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Beautiful weather yesterday.
For other locals see fourth page.
The streets are again getting dusty.
Window Glass—all sizes at Altaffer & Price's.

Maple sugar is more abundant this season than it has been for many years.
Save your money and buy your Building Supplies from Altaffer & Price.
For sale—A full set of resolutions; new the first of the year, but considerably out of repair now.
The regular charge for cremating a body is \$3, and no questions asked as to sex or religion.
Hill gentle Spring! but for heaven's sake don't give us any more snow, wind or dust, this season.
You can buy No. 1 Cooking and Heating Stoves at almost any price at JACOBI'S Hardware Depot.
If we could see others as we see ourselves, there would be more good-looking people in the world.
Hayes' Juvenile Pinatore troupe passed through this city on yesterday en route for Columbia.
The placidity of expression worn by a man who is "next" in a full barber shop cannot be counterfeited.
Richard Grant White says the language of swearing is in beastly bad form, and no gentleman will talk profanely.
People who believe in signs are satisfied that when thirteen persons sit down at a table some one of them must die some time.
The man who loafs on the corner is right to stand by a lamp post. It is his best friend, and the only one who is not tired of him.
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Girls know only one-quarter as much about courting as boys, because they have only one year in four in which they are allowed to practice.
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The most reasonable explanation of the present remarkable weather is that, this being leap year, spring is making love to winter, and the old fellow consequently has thawed considerably.
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Never mind about the cool weather. It is always Spring-time at this season of the year at Shrier's, where will be found the most elegant and the cheapest assortment of clothing in the State of North Carolina.
Mr. Nath'l Jacobi having been appointed agent for the Atlas Plow, parties in want of this celebrated Plow can now have their orders filled at JACOBI'S Hardware Depot, No. 10 S. Front st.
Indications.
For the South Atlantic States, clear or partly cloudy weather, Northerly winds, stationary or higher temperature and barometer.
It is not generally known that a letter M is stamped on the neck of the Goddess of Liberty, which adorns the new dollar of the daddies. It is a pretty good test of counterfeit. To one who does not know its exact position it is right hard to find.
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THE FATAL FLAMES.

The Fire Last Saturday Night—Three Buildings Destroyed—Caught by Falling Walls—One Man Killed. Others Injured—Narrow Escape of Many from a Fearful Death.

About 12 o'clock on last Saturday night the alarm of fire was sounded. The streets were not then entirely deserted and those who were abroad immediately rushed to the scene, which was found to be located among the old buildings on the corner of Front and Dock streets, and in the large brick building adjoining, erected by Mr. B. H. J. Ahrens for an ice house.

It is said by those who were first on the ground that the fire originated on the floor of the larger building, in which Messrs Preston Cumming & Co. had stored a large amount of hay and grain. This building, with its contents, together with the building on the corner, occupied below by Mr. A. Rush as a grocery, and by Mr. Louis Solomon as a dwelling together with their entire contents as also the building North of and adjoining the last on Front street, owned and occupied by Mr. Geo. A. Peck, as a hardware establishment, were soon entirely destroyed. A small frame building, next North of Mr. Peck's store, was saved from burning but was totally crushed by the falling on it of the upper wall of Mr. Peck's store.

No one seems to know the cause of the fire and the only plausible theory we have heard advanced is that of spontaneous combustion among the hay stored in the large building. Mr. Solomon, who as we have stated resided on the upper floor of the building on the corner, states that he was aroused by his wife and found the house on fire. The room was full of smoke and it was with difficulty that Mr. Solomon managed to escape with his family, just as they were aroused from sleep. He lost everything, including \$90 in money, except the night clothes in which they escaped. Afterwards, having seen his family safe, Mr. Solomon attempted to return to the burning building for the purpose of saving some of his property, and was only forcibly restrained from doing so by those who knew that he could never return alive from such an expedition.

The losses were heavy. Messrs. Ahrens & Haar's loss will amount to about \$8,500, of which amount \$5,500 is placed against the large ice building and \$3,000 against the building on the corner. They were insured with Messrs. Atkinson & Manning for \$2,500 in the Queen Fire Insurance Company, of London, on the ice building, and in the Hartford Fire for \$1,250 on the corner building.

Messrs. P. Cumming & Co. had stored in the above building a large amount of hay, valued at between \$3,500 and \$4,000, on which there was insurance with Messrs. DeRosset & Northrop for \$3,500 in the Fire Insurance Company of North America, of Philadelphia. There was no grain in this building, as we have incorrectly stated elsewhere.

Mr. A. Rush's stock is thought to have been worth about \$1,500. On this he was insured with Mr. Norwood Giles, in the Western, of Canada, for \$600 and with Messrs. John W. Gordon & Bro. in the Merchants' & Merchants' of Richmond, for \$700. Mr. L. Solomon lost everything, to all probability some \$600 or \$700, on which he had insurance with Messrs. DeRosset & Northrop, in the Petersburg Saving and Insurance Company, for \$300.

Mr. Peck's loss may prove considerable. His stock was worth about \$18,000 and on this he had insurance for \$7,000, divided as follows: In the Niagara of New York, for \$2,000, and in the Lancashire, of Manchester, England, for \$5,000 both represented by Messrs. DeRosset & Northrop; in the Wilmington Mutual Insurance Company for \$2,000 and in the Liverpool, London & Globe, Messrs. Jno. W. Gordon & Bro. Agents, for \$2,000. Mr. Peck's insurance on his store building was for \$1,500, with Messrs. Atkinson & Manning, in the North British Mercantile, of London and Edinburgh.

Capt. H. D. Gilbert was insured for \$450, on stock, and Mr. L. A. Hart, for \$250 on the building, with Messrs. DeRosset & Northrop, in the Petersburg Savings, which will probably cover the respective losses.

In removing the goods from Mr. Peck's store some thirty or forty persons, some of them members of the Fire Department

and others, volunteers, were engaged, and while they were thus at work the walls began to fall. At first a portion of the North wall of Mr. Peck's building fell in on the roof of that building, but without crushing the roof; a second time, a part of the South wall of the same building fell, also, without going through the roof and a third fall, that of the walls of the ice building carried with it more of Mr. Peck's wall and the combined strength falling upon the already weakened roof carried it away. The first and second falls were not heard by those at work within the store and the sudden falling in on them of the roof was their first premonition of actual present danger. Then one simultaneous dash was made for escape and all, save one poor fellow, managed to clear the buildings. His remains, crushed, mangled, burned and scarred, were found yesterday. It would seem that the roof was crushed in somewhere about the middle of the store and those who were working on the inside were divided into two parties from each other. Those who were in front managed to escape by the front door and those who were in the rear, led by Mr. J. B. Watters, of Wilmington Hook & Ladder Company No. 1, who was considerably injured, could only make their escape by breaking open one of the closely secured rear windows, which they succeeded in doing with their axes, when they fell exhausted into the arms of comrades of the Hook & Ladder Company who had been working almost frantically from the outside at the same window. Some of those who escaped were seriously hurt. Chief among them may be reckoned Mr. John Farrow, who fell insensible in the arms of his friends, and Mr. Jos. H. Watters, who is badly burned about the head and hands. Mr. Farrow's life was at first despaired of but at this writing he is considered in a fair way of recovery. In this connection the following account of interviews held by REVIEW reporters with various gentlemen who were caught within the burning building will throw some light on the subject:

MR. FARROW.
Mr. John Farrow says: "I was standing on a counter on the north side of the building when the first wall fell in; was knocked off, and before I could recover myself the second wall fell and I was wedged in by the debris. Then the roof fell in, the ends of the beams falling and resting on the counters on each side of the store. Do not know how I got clear from the debris, but in a few minutes I found myself, with Messrs. Watters, Parsley, Quince and others at the back window. The others had reached the window before me, but they seemed to be bewildered. I picked up an axe and forced open the window, when we all got out. I was suffocated by the smoke, and was injured in my back by the falling timbers." (Mr. Farrow is a brother of Messrs. J. W. and W. C. Farrow, of this city. He went to Texas a few years ago, and returned here about ten days since on a visit to his brothers.)

MR. MEIER.
Mr. Frank Meier says: "I was standing on the counter, by the side of Messrs. Farrow, Watters, Quince, Parsley and others, and was knocked off when the first wall fell in. Quince, Parsley and Watters got out of the way before me. When the second wall fell I ran out of the front door, and after getting out looked to see if any one was behind me. I am satisfied that Ellerbrock was caught when the third wall fell in."

CAPT. BERRY.
Capt. R. H. Berry says: "I was on the counter on the South side of the building with Bryant Swann. We were knocked down, and the counter fell over upon us. In the space of a minute or two another wall fell which lifted the counter from us, and I crawled out. Saw that Swann was left in the building, and after telling the leading hosemen to play on the place, I went back and got Swann to come out."

MR. SWANN.
Mr. Bryant Swann's statement corroborates Mr. Berry. He is badly burned on the hands and slightly on the legs. He is also suffering from a blow received on the chest.

CAPT. MYERS.
Captain Chas. D. Myers says he was in Mr. Peck's store assisting in removing some of the stock along with many others who, like himself, actuated by motives of friendship for the sufferers by the fire, were working with might and main to get

the goods out before the building was consumed by the flames; that he was behind the counter in a stooping posture, placing things on the counter, while others carried them off; as he raised up to place a handful of goods where they could be taken away, he saw several young men attempting to move a large can of oil from the opposite side of the store, pushing his position to go to their assistance. He had but just reached where the young men were standing when the crash came and saved open everything in a cloud of smoke, dust and debris from the falling walls; throwing his arms up across his face, he made a rush with others for the street, and succeeded in forcing his way through the door, and gained the open air when upon turning to look back he saw everything one mass of smoke flames and ruin.

MR. WATTERS.
Mr. Joseph H. Watters says he was standing on top of the counter in Mr. Peck's store handing goods down from the shelves when the awful crash came; a piece of falling timber striking him upon the head felled him to the floor; regaining his feet in a moment he was knocked down again by still another timber; a second time he essayed to rise and found his escape by the front way completely shut off by the reins, while all around him was burning timber. Groping his way out as best he could to the rear of the store he found some three or four others, like himself, trying to force an exit through the windows, which were fastened and bolted. Mr. Watters describes his situation at this time, surrounded by smoke and flames, as fearful in the extreme; the smoke was fast stifling him but reaching for the bolt, he drew it back while others with their axes battered out the sash and in this way they escaped from the smoke and flames and a most horrible death.

Mr. Watters received two scalp wounds on the head and is badly burned on the neck and hands besides receiving other bruises on the shoulders and legs. His right hand has had the skin all peeled off while his left hand and wrist is blistered in different places. But we are happy to say this gentleman is bearing his sufferings quite heroically as well as philosophically and is able to sit up in his room.

We should have stated, in the proper place, that among those injured was Mr. Charles L. Burkholder, who was one of those caught in the building. He is seriously injured, one of his arms having been broken. Col. Roger Moore was also slightly wounded in the cheek by the ball from an exploding cartridge.

During the progress of the fire the residence of Mrs. M. E. Cushing, on Second street, took fire from a spark, but it was promptly extinguished by the C. M. Steadman Bucket Company.

We come now to the most fearful incident of all, one which we have purposely postponed until the last. It was thought, at the time the last wall fell in, that all who were in the store had not escaped and that one or more bodies would be found buried in the ruins. The distress among those who knew that they had had relatives or friends about the building was very great until they were all accounted for and then it was hoped that all had, indeed, managed to escape. This hope was disappointed yesterday morning by the rumor that Capt. Ellerbrock, of the steam tug, *Wm. Nyce*, was missing. It then became known that Capt. Ellerbrock was seen a short time before the walls fell, at work removing the stock in the store. He was accompanied by his dog, a large animal, and a very intelligent one. This rumor soon assumed positive shape and a search was begun which ended, about 12 o'clock, in finding his body and that of his faithful dog. Capt. Ellerbrock was about midway of the store and it seemed that he must have been caught and held a prisoner behind the counter. His dog was at his feet and between the fast clenched teeth of the dead animal was found a portion of his master's clothing thus evidencing that even to the last the dog had realized his master's peril, and had endeavored to assist him. Capt. Ellerbrock's body was frightfully burned. The clothing had been consumed, the legs were burned away to above the knees, and there were frightful contusions and lacerations on his body and head. The remains were tenderly removed to the Hall of the Hook & Ladder Company. The funeral took place this morning at 10 o'clock, from St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and Rev. Dr. Bernheim made a short but tender address on the occasion, which drew tears from the eyes of all who were present.

The remains were followed to the grave by a large concourse and the two bodies, that of the unfortunate gentleman and his faithful dog, were interred together, the latter at his master's feet. The flags of the different Consulates and of the shipping in port were at half mast during the day.

Capt. William A. Ellerbrock was born in Hamburg, Germany, and was about 24 years of age. He came to this country about 8 years ago, and has been employed on board the steamer *Wm. Nyce* for about 5 years. He was a nephew of Capt. H. T. Lemmerman of this city and was unmarried. His father and mother are still living in his native city. He was, at the time of his lamentable death, in the employ of Messrs. Heide & Co., as commander of the *Wm. Nyce*, and was held in the highest estimation by them as a faithful and energetic officer. Capt. Ellerbrock was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in this city and was also a member of the Young Men's Christian Association connected with that Church, and in both organizations he was held in profound esteem.

Shooting Affray in Smithville.
William Howe, colored, cook on board the United States steamer *Woodbury*, while in the town of Smithville yesterday (Sunday) became intoxicated, and in that condition undertook to force his way into the Ocean House Saloon. Mr. Bryan Morse, the proprietor of the saloon, refused admission to Howe, at which the latter became exasperated and left the premises making threats against the former. Shortly after, Mr. Morse, while on his way to the post-office, saw Howe advancing towards him, and thinking that he had a knife and meant mischief, ordered him to stop. As Howe continued to approach in a menacing manner, he was again warned to stop or he would be shot. The warning not being heeded, Morse then drew his pistol and fired two shots at Howe, both of which took effect—one in the hand and the other in the groin. Bystanders then interfered and separated the parties. Howe was taken to his home in a fainting condition, and it is thought that his injuries will prove fatal.

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Communications must be written on only one side of the paper.
Personalities must be avoided.
And it is especially and particularly understood that the Editor does not always endorse the views of correspondents, unless so stated in the editorial columns.

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the sales of which have astonished the natives. He will return in a day or two with a new other Novelties. Meanwhile we have
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