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THE DAILY POST. TUESDAY MORNING, JULY 23, 1861. It would appear that the rebel leaders were by some means, probably advised of the intentions of our government, notwithstanding their precipitate flight from Fairfax Court-House.

A correspondent of a Charleston paper, writing from Richmond, July 23, says: "An officer in the army at Manassas Junction, who is a friend of General Beauregard, and near him constantly, arrived in Richmond yesterday, and reports that the General does not anticipate a battle on his line for two or three weeks."

The Richmond Examiner has a letter from a correspondent at Norfolk, dated July 9, which says: "Captain Murry, late of the Washington Observatory, left here this morning. It is understood that he has been planning in the approaches to this city some of the most formidable submarine batteries. They will be quite a match for any iron-plated ships that the enemy can bring. The like are to be planted in all our rivers, so as to render our people in cities perfectly secure against any approach by water."

A writer to the Charleston Mercury of the 8th inst. alluding to military insipidities and orders, thus concludes his communication: "Most of our volunteers are actuated by the highest motives and cheerfully perform their duties without reference to fines and punishment. But there are many who are kept to the mark by the law alone, and some have even declared that they will never go into the field again, except a battle is raging, if no penalty attaches for a refusal. Amid these discouragements who would be a volunteer officer?"

The New Orleans Sunday Delta of the 14th inst. advises the planters to pick their cotton and store it unseeded in pens, well covered, and abide events. If the Northern army approach, the planters are told to commit the cotton to the flames. This applies to the present crop. In relation to future crops, they are to prepare to reduce the production to a very low figure, and devote their labor and land to other productions which will be needed for consumption during the war, and to rest on the presumption that the contact is to be a protracted one.

Carrollford. The bravery of the Indiana and Ohio troops at Carrollford is worthy of great praise. The gallant Col. Lander led the charge, and no hero could have led it better. The results of the taking of Rich Mountain in triumph were rotated with a loss of two hundred killed, a thousand prisoners, and a large amount of army stores and equipment. The news of this route fortified General Garnett and he fled towards Eastern Virginia, and thus the whole rebel army in North-western Virginia is swept away, and Western Virginia is free from this time henceforth and forever from the crushing despotism of Richmond, and all fear of an invasion of rebels. There may be a slight attempt to make resistance to the Government on the Great Kanawha, but this great victory of General McClellan will take from it all heart and hope, and nothing can be done. On our part we have lost no lives, scarcely our raw troops have not only stood firm, but have faithfully returned it, and they are all strong and brave for further conquests. Take it in all respects, it is a noble beginning for Maj. Gen. McClellan's campaign, and it is most evident that the Government has put the right man in the right place. McClellan is a young man, only thirty-six years of age, but he is cautious and wise and indomitable: the country will watch him admiringly.

"CONFEDERATE." This word, says the Boston Transcript, is by the common usage of our language generally employed in a bad sense. The English speaks of the foes of Joshua as "confederates" against him. Shakespeare speaks of "vile confederates," and "false confederates," of being "confederate with an old man's pack," the best Italian and his "confederates," and similar instances. Cooper speaks of "hellish foes confederate" for "an evil purpose. Selkirk" do we see the word used for a good one? The adoption of this word by the seceders will confirm this usage. They are confederates to hold up a most infernal system by means of the most abominable of means. We say that the only English play where every character is morally worthless is Vanburgh's "Confederate," and from this comedy even Mr. Jefferson Davis and Mr. Robert Toombs might obtain hints for new contrivances of villainy. To be sure, the word has its honest and honorable meaning, but still throughout English literature

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