

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

PORT MONROE, March 8.

The gullness of Old Point was started to day by the announcement that a suspicious looking vessel, supposed to be the Merrimac, looking like a submerged house with the roof only above water, was moving down from Norfolk by the channel in front of Sewell's Point.

There was nothing protruding above the water but a flag-staff, flying the rebel flag, and a short smoke-stack. She moved along slowly, and turned into the channel leading to Newport News, and steamed direct for the frigates Cumberland and Congress, which were lying at the mouth of James River.

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It is reported that in their retreat the Confederates have destroyed the railroad bridge across the north fork of the Rappahannock. In their haste they have left behind straggling parties of soldiers who seem to be very glad to be made prisoners.

Wherever they have gone it is evident that their army is completely demoralized and utterly unfit for service. The moral effect of the retreat from Manassas to Richmond will be the same throughout the South as it is in the part of Virginia just evacuated, where the impression prevails that the Southern Confederacy has collapsed, and many of the people thank God for it.

The forts are all abandoned, but log huts, hundreds in number, and ample to accommodate fully 30,000 troops, still remain. Heaps of dead horses cover the field in the vicinity. The railroad track is undisturbed except the bridge. The stone bridge across Bull Run on the Warrenton Turnpike is blown up, as is also the bridge across Cub Run, between Centerville and Manassas.

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tual consent or necessity, could not be ascertained. The rebel battery at Pig Point was also enabled to join in the combined attack on the Minnesota, and several guns were fired at her from Sewell's Point as she went up. None of them struck her, but one or two passed over.

The Baltimore boat left Old Point at eight o'clock last night. In about half an hour after she left the wharf the iron clad Ericsson steamer 'Monitor' passed her, going in, towed by a large steamer. The 'Monitor' undoubtedly reached Fortress Monroe by nine o'clock, and may have immediately gone into service. If not, she would be ready to take a land early on Sunday morning.

The foregoing are all the facts as far as can at present be ascertained, and are probably the worst possible versions of the affair.

WASHINGTON, March 11.

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Intelligence gathered at Manassas and in the neighborhood tends to show that the whole Confederate army has retired southward. It is not credited that they will attempt to make a stand at that point, as the country is all open, level and unpromising for defensive warfare.

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Northern Railway of Canada.

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Richmond Hill P.O. to Railway station. Morning mail for Toronto closed at 7.00 a.m. Railway Post Office going north at 7.00 a.m. Evening mail for Toronto closed at 5.30 p.m.

New Advertisements. Credit Sale by Auction—See Thor. MacLeod. Card—William Hodge, Senr. List of Letters remaining in Richmond Hill Post Office.

The York Herald.

RICHMOND HILL, MAR. 11, 1862.

CLEAR-GUT INCONSISTENCY.

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The Merrimac was also believed to be aground, as she remained stationary at a distance of a mile from the Minnesota, making no attempt to attack or molest her.

Province. The Globe calls upon Upper Canadians to turn out the Ministry on account of French domination; while Le Pays urges the people of the Lower Province to oust Mr. Cartier and his colleagues for the opposite reason.

Mr. Brown tells us that the French have everything their own way; while Mr. Dorion affirms that the rights of his countrymen are sacrificed in the interest of persons of British origin.

Friday, March 21.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock and Farming Utensils, the property of Mr. Benjamin Brillinger, lot No. 4 rear of the 3rd concession Whitehorse. Sale at 11 a.m. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

Friday, March 22.—Credit Sale of superior Farm Stock, &c., the property of Nor. Thor. MacLeod, Esq., on lot No. 60, 1st con. Vaughan. Sale at 11 a.m. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

Friday, March 23.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, &c., the property of Mr. George Grant, lot No. 50, 1st con. Markham, near Richmond Hill. Sale at 11 a.m. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

Friday, March 28.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock, &c., the property of Mr. Louis Czerwinski, lot No. 5, rear of the 4th con. Whitehorse. Sale at 1 p.m. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

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ARRIVAL OF THE 'NORTH AMERICAN.' PORTLAND, March 11. The steamship North American arrived at half-past seven this morning.

PARIS, Feb. 28. The Opinion Nationale says:—Reactionary movements are being organized at Trieste, Malta, and Rome, and will disembark simultaneously at several points on Neapolitan territory.

TRIESTE, Feb. 27. The garrison at Trepolitz, following the example of the garrison at Nauplia, had revolted.

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FRANCE. The Senate continued the debate on the Address. A paragraph upon increased taxation was under discussion. M. De Beaumont expressed regret that such increase was considered necessary.

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FACTS FOR POOR FARMERS.—Those farmers who have most difficulty to make ends meet always plough most and keep most stock. Now these men take the true plan to always keep themselves poor, because their crops and stock are always poor and bring little.

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TORONTO MARKETS.

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The Infant Yankee.—A late lecturer remarked that it wouldn't be a very violent stretch of the imagination to believe that a Massachusetts baby, six months old, sits in its mother's lap, eyeing his own cradle, to see if he could not invent a better; or, at least suggest some improvement.

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