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TELEGRAPHIC.

Richmond, March 10.—The Nor-
folk Day Book of this morning says the
Virginia sunk the Cumberland
after fifteen minutes fighting. The
Virginia ran within point blank range
and fired her bow guns, several of
which took effect, and then struck
her with the ram, causing her to reel,
careen, and sink. Her officers and
crew escaped in the small boats, and
many were captured by the Confed-
erates, while a number were drowned.
Three wounded men were sunk with
the Cumberland.

The Congress was next attacked,
and resisted gallantly, but was forced
to run ashore and hoist the white flag.
Her crew were taken off by the Con-
federate gunboats. The Yankees
fired on us with Minnie muskets
while lending assistance to the Con-
gress.

One shot dismantled two guns,
killed sixteen men, and tore the Con-
gress to pieces.

While the Virginia engaged the
batteries at Newport News, the Min-
nesota came up. She engaged our
Sewell's Point batteries and got
aground. She was then attacked by
the Confederate gunboats Jamestown
and Patrick Henry with great fierce-
ness, doing her much damage. The
Federal frigate St. Lawrence came to
the assistance of the Minnesota, and
she also got aground.

The Eriesson engaged the Vir-
ginia at a distance of thirty or forty
yards when the Virginia ran aground.
The Eriesson took advantage of this,
and poured shot after shot into her
but with no effect. After getting off
the Virginia ran into the Eriesson

with her prow and she fled.

Many of the enemy's gunboats are
sunk and disabled. The Minnesota
is completely riddled, and the St.
Lawrence disabled.

The enemy's loss in both days is
estimated at from 600 to 1200. Out
of five hundred men on the Cumber-
land only about one hundred escaped.

All the batteries on Newport
News were silenced except two.

The Congress was set on fire by
our vessels on Saturday night about
midnight, causing her magazine to
explode. The Federal tugs and
steamers went to the assistance of the
Minnesota and St. Lawrence, but
could not haul them off the bar. The
enemy's loss in killed and wounded
is very great. Our total loss is nine
killed and twelve wounded. Twenty-
three prisoners were brought to Nor-
folk on Saturday night.

The Virginia had two men killed
and five wounded.

A small Yankee schooner was
captured and sent to Norfolk. Two
others have since been captured.

Richmond, March 10.—Congress
discussed the operations of Gen. A.
S. Johnston in Tennessee. A long
and warm debate took place. Atkins
said nearly every member of the
Tennessee legislature had signed a
petition for the removal of General
Johnston from the department of
Tennessee. The petition has been
presented to the President.

Norfolk, March 9.—The Eriesson
ram battery appeared in Hampton
Roads this morning, when a fierce
engagement took place with the Vir-
ginia, which continued for hours.—
The latter ran into the Eriesson and
damaged her considerably. The
Virginia fired a shot through a large
tug boat, which was attempting to
get off the Minnesota is crippled and
can't float, and will be a total loss.
A large portion of the stern works
were shot away and riddled by balls.

Memphis, March 11.—The reports
by telegraph from Fort Smith, of the
9th, state that our troops, under Van
Dorn and Price, engaged the Fed-
erals and fought them for three days,
on the 5th, 6th and 7th, at Pea Ridge,
Benton county, Arkansas, near the
Missouri line.

Our loss is heavy. Gens. McCul-
loch and McIntosh were killed. On
the 7th Gen. Slack was mortally
wounded, Gen. Price wounded in the
arm, Col. McKee killed and Colonel
Sims wounded in the arm.

Our forces are in the rear of the
Federal forces and driving them
southward, and are sanguine of suc-
cess. We are looking for further
news every hour. The bodies of
McCulloch and McIntosh have been
brought in for interment.

Richmond, March 11.—The Presi-
dent has sent a message to Congress
stating that he has suspended Gens.
Floyd and Pillow from command
until they give more satisfactory ac-
counts of the action at Fort Donel-
son. The President is unsatisfied
with their reports.

The official reports of the action in
Hampton Roads has been received.
Our combined squadron had only 21
guns. The Federal frigate Cumber-
land had 24 guns, the Congress 50,
the St. Lawrence 50, the Minnesota
and Roanoke, each 40, besides the

Newport News batteries and small
steamers armed with heavy rifled
cannon.

The engagement lasted three hours.
The flag of the Congress and the
sword of her commander are in the
Navy Department.

The casualties of the Confederates
were—Capt. Buchanan wounded with
a Minnie ball in the thigh, seriously;
Lt. Minor wounded in the left side,
not dangerous; two men killed, and
five wounded.

Congress has passed a vote of
thanks to Capt. Buchanan, officers,
and men, of the Virginia, and other
Confederate vessels, for their unsur-
passed gallantry in the late action at
Hampton Roads.

The House passed resolutions ad-
vising planters not to sow cotton or
tobacco this year, but to raise pro-
visions, hogs and cattle.

The Senate passed a bill to organ-
ize the Supreme Court of the Con-
federacy.

New Madrid, March 9.—The at
this point is reported to-day to be
thirty thousand strong.

Gen McCown's command continues
to hold them in check.

Skirmishing between the pickets
is going all the time, but only a few
have been injured on our side. The
loss of the enemy is reported consid-
erable each day. Our troops are
buoyant and hopeful. A great battle
is certain to ensue at this point.

Gen. McCown has his batteries in
fine condition. Every able-bodied
man should at once take the field.

Norfolk, March 11.—The Minnes-
ota reached Fortress Monroe on Sat-
urday, in a very crippled condition.
All the guns in the fortifications at
Newport News, excepting one, were
silenced by the Virginia and other
Confederate ships for an hour, and the
garrison evacuated.

Liet. Taylor, who was wounded by
the enemy under a white flag, died
yesterday.

Capt. Buchanan and Lieut. Minor
were also treacherously shot by the
enemy under a white flag. They are
still improving.

They enemy killed two of their
own men in firing on us, after they
raised the white signal.

The Eriesson battery, after being
struck by the Virginia, retreated to
Fortress Monroe.

In the battle, yesterday, there were
eight Confederates killed and ten
wounded.

It is supposed the Cumberland lost
in killed and wounded 200 men.

On board the Congress, there were
one hundred killed. It was the Fed-
eral gunboats that were burnt, and
not the Minnesota, as supposed.

The loss of the Federals is as fol-
lows, viz: Two first class frigates,
fully armed, furnished and equipped;
four gunboats, and one merchant
schooner captured and brought into
harbor, and the best frigate they have
placed hors du combat for at least
three months.

Decatur, March 10.—Fears were
yesterday entertained that Captain
Morgan, with his cavalry command,
had been cut-off by the enemy. He
returned, however, this morning to his
camp at Murfreesboro, having been
absent since the night of the 8th
inst., on scouting service.

Yesterday, Sunday, he engaged
the enemy on the Murfreesboro pike
road, six miles from Nashville, and
after a brilliant skirmish succeeded
in capturing 98 prisoners, among
whom was Gen. Mitchel's aid. He
also destroyed a large provision train.

The enemy being soon after rein-
forced, recaptured sixty of their men,
who were under a guard of only ten
men.

Capt. Morgan succeeded in bringing
in thirty-eight prisoners after a hard
chase in which he eluded the enemy,
who at one time had nearly surround-
ed him. Four of Morgan's men are
missing.

A detachment of forty of Colonel
Scott's Louisiana Cavalry, under the
command of Capt. Gustavus Scott,
made an attack upon the enemy yester-
day on the Franklin pike, six miles
from Nashville.

The Federals, 120 strong, were
routed, 20 of them killed, and 40 of
their guns captured. Their tents were
also burned.

Our loss was two killed—Corporal
Jaffries, of company C, and private
E. Kogle, of company K.

Clarksville, March 12.—A gentle-
man just arrived, who left Van Buren
yesterday morning, reports that Gen.
Van Dorn and Price, with their ar-
mies, are seated Boston Mountain.

The baggage train arrived at the
Mountain safely on Monday evening.

Gen. Gordon, of Mo., brought up
the rear with 6000 troops and one
battery of artillery. He had hard fight-
ing with the enemy a short distance
north of Fayetteville.

Our forces, numbering about twenty
thousand, attacked the enemy in
much larger force at Elkhorn in this
State.

The battle the first day lasted
from two o'clock, A. M., until dark,
the loss on both sides being heavy.

Gens. McCulloch, McIntosh and
Hebert were killed; also a great many
other officers of lower grade.

Gen. Slack was badly if not mortally
wounded. Our army slept on the
battle field the first night, having
driven the enemy from his position.
The enemy then took a second and
stronger position, and we being with-
out our supply train, had to fall back
to get provisions. Our exact loss
cannot be ascertained at present.

Gen. McIntosh fell at the head of
his command early in the action; also
Gen. Hebert. Gen. Price was wound-
ed in the arm the first day of the
fight.

Prisoners taken report their loss
over 6000. Our loss in round num-
bers is estimated at 2000 killed and
wounded.

Our train is now at Sickerson
Boston Mountain, out of reach of the
enemy, and will be up soon.

Our army fought the enemy on all
sides, completely passing around them.

The Blockade.—The Savannah
News of the 7th, has a dispatch from
Charleston stating that the steamer
Catawba, from Havana, had run the
blockade on the 6th, and was dis-
charging her cargo of valuable mer-
chandise at the Charleston wharf—
Mr. Yancey had arrived at Havana.
The steamers Vanderbilt and Florida,
from New Orleans, and several sailing
vessels, from Mobile and New Or-
leans, arrived safe at Havana.