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CALAMITOUS:

to lay before our readers the following Letter,
My Dear Sir,
The State House, the matchless Staturs occurrence. and the State Library are destroyed by fire!
$\qquad$ ad all but completed their undertaking, only some
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$\qquad$ papers belonging to the different offices in the State
House were saved, but the books in the Library (that apartment being in the attic story) were all burned.
The different buildings in the State House Yard, hati
is to say, the Arsenal, and the Governor's, Secreta-
ry's and Treasurer's offices were saved I repeatedly
beheld the trunceated Statue in the midst of the flames,
and many were the bitter, lamentations I heard that
this proud monument, of the arts could not be
snatched from destruction. The first part of the roof
which fell, was that over the rotunda, in which, you
know, the Statue was erected. By the fall of this, it
was decapitated and dismembered -and it is now a
shapeless mass
I write in haste, anxious that the extent of the mis-
chief done may be known, and that exaggerated ru-
mours, so likely to arise on such occasions, may be put
down



