursing him and calling him ever he well. He was 44 a witness against Walker in case all kinds of vile names when and his child if she would obtain a divorce from Small, and marry her again so as to former case was that it had dren, returned home Thursday. hope to merit the continued pa- taken all the money he could tronage of our friends and shall raise. Some \$20.00 to pay make every endeavor possible dur- the cost in that case, and aling the coming year to please our though he only made \$1.36 readers and improve our service per day at his work in the cotton mill he had given her a small amount of money on one or two occasions since his Messrs Hartline & Co., have just first arrest, and had only finished moving their large stock used what was necessary to

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all This room has been remodeled other diseases put together, and and put in shape for them and until the last few years was supthey have arranged their goods and are ready to wait on their short and years doctors pronounced it

constipation.

NEW LONDON!

Geo. Palmer. of Palmerville was in town a few days last week. Miss Emma Napier spent Thursday in Salisbury.

Krone Misenheimer, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is improving. He is able to set up a little now. Mrs. Misenheimer is with him,

The students have begin to look On Tuesday morning there done excellent work in school 3 o'clock on Christmas day, as the Henderson. here, this term

dren, 10c; adu'ts 15c; reserved ments in this paper, sents 10c extra.

N. C., is the guest of Miss Edna

Eli beeves, of near Ed rado,

the T A. Giespie Co, of New York, returned home Thursday, and the interment took place heard that he was dead. to spend the helidays with his

> W. L Cott u. r ceiv de message, Thursday, that his mother, Mrs Lucy J Cotton, wholes v siting her daughter in Allemarle, had had a stroke of paralysis. News was received later that she

Mrs J D. Rackin, who has has improved and left to mit her sister, last week. Prot. Rankur Statesville, Mrs. Rambilla Jarvis on the stand stated j in him there in the hear future,

ton, Va., died at his home there, for him ever since and the Sheriff lived with and provided for Monnay night, and his remains of Burke county had him arrested her until he learned that her were brought here for interment he was about the house and survive. Mrs. Sawyer was Miss had persecuted and prosecu- | Salema Crowell b fore marriage, ted him in every way, still he daughter of T. J Crose & See was willing to provide for her and her children have the profound sympathy of many Triends in this place. The remails were legitimatize his child, and Wednesday, the members of Stauin the New London ceusetay here his reason for not complying ly Lodge, No. 348 c inducting the with the judgment in the services. Mrs. sawyer and chil-

was only paid him on Tuesday morning, by Sheriff Mc-Kenzie who had collected for him while he was in jail. He further stated that he had not gone back to live with her as directed by the court in the first trial, because he of harness and accessories, from pay his own board. The was advised by his counsel that to do so would render him liable to a charge of adultery, and her to one of bigamy, they both knowing that the former husband was living and that there had been no divorce. After hearing the arguments of R. Lee large trade in Salisbury and a local disease and prescribed lo- Wright for the defendant cal remedies, and by constantly and Solicitor Craige for the failing to cure with local treat- State Judge Miller decided ment, pronounced it incurable. to let Jarvis pay the woman J. B. Isenhour, who were married Science has proven catarrh to be \$25.00 now and \$5.00 per unmindful of dampness, drafts, storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as Night Watchman, at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he lungs had a settled stitutional cure on the market again which Jaavis is anxious It is taken internally in doses to do in order to legalize his from 10 drops to a teaspoonful, children, and another, which It's a woman's delight to look It acts directly on the blocd and is looked for before all this

> Big preparations are being made for Christmas at Salem.

A Handsome Doll to be Given Away.

Mr. Urbansky, proprietor of the The funeral of Richard Eames,

d il must go out that aiternoon. If you want to spend a pleas- Euch one will make out his or her In the game of basket ball beaut evening come and see the guess on a ticket and these tickets tween the young ladies of the have at their place to-day two will be gone over on Christmas Salisbury High School and the beeves of extra size. An idea of given in the auditorium of New merning, and if the one who young ladies of the Charlotte them may be had from the weight London High School Thursday makes the nearest guess does not High School, which was played of one of them. The largest one night, December 23rd, 7:00 appear to claim the doll on on the public school grounds weighed 1560 pounds before being o'clock. The cast of characters is Christmas afternoon, it will go here on Saturday, Salisbury won butchered. Dressed, it weighed as follows: Echraim Stebbins, to the one making the nearest by a score of 24 to 2. A small 1002 lbs. The other weighs Luther Miller; Arnold Parker, guess or to the one present who crowd witnessed the game. John Uuderwood; Robert Gray, has the nearest guess. Mr. Urexamination disclosed that only abandoning his wife, and Grady & Lilly; Mr Smithson, banky wants it understood that pire block, which comprises six two or three ribs were broken failing to support her and Edd Moss; Ruth Stebbins, Fau- the doll must go out of his store would be burned. They soon had be had suffered some internal several streams playing upon it injury, that was not apparant, he from the front reer and the Bank injury, that was not apparant, he injury, that was not apparant injury, that was not a

Miss Fannie 'Firt, of Rateigh, Christmas Tree at Dunn's Mountain Ban-

church will have a Christmas tree spent a few days with his brother | Friday night, December 24th. To re will be speeches, recita-Heary Culp, who has been with to us, sougs, etc. Everybody is inand to come Services will be gua strictly at 5:30 p. m.

The Ludwig Literary Society of The Collegiate Institute, Mt. Pleasaut, N. Ca will hold its annual are indebted for an invitation to had had only a light she called was de ate is "Resolved, 'That men getting along as well as the sel wom a should have equal

be n very sick for the passion nth, Marry to Loan on satisfactory real-

Funeral of the Late Richard Eames,

Money for the Old Soldiers and W

Rowan veterans and midow Salisbury Pawn Shop, always up. was held from his late residence veterans get \$8,500 in pensions to-date in his business and always on East Innes street, at 8 o'clock this year. The wouchers are in anxious to please his costomers, on Friday, and was very largely the hands of clerk of the court, has one of the pretiest windows attended, many coming from J. F. McCubbins, and are being shown in the city. In it he has a other places to pay a last tribute handed out by him as called f large doll, nearly three feet high to him. Rev. T. A. Cheatham. The pensions are divided as foland beautifully dressed, which he of St. Luke's Episcopal church, lows: one of the first class, \$72,00; is going to give awayon Christmas officiated and he was assisted by five in the second class, \$60.00 day. He has a large g'ass jar Rev. Byron Clark, of the First each; eleven in third class, \$48.00 holding about three quarts which Presbyterian church. The hymne each; one hundred and forty-one forward to Christmas. They will he will fill with money of differ- "Nearer My God to Thee" and in the 4th class, \$26,00 each; and have a vacation of about two ent denominations, including pen-weeks during which time a good nies, nickles, dimes, quarters, by the choir of St. Luke's, the at \$26.00 each. The arrival of many of them will go to their halves and dollars in silver, some last as the body was being con- this money is very timely and will homes, and enjoy a few days with gold and some paper money. veyed to the hearse, after which enable all of these old people to their homefolks, after being all. All the ladies and girls, and all sent for several months. All will the boys under 10 years of age, can buggies, etc., slowly wended their warmer clothes and lighter hearts appreciate the vacation, for all guess at the amount of money in way to Chestnut Hill cemetery, than they had expected. We are have applied themselves diligently the jar, and no strings to his pro- where the interment took place. glad to see them get it, they for the past few months, and will position, no charge is made; and The pull bearers were: Hon. Jno. served their country well, are be glad to have a short rest. it is not necessary to buy anything S. Henderson, L. H. Clement, A. passing away rapidly and it will And then be ready to start in for the privilege of gussing, but he H. Boyden, Jas. H. Ramsay, P. only be a few years that we can school with the beginning of an other year. The students have all ses to be at his place of business at Bernhardt and Capt. Richard drop a tear to their memory.

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