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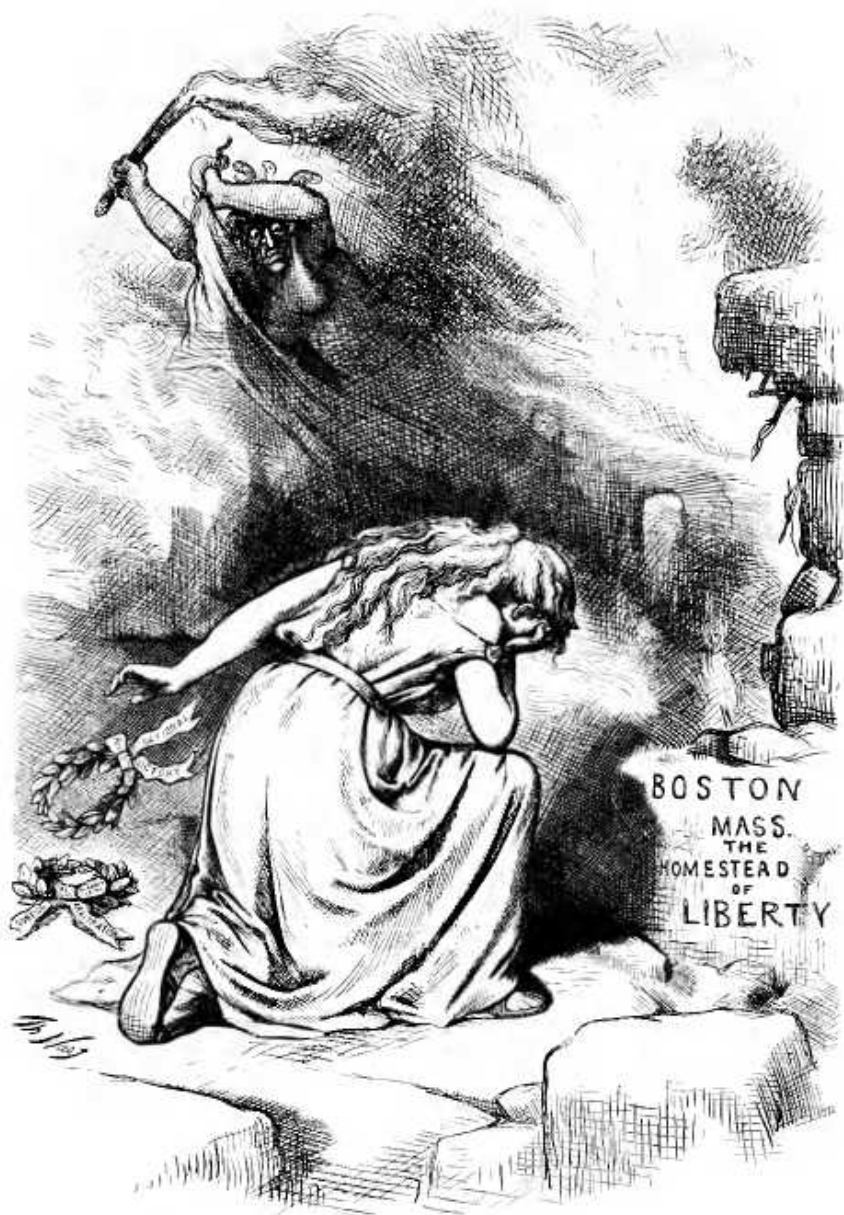
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BURNING OF HER BIRTHPLACE

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PREFACE

THE fact is painfully familiar, that on the 9th of November last, on a calm and mild evening, a fire broke out in the building numbered 83 and 85 Summer Street, and raged without control till the afternoon of the following day, spreading through the best business portions of Boston, covering sixty-five acres with ruins, destroying 776 buildings, assessed at the value of \$13,500,000, and consuming merchandise and other personal property estimated at more than sixty millions of dollars.—*Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the Cause and Management of the Great Fire in Boston.*

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