made preparation for leaving the
land of sour thrift, about 6 bells.
Hence, were called, to go anchor, as
soon the sharp notes of the pipe, a
the already trimm of the men, told us
we were soon to be afloat again.
Upon the deep green sea, we left
flushing, and descended the Schelde,
and came to anchor of the land.
about 1 bell 0 M.

Sunday Feb. 5th
This morning, all hands were called
about 2 bells. We immediately got under
way and proceeded down the mouth of
We had inspection at 10 O'clock and
Quarters at 10½ O'clock, we anchored
off. Over about 4 bells. Afternoon
sent a Boat ashore. Made preperations
for leaving, but on the return of the
Boat, we secured every thing.
We heard that the Rebels have got hold of an
Iron Clad Ram, and that she has
gone to sea, they obtain her through
the French and Spanis. We sail
the morrow in search of the
heard that the
have captured Capt. Cassell and John-
ston and of course the town of Smith-
ville. A report is that the gun boats
had gone up the River. A very thick
for all day.

This Morning all hands were called
cr 2 bells got Breakfast then up
anchor stood down the Channel very
fine weather about 1 bell 3 in all
hands were called to make sail.

Running morning S.E. At horn
W.S.W. the wind hauled ahead in
the mid watch last night when it
became necessary to shorten sail of
night we are running due W. night
very fine. Moonlight. Sun wind ahead.

Running along gale Briant light rain
wind on the quarter. morning we
made sail. Comes lay S.N. We were
evidently in the Bay of Biscay.

Feeling quite well.

Bay of Biscay Comes lay S.W. by a
light wind on the quarter. We
are not much

Bay of Biscay blowing very close
from the N.W. our course lay to
the Southard and Westward during the
night we shortened sail and close reef
the sails lay to all night in the
morning we set Fore sail Fore topsail and
Main Trysail, about 7 bells. H. the
Topsail yard gave away. The sail
began to split up we clewed it up
and proceeded to make sail but before
we got the fore sail secure the fore
Trysail sheet gave away when we
were obliged to furl that also. We
made land about 12 O'Clock and stop
for it blowing very strong ship lab-
ning very heavily all the time We
bent another Fore sail after we
got under the lee of the land, thing
began to feel more comfortable
ran in right along
Feb 11th

We about ship and stood off again several saile and one Semy in sight, we being now off Cape Ticks; low, Portugal. This Morning, we also carried away our Fore-stay, and were obliged to bend another. This being the roughest weather that we have had since we left Cork.

Feb 12th

Off the Ceil of Burunia. Fine, we had Inspection at 10 o'clock. Divine Service at 10 o'clock. Full of visitors off day. Boat came along side with fruit and other articles for sale. All the world is of the same. We expect that she is an eligible customer. To handle, but we will not be dismayed.

Feb 17th

At Burunia. A very fine day. We have been very busy. All day mending and bending sailes, getting up shotes and getting sand on board for Babries, and otherwise preparing the ship for the desperate engagement that is to come off. We have been crowded with visitors all day, among them many ladies. Men from one of the Boats started ashore, all was brought off except three. It is the opinion of the people here, that the Rain will be too much for us, but time will tell. Old I am not the man to abide.
Feb. 14th. A very fine day. This morning it was reported that a Rebel steamer had come in during the night and went up to the Navy Yard. But it proved to be an English steamer, with men and material of war for the Yarmouth. The authorities would not allow them to be delivered in Port; about 10 o'clock we rig the Capstan and ran in about thirty fathoms of chain. About the time every thing was made snug it was reported that the Yarmouth had run out and put to sea, we were all in confusion and excitement. There were several men and women on board and such a bustle and hullabaloo on the gangways you would have been much amused at their fun. It proved however to be the steamer mentioned above. Me up boats, and hoisted the flag for the pilot. Made preparation for sea at 10 o'clock. All hands were called to get aboard. The evening we were surmised with. Boats, loaded with visitors. They were not allowed to come on board.

A much disappointment to them, but their wish will be received in the time. By the time the steamer was paid. The orders was belayed. We then let everything remain until about four bells. It being somewhat dark, we then left anchor, and proceeded (with dark lanterns) for the river leading to the Navy Yard. As soon as we reached the river, we covered lights, and ascended the river. The passage is a very narrow one but very bold [i.e., water]. The whole passage for a mile in length, is one continued line of Forts, at times the river opens into a beautiful bay, not very large, but surrounded by lofty hills and great mountains. (Singers) in the distance, on the bases of these hills stands the city of and the naval of wills, the Rebel Yarmouth. I was staying we came
Feb. 14th At Tarot. As soon as day dawned the Crew was all eagerness to see Munster that have vowed vengeance for us, we are lying about one thousand yards from her (Ram) the looks like an ugly customer for anything that she can hit with her Bow. But we do not think she can come it over this ship. At nine o’clock we saluted the Ram and the Ram played two shells at once then we saluted the Admiral. We was returned immediately the same time we showed our Bin ing the Ram showed hers. She returned some of our men back some of her crew on shoes and they brought of a Reb’s cap as a trophy. It was of gray satin with the vents of the same and shirt of Flannel lined with white in the afternoon two of them passed the ship’s chyan in.

Feb. 15th At Tarot. Rainning and strong all day. About 11 o’clock the Spanish Admiral came aboard on his departure we saluted him on his return to this ship. I returned our salute. About 12 o’clock we were obliged to pay out more chain in consequence of the flow in the Afternoon it hail and continued to rain all day. no news since leaving.
Feb. 17th. At Terrell. Morning fine. Lost a boat at 2 bells. We had several showers during the day. It is reported that the Commander of the Rebel Ram have gone to Paris also that the Otho will not sail her into the docks and she cannot get the necessary repairs without going into dock. I hope that she will soon leave this port so that we can see her spirit. We fired a salute for the Council about 12 o'clock. We fired a salvo at 6 bells.

Feb. 18th. At Terrell. Fine day. To day we aired bedding, served out clean hammocks in the evening there was a report that peace was declared in the state but I do not credit it.

Feb. 19th. At Terrell. Very fine day. An inspection at 10 o'clock. Divine Service at 10½ o'clock. Several officers on board. We see that the are very busy at work upon the rigging of the Ram.

Feb. 20th. At Terrell. Very fine day. We lost sails at 9 o'clock. Several visitors on board. Amongst them many Tartars. They enjoyed a pleasant trip on the light fantastic. In the morning there was an altercation between some of the Bandmen and one of the ship's officers. We fired a salvo at 2 bells. We see the Ram lying in coal as day that look very much like showing fight. I hope that it will not be put off much longer. Several of our officers went ashore to a Ball at the Council.

Feb. 21st. At Terrell. Very fine day. About 6 o'clock the Sacramento arrived from St. Louis. She proved close to us. We have no news from the State. We received her with music by the Band.

Feb. 22nd. At Terrell. Last night about 10 o'clock, our lookout reported steam up on the Ram. We sent the scout ashore and made everything ready to ship the cable. Should she put to run out, but when...
was at her anchorage with clean up. every thing the same. A very beautiful day. A being Washington's birth day we dressed ship and at noon fired a salute of 21 guns. The Spanish Frigate also saluted our flag. At four bells we Rigged Captain and prepared to get under way. About 6 bells weGun a machina and saluted the Spanish Flag with 21 guns and stood out the Bay, the "Sacramento," following we anchored in the Harbor of Coruna about 7 bell P.M. The "Sacramento" coming in soon after. This morning the "Starboard Watch" scrubed hammocks.

Thursday Feb 25th At Coruna, very fine day. Cock Watch scrubbed hammocks. Many visitors came on board. At 10 O'clock we fired a salute of 15 guns and again at 2 O'clock we were left again by the Commander. On departure we saluted him. The "Machina" is lying close to a

A general fight is certain that is here and if she comes out we will have a fight. The "Ham," carries one 304 lb. Armstrong Gun on the Forecastle and two, 70 lb. B. B. south. Guns in two stationary pieces (one in each) she is fitted with 4½ in. of iron and have also a row extending from her bow (below the water) 22 feet. She have two separately acting engines so that she can go ahead with one and back with the other, and is called fast. She have at present a crew of about 105 men and 14 Officers. She is commanded by a man named Sage. A native of Norfolk, he formerly was in our Navy, he says that she is prepared for any single ship in the (United States) Navy. She was built at Bordeaux, France, for the Danish Government, as it is said. But the Danes making peace do not want her when the "Ham" in and bought her back.
Feb. 24th At Corunna. Raining all day. About 10 o'clock two (2) large German gunboats came alongside. We began to coal ship. Two boys were conf. for refusing to wash the deck, for the Officers of the deck, and also for the Executive Officer.

Feb. 25th At Corunna. Raining alternately all day. Coal ship made a letter to C. N. L. 2nd Feb. 20th At Corunna. Raining. Inspection at 10 o'clock Divine Service. At 11 o'clock about 10 o'clock. We were visited by the Governor, General of the Province and Staff, and their departure. We saluted him with 17 guns. In the afternoon some of our men went on board of the Sacramento, and some of her men came on board here. I have a very severe Headache this evening.

Feb. 27th At Corunna. I feel somewhat better this morning. Coaling ship and scrapping of whitewash from the castles, we were assisted.

ion that she was built expressly for the Rubs. And by designs furnish'd by them. We are expecting to fight, but who will be the victors remains to be seen. Several visitors came on board Citizens and police and several cadets from a Military school, that is situated here. Several of our Officers went ashore. The city is small, and looks very ancient, we can see several very ancient building Churches and huge very fine lighthouses. There are six forts in sight commanding the city, and entrance to the Bay, which is a very fine one. The place is noted for the many battles fought in this vicinity during the Peninsular War and also the death place of the English General Sir Thomas Moore, and also the first place that Nelson was distinguished well fight is to the and victory. I pray brave
This 25th. At Corondo, fine day. Many sails on board. Last night several men were intoxicated and several fights occurred during the evening, and attempt was made on the life of the Master of Arms, as he alleged they were only to put extra sentinels on the Main Deck. Three men deserted last night among them the drummer of the Marine Corps, one of the men that deserted on the men that deserted on the 17th inst. was arrested as he claims English protection. He is in prison. What will be the decision in this case, we cannot conjecture.

At Corondo, fine day. We scrubbed the work and got rid of some of the dirt of coal and wood, one of the men who deserted last night before last turn on board this morning. He is confined to await his trial by Court-martial. One man who claims English protection ran on one of the

This 26th. At Corondo. Fine day, we had a ball this evening and we heard the Morgan, another of the five is arrested yesterday we had a large dinner for the Board. We had some visitors on board this evening.

This 27th. At Corondo, fine day, at 2 bells, we had sails at 9 bells. We had General Quartermaster visit us on board. In the afternoon they bought Morgan on board. We heard that Charleston was evacuated by the army and that the Federals occupied the city about 6 bells. We yelled, sails. The Board Commissioners was not able to answer the present difficulties so the war must go on.

March 9th. At Corondo, very fine day. Many visitors on board. We are almost tired waiting for the rain to come out.

March 10th. At Corondo, fine day. Many visitors on board. We had a dance this evening. It was a small scale. They are very content here at this time.

March 11th. At Corondo, this morning we then it cleared off. We had