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From Norfolk.

Fort Pillow, March 8.—Gen. Pope's command took possession of Newport News, unmolested by the enemy, on Thursday last.

The Virginia destroyed the Cumberland and Congress, and the Minnesota ran aground. The Cumberland was sunk in deep water, and her flag was flying when she went down. The Congress was captured by three gunboats, and transferred to Newport News, arriving there at 4 quarter of 2 o'clock, P. M. Two Federal steamers were sent to the Congress and Cumberland, to remove the prisoners and property. The Minnesota was still on the flats. The latter was roughly handled the second day by the Virginia, and was supposed to be disabled. The Virginia, after disposing of the Congress and Cumberland, returned to Sewell's Point, where she remained. The Merrimac was also slightly injured in her upper works.

The Virginia destroyed the Dragon, Cossack and Cumberland yesterday, and sent the Minnesota aground to-day, damaging her severely. She then withdrew. The Virginia will be ready for Monitors to-morrow.

The Monitors were all on the way to Hampton Roads, and were expected to arrive on Saturday night. The Virginia will be ready for them