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*A Further Supplement to an act, entitled, An Act for the better Regulation of Chancery Proceedings in certain cases.*

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**DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN NEW YORK.**

From the N. Y. Commercial of Friday afternoon.

The Lafayette Theatre, with many other buildings, was this morning destroyed by fire. It commenced about 3 o'clock, in a bakery in the rear of the block, bounded on the east by Laurens street, on the west by Thompson street, on the north by Grand street, and on the south by Canal street. In a short period, the flames reached the Theatre, and the whole city was so completely illuminated, that a newspaper could have been read in the lower part of Broadway. [This building extended from Laurens to Thompson street, and in less than two hours was reduced to a heap of ruins. The flames spread with astonishing rapidity to the buildings around it.

The Theatre is said to have cost Mr. Sandford \$300,000, and as the value of the thing is what it will bring in the market, it might not be estimated over \$30,000. It was mortgaged to Henry Yaston, Esq., and no insurance could be effected on it. Estimating the loss of the Theatre at \$50,000, the entire loss of property may be set down at \$75,000.

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Baum seated himself on the stern of the boat, with Elizabeth in his lap, and ordered his men to pull diligently for the opposite shore. They rowed immediately, but soon found their way obstructed by the floating ice. The night was black as Taraxacum; the wind blew piercingly, and the snow fell fast and thick. To the last cent of the ice-cakes, with the scraping of the sides of the boat against their sharp edges, and the dashing of the waters, were all circumstances calculated to inspire horror. But still they urged their passage, now making rapid progress, then rushing against impediments, or forced down the stream by large fragments of ice, which sometimes surrounded and found their boat fast, and then releasing them from imprisonment, permitted it to heave and plunge among the waves.

At one time they rowed, and at another employed their oars as poles, pushing from one field of the ice to another in this way they at last succeeded in reaching Pennsylvania.

Well, done, my lady, said Baum, as he stepped ashore, with the still insensible Elizabeth. To the last cent of the night, I have been your guardian, and I divide her wealth among you for this night's work. But be in a hurry, for we have no time to spend idle in this weather.

"Make your boat fast, and bring your arms, the ropes, the board, and the blankets, and let us be moving on."

"I'll tell you, he continued, as they began their march—I'll tell you a story proving how much I am like the son of a king. It may help cheer our time a while; for we have no very comfortable walks, and need of a little comfortable talk. Well, then, one day, since we came to Trenton, I went into a house where I found my chaplain. He was reading a book called Baucis's Hild, and there was an account of a beautiful young princess named Helen, who had run off with a fellow from a town called Troy. The chaplain told me she had been by the dozen, and