

tremendous. The walls were battered in hundreds of places; but no breach was made.

Major Anderson expressed himself much pleased that no lives had been sacrificed, and that the bloodless victory.

The number of soldiers in the fort was about seventy, besides twenty-five workmen, who assisted at the guns. His stock of provisions was almost exhausted, however. He would have been starved out in two more days.

Visitors reported that Major Anderson surrendered because his quarters were not comfortable, and he had no hope of reinforcements.

The fleet laid by during thirty hours, and either could not or would not help him. Besides, his own men were prostrated from over exertion. There were but five hundred badly and one thought mortally—but the rest were worn out.

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Within Fort Sumter everything but the casemates is in utter ruin. The whole thing looks like a blackened mass of ruins. Many guns are dismantled. The side opposite Cummings' Point is the hardest dealt with.

The rifle cannon from this place played great havoc with Fort Sumter. The walls looked like honey-comb. Near the top is a breach as big as a cart. The side opposite Fort Moultrie is honey-combed extensively, as is that opposite the floating battery.

Fort Moultrie is badly damaged. The officers' quarters and barracks are torn to shreds. The frame houses on the island are riddled with shot in many instances, and whole sides of houses are torn out.

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CHARLESTON, April 14. The last act in the drama of Fort Sumter has been concluded. Major Anderson has evacuated, and with his command departed by the steamer Isabel from the harbor. He saluted the flag, and the company then forming upon the parade ground, marched out upon the wharf, with drum and file playing "Yankee Doodle."

During the salute a pile of cartridges burst in the casemates, killing two men and wounding four others. One was buried in the fort with military honors. The other will be buried by the soldiers of South Carolina.

The wounded men were brought to the city, where they are receiving the best surgical attention. The others went in the steamer.

Thirty Men killed on Sullivan's Island.

The correspondent of the Providence Journal, writing that paper, during the battle, says:

A boat has just arrived from Morris and Sullivan's Islands, leaving at 8 o'clock, and reports that on Sullivan's Island Anderson has done fearful execution—thirty men are known to have been killed and many wounded. None killed yet on Morris Island.

The President's Reply to the Virginia Commissioners.

The following is the reply of Mr. Lincoln to the Virginia Commissioners:

Gentlemen: As a Committee of the Virginia Convention, now in session, you present me a preamble and resolution, as follows: "Whereas, in the opinion of this Convention, the uncertainty which prevails in the public mind as to the policy which the Federal Executive intends to pursue toward the second States is extremely injurious to the commercial and agricultural interests of the country, tends to keep up an excitement which is unfavorable to the adjustment of the pending difficulties, and threatens a disturbance of the public peace; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee of three delegates be appointed to wait on the President of the United States, present to him this preamble, and respectfully request him to communicate to this Convention the policy which the Federal Executive intends to pursue in regard to the Confederate States."

In answer I have to say that having, at the beginning of my official term, expressed my intended policy as plainly as I was able, it is with deep regret and mortification I now learn there is great and injurious uncertainty in the public mind as to what that policy is, and what course I intend to pursue.

Not having as yet, occasion to change, it is my purpose to pursue the course marked out in the inaugural address. I commend a careful consideration of the whole document as the best expression I can give to my purposes.

As I then repeat, the power confided to me will be used to hold, occupy and possess property and places belonging to the Government, and to collect the duties on imports; but beyond what is necessary for these objects there will be no invasion, no using of force against or among the people anywhere.

By the words property and places belonging to the Government, I chiefly allude to the military posts and property which were in possession of the Government when it came into my hands, but it, as now appears to be true, in pursuit of a purpose to drive the U. S. authorities from their places, an unprovoked assault has been made upon Fort Sumter. I shall hold myself at liberty to repulse it, even on the like places which had been seized before the government was devolved upon me, and in any event I shall to the best of my ability repel force by force.

In case it proves true that Fort Sumter has been assaulted, as reported, I shall perhaps cause the all United States to be withdrawn from all the States which claim to have seceded, believing that actual war against the Government justifies and possibly demands it.

I scarcely need say that I consider the military posts and property situated within the States which claim to have seceded, as yet belonging to the United States Government, as much as they did before the supposed secession. Whatever else I may do for the purpose, I shall not attempt to collect the duties and revenues by any armed invasion of any part of the country, not meaning by this, however, that I may not land a force deemed necessary to relieve a fort upon the border of the country.

From the fact that I have quoted a part of the inaugural address, it must not be inferred that I repudiate any other part—the whole of which I reaffirm, except so far as what I now say of the walls may be regarded as a modification.

The Portland Rifle Corps have voted to tender their services to the Governor. Portland has the honor of furnishing the first company in the Maine Regiment. S. E. Spring of Portland has also tendered a loan of \$50,000 to the State.

A dispatch from Washington, says Fort Pickens has been reinforced. Gen. Scott says that if this post is attacked it will be the bloodiest engagement ever known on this continent.

Jeff Davis has issued a Proclamation, authorizing Privateers to be fitted out. Let's see them get to sea.

DROWNED. James Sawyer of Mexico while starting a jam of logs on Swift River in Mexico, on Sunday last was thrown into the water and drowned. His body had not been found on Monday morning. Mr. Sawyer was a very worthy and respectable citizen and leaves a wife and two children.

We received a detailed account of the above casualty as our paper was nearly made up, and regret that space will not admit of its publication. The unfortunate man floated a quarter of a mile, in the boiling current, beyond the reach of his comrades, before he finally disappeared, and just before going over the dam, he raised himself upon a log and cast a sad look upon his home, upon the bank of the stream. Mr. W. M. Blanchard, who was engaged upon the jam, escaped with difficulty, being considerably bruised.

Special dispatch to the Advertiser.

From Augusta.

Augusta, Me., April 17. Volunteers are offering by letter and otherwise hourly.

Democrats and Republicans unite in commending the prompt action of the State Government.

Judge Cutting has been re-nominated.

Dates from California announce the election of McDougal to the U. S. Senate.

As he was supported by Republicans and Douglas Democrats, we have assurance that he is a Union man, and will be able to reach Washington in season for the extra session.

The Farmer states that B. G. Baldwin, commandant of the arsenal at Augusta, has resigned, having received an appointment in his native State, Virginia. The Farmer learns that he is a Union man.

The Portland Rifle Guards, Capt. Wm. M. Shaw, whose praiseworthy movement we noticed yesterday, to tender the services of the company to Gov. Washburn.

Our venerable fellow citizen, Gen. Samuel Fessenden yesterday presented the company, through their Quarter Master, a splendid American flag 15 feet long, bearing 34 stars.

[Advertiser, 18th.]

During the severe gale of Tuesday night, the barn on Lincoln Street, owned by Thomas Crocker, Esq.,—to which the boys have affixed the name of "Utah barn,"—was blown down. The building was not very strong, having been considerably shattered by a previous gale, and contained no property of value.

A bouquet of the "Trailing Arbutus," the first of the season, graces our table as we write,—Thursday morning.

Boston, April 17.—The 34, 4th, 7th, and 8th Regiments are expected to leave during to-night. A portion, via Fall River, for whom the steamer State of Maine has been chartered, detachments by way of Worcester and New Haven, and one regiment by steamer S. R. Spaulding, for Fort Monroe, direct.

DIPHTHERIA CURED!

By Week's Magic Compound.

I think, taking Week's Magic Compound altogether, it is the best thing I ever knew. I know of several persons who have been entirely cured of some severe cases of Diphtheria, by using it. I have purchased over two dozen bottles for friends, who have used it with the utmost satisfaction.

JOHN C. GERRY, Administrator.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE. Whereas, Robert Foster, of Backfield, in the County of Oxford, by his two mortgages, does, on dated March 21, 1859, and recorded with said Records, book 116, page 264, the other dated April 16, 1860, and recorded with said Records, book 120, page 139, where reference may be had for description, contents to me a certain tract of land situated in Backfield, with the buildings thereon, being his homestead farm, to secure the payment of certain notes named in said mortgages; and whereas the conditions of said mortgages have been and remain broken; I claim to foreclose the same, agreeably to the statute in this case provided.

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MARRIED.

In Dixfield, 7th, by E. Winter, Esq., Mr. Isaac Torrey to Miss Cordelia Marsh, both of Dixfield.

In Lincoln, April 7, by Rev. S. Howe, Isaac Melancthon to Miss Cordelia Marsh, both of Dixfield.

DAUGHTER OF JAMES HAMMOND, Esq. of Lincoln.

DIED.

In Byron, Ruth Cole, aged 82. She was married to Rev. John Cole of Lincoln, March 1808.

In Backfield, April 12, of crop, Harold Wood, only son of Charles B. and Emily O. (11 months, aged 3 years and eight months. He was a child of much promise and rare accomplishments. His death was a great affliction to his parents; and this dispensation of Providence has called forth the warmest sympathy of all his numerous friends. May their Heavenly Father mercifully comfort the great affliction to their bereaved souls.

In Fryburg, 12th, Mrs. Hannah, wife of J. W. R. Farrington, aged 42.

CHARLES E. HOLT, Attorney and Counsellor at Law DENMARK, ME.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, Attorney and Counsellor at Law BROWNFIELD, OXFORD CO., ME.

GUARDIAN'S SALE. Pursuant to a license from the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, the undersigned, guardian of John P. Barker et al., minor children and heirs of Philip P. Barker, deceased, will sell, to the highest bidder, on Monday, the third day of May, next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, certain real estate situated in Fryburg, in the County of Oxford, and being three-fifths of an acre, and undivided of the homestead lot of Philip P. Barker, late of said Fryburg, deceased, subject to the life lease of John Barker and wife, and the claim of Charles F. Barker for betterments and the widow's dower.

RICHARD BARKER, Guardian. Fryburg, April 9, 1861.

S. B. BEAN, DEPUTY SHERIFF, OXFORD COUNTY. All precepts sent to Brownfield, Oxford County will be promptly attended to. Jan 6, 1861. 50

J. S. POWERS, DEPUTY SHERIFF, FRYBURG, ME. All precepts by mail promptly attended to. Jan 1, 1861. 51

State of Maine. Treasurer's Office, Augusta, April 12, 1861.

UPON the following townships or tracts of land not liable to be assessed in any town or township, the following assessments were made by an Act of the Legislature, approved on the 6th day of March, 1861.

COUNTY OF OXFORD. Andover North Surplus and West, Five C. Surplus, thirty-four cents, 51

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No. 4, R. 1, Twelve dollars, fifty cents, 127

No. 5, R. 1, Nine dollars, thirty-eight cents, 91

No. 4, R. 2, Six dollars, eighty-eight cents, 61

No. 5, R. 2, Seven dollars, eighty-eight cents, 71

No. 4, R. 2, Six dollars, twenty-five cents, 61

No. 5, R. 2, Four dollars, sixty-nine cents, 46

No. 4, R. 4, Six dollars, twenty-five cents, 61

No. 5, R. 4, Seven dollars, thirty-four cents, 71

No. 4, R. 5, Two dollars, eighty-one cents, 25

N. H. No. 5, R. 5, One dollar, fifty-six cents, 11

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NATHAN E. LIBBY, MACHINIST, NORWAY, ME.

WOULD respectfully announce to his friends and the public generally, that he has opened a shop in Norway, Me., for the prosecution of the

MACHINE BUSINESS, IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

And hopes, by faithful and prompt attention to business to receive a share of public patronage. Having recently put in a steam engine, thus insuring constant power, he can with confidence assure the public that all work entrusted to his care will be executed with faithfulness and dispatch.

He manufactures to order Daniels' and Cylinder Planers, C. every description.

PLANERS FOR PLOW BEAMS, Turning and Rolling Machines, Saw and Lathe Abers, Sash Sticks, Vice, Clamp and Press Screws, &c.

MALLETS' BEADING ATTACHMENT, For leading beds, turning banisters, hoe and fork handles, or any surface desired.

Steam Engines Built and Repaired. Mill Work, Fuging and Pattern Making done to order. Patented Steam Engines, in repairing; Machinery taken to and from the depot at South Paris free of charge.

April 2, 1861.

FARM FOR SALE! The subscriber offers for sale THE BEAN FARM, (so called,) situated one mile from Bean's Corner, and 4 miles from the Depot at Rock's Mills, in Oxford County.

Said farm contains about one hundred and eighty-five acres. One hundred acres are in a high state of cultivation, the balance being divided into pasture, woodland, &c. The whole making it one of the most desirable locations in this State. It will be sold.

AT A GREAT BARGAIN! For further particulars call on John D. Hastings and Francis Bates, near the premises, or on the subscriber at Rockford Corner.

MARY ANN BULLOCK, April 5, 1861. 104

DR. A. THOMPSON, DENTIST, No. 2, Beal's Block, NORWAY VILLAGE, ME.

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY'S ESTATE.

THE subscriber, executor of the last will and testament of William C. Whitney, Esq., late of Norway, offers for sale the following described real estate, situated in Norway Village, to-wit:

The valuable tavern stand, known as the ELM HOUSE, consisting of a spacious, convenient and well finished house, with outbuildings, and about 2 acres of very valuable land, and to get the full amount for several years past by One True, Esq., and is one of the best tavern stands in the State.

Also, the large and convenient CABINET SHOP, occupied by Messrs. Goodwin & Mixer; the basement of which is occupied by Mr. Libby, as a machine shop, with sufficient water power to carry the machinery.

Also, the DWELLING-HOUSE and Blacksmith shop, formerly owned and occupied by Luther F. Foster.

Also, about four acres of valuable Tillage Land, situated in the town of Norway, on the road leading to South Paris.

