co by the Oregon and Northerne the bullion brought by the former AWFUL COLLISION AT SE. TWO LIVES LOS The steamship Southerner, we we fork on Friday night from into the bark Issae Meed, from N to Savanuah, on Friday morning The latter sank immediately, and were lost. We give (from the count of this terrible enaster to the Southerner:

On Friday, at 2 A. M. lat. 2 sounded in 22 fathoms water; tell 10 minutes after we made a sai bow; put the helm hard aport; gine and backed strong, when we we bucked clear and stopped I the versed went down under our in less than 5 minutes from the in the exertions of the crow and passable to man three of Francia intervention for crew of distress in the exercise of the crew and two passen; three in all She proved to be Mead from New York, for Savan able cargo. She was steering Stew wind to the north blowing su sea; they unfortunately put the board to cross as as they saw is a vessel standing in shore. We very vestige of her disappeared heard but the monating of the sca

Communications FOR THE CHRONI MR. PRINTER.—It appears to many persons that a trial of skill be made between the Fire Enigne 2 and 5, in order to test the pomentine in comparison with the the former ones. I have no doup panies will willingly gratify the order to facilitate the trial, lot a at as early a day as possible, to place, and all matters of detail with —What do you say, young Yours,

Mr. Editor.—Sir, I perceive in given in the newspapers of the to the public by the several Fire to the public by the several Fire Company recently organized u "Fag un Bealac" No. 1. have passed over without notice. "I old No. 1. Engine, which had be rot and decay in Lower Cove, I sy formerly attached to her, an her up in a style which will be to them and the Fire Departs. The old company have not broom to be under up in a style which will be to them and the Fire Departs. The old company have not broom to be under the fire in Mr. Fairw at York Point, in July 1849, even so ungenerous as to affire pany have no right to the nurgine, and that it should be designed to the under the decay of the beauty of the them and the Engine inst given up pany known as "Wellington" as Wellington company have flinesy pretence that Mr. Portmowas foresham of the old comp first organized. They should re be surrendered the Engine an No. went with them, and his collection of the surrendered the Engine an No. went with them, and his collection of the perceive that the series of the perceive that the series of the perceive that the series of the surrendered the Engine an No. went with them, and his collections of the perceive that the series of the perce

newspapers seem to savour veity, relative to the efficiency the meed of praise to No. 5, which of discerning citizens, calt the public, with regard to the Fire Department generally;—shall notice is that made in the which says that No. 5 is the plany. Now, Mr. Editor, this is tion—for No. 2 engine is we especially when it is taken it that that engine is by far the labarious to work of the whole. The "Observer" has also that No. 5 turned out 70 mem the others hearly as strong. It that the members of No. 2 (c 75, which number 1 counted a cession.

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St. John. October 17.

[In publishing the above emust be allowed to dissent firm several particulars. Our object be to set the matter right, and any feeling of neglect or misremay seem to exist. —First the company was overtooked. No our correspondent speaks of in and never rendered any public company is not entitled to the