

The Press

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1861.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAST SPEECH OF SEYMOUR A. MITCHELL...

THE LATEST WAR NEWS.

Our readers will find that most important intelligence in this morning's paper, from nearly every quarter.

By the arrival of the Europa, at Halifax, further particulars have been received of the effect in England of the news of the arrest of Mason and Sittell.

It is added that, in view of hostilities, the exportation of nitre and other ingredients in the manufacture of gunpowder has been prohibited by England.

It is right to add that some of the liberal London journals think this intelligence premature and exaggerated; but the Observer, a semi-official journal, publishes the statements.

On this subject, one sentence as good as a hundred. If we know the feeling of the President, the Cabinet, and the people, the required apology and "repatriation" will be made.

It is evident that great excitement has been created by the capture of Mason and Sittell.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

THE EUROPA AT HALIFAX.

IMPORTANT FROM ENGLAND.

THE RESTORATION OF MASON AND SIDDELL, WITH AN APOLOGY, DEMANDED.

THE THUNDERER HAS NO HOPE THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL ACCORD TO HIS DEMANDS.

A SPECIAL MESSENGER SENT WITH DESPATCHES TO LORD LYONS.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR.

THE FORCE IN CANADA TO BE IMMEDIATELY INCREASED.

ARMSTRONG GUNS AND 50,000 ENFIELD RIFLES BEING SHIPPED THITHER.

THEY THREATEN TO RAISE THE SOUTHERN BLOCKADE.

HALIFAX, Dec. 15.—The royal mail steamer Europa has arrived at this port, with highly important intelligence.

She was detained at Queenstown till the 24, by order of the Government.

She has the Queen's messenger on board, with despatches for Lord Lyons.

The steamer Europa arrived on the 29th ult.

The London Times, regarding the detention of the British Cabinet at the arrest of Mason and Sittell is a clear violation of the law of nations.

It is not to be doubted that hopes of freedom are steadily making desperate efforts to realize them.

No matter what may have been the origin of the fire, the people who commenced the rebellion and rejoiced over the fall of Fort Sumpter, must now be in a feverishly distressed condition.

Yesterday afternoon, after five o'clock, her crew were ordered to leave the vessel.

The N. Y. Herald of yesterday, in commenting upon the late fall of Charleston, says:

It is worthy of remark that Institute Hill, where the Confederate Congress was held, is now in the hands of the party and split the nation, the theatre, to which the Secessionists retired to make a separate Legislature.

Previous to leaving town, the three Ministers had attended Cabinet Council at Lord Palmerston's official residence.

The Observer also says that a special messenger of the British Government has been sent to Washington, to demand the restoration of Mason and Sittell.

The public will be satisfied to know that these demands are for an apology, and to insist on the restoration of the arrested and detained British agents.

Another important battle has been fought in Western Virginia, in which the Union troops were victorious.

The Louisville Journal says that there is a report at Paducah, Kentucky, that the Unionists of that county, Tenn., had a fight with the Secessionists, a few days ago, on the occasion of the drafting of soldiers at Dresden, and that about fifty of the latter were killed.

It is not impossible that this vessel will be escorted by one or two ships-of-war.

The rise are intended for the Canadian military, and a strong reinforcement of field artillery will be dispatched forthwith.

The Times of the 15th inst. of the 20th says that the blockade of Charleston is ineffectual, the parties of the blockade are in a state of anarchy.

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Rupture with England.

The mail steamer Europa has arrived at Halifax, after having been detained twenty-four hours at Queenstown, to take aboard a Queen's messenger with special despatches for Lord Lyons.

Commercial Intelligence.

Liverpool, Dec. 15.—The cotton market has been quiet, and the price of the goods has advanced.

Western Virginia Clear of Rebels.

The Twenty-third Regiment of Pennsylvania, commanded by Col. Dineen, was presented to-day with a flag, the gift of that State.

THE WAR IN KENTUCKY.

The forward movement to Bowling Green, both armies at Commerce, fortifying.

THE WAR IN MISSOURI.

Reported Battle at Lexington. MARAUDING BANDS OF REBELS CAPTURED. GEN. SHIELDS ACCEPTS THE BRIGADIER GENERALSHIP.

FROM GEN. BANKS' COLUMN.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE. THE FIRE STILL RAGING AT CHARLESTON ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

THE LIGHT SEEN AT SEA.

FROM WASHINGTON.

THE RECEPTION OF CAPTAIN WILKES. Official Despatch from the Commander of the Ironclads.

WHY SHE DID NOT CAPTURE THE SUMPTER.

Special Despatches to "The Press."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14, 1861.

The Cruise of the Ironclads in Pursuit of the Sumpter.

The Navy Department has received despatches from Capt. Patterson, commanding the Ironclad, which minutely relates his movements, in order to capture the pirate Sumpter.

THE SUMPTER HAD BEEN RECEIVED WITH COURTESY AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

The Sumpter had been received with courtesy at the seat of Government, and Captain Patterson's report, in relation to the capture of the Sumpter, is a most interesting one.

THE MAJORITY OF THE CITIZENS OF PORT ROYAL WERE IN FAVOR OF THE SUMPTER.

The majority of the citizens of Port Royal were in favor of the Sumpter, and, therefore, anxious for its capture.

THE TRAITOR WHO WAS SHOT.

Twelve men were detailed to shoot the traitor Johnston, who was executed on Friday afternoon.

THE PROPERTY DESTROYED.

The property destroyed, in the burning of the buildings, banks, and business houses in the burnt district—names of the buildings, banks, and business houses.

REBELLION OFFICES.

Bank of Charleston, Broad street. Bank of Charleston, Broad street.

REPORTS MADE AT LEXINGTON.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—The Democrat learns from Lexington, that the rebels were in possession of that town on Friday last, and another report says that they were in possession of that town on Saturday last.

FROM CALIFORNIA.

860,000 IN TREASURE EN ROUTE. GENERAL SHIELDS ACCEPTS THE BRIGADIER GENERALSHIP.

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—During the past few days the rebels have been in possession of the city of Sacramento, and have been causing a great deal of trouble.

ACCIDENT TO A RAILROAD EMPLOYEE.

A railroad employee was killed on Saturday last, while engaged in his duties.

DEATH OF A PROHIBITION HIGH-SCHOOL ALUMNUS.

A prohibition high-school alumnus died on Saturday last, while engaged in his duties.

THE NINETEENTH-WARD WARDEN CAPTURED.

The nineteenth-ward warden was captured on Saturday last, while engaged in his duties.

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THE BRITISH CABINET'S ULTIMATUM—THE DELIVERY OF THE PRISONERS AND FULL REPARATION.

The British Cabinet's ultimatum—the delivery of the prisoners and full reparation. The ultimatum is a demand for the restoration of Mason and Sittell, and for full reparation for the detention of the British agents.

THE PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON THE ULTIMATUM.

The Parliamentary debate on the ultimatum. The debate was held in the House of Commons, and was a most interesting one.

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