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From the Charleston Courier.

The first Year of the War.

The military operations of the war, during the first year of its existence, from the commission of the overt act by Major Anderson, December 24th, 1860:

December 20.—The South Carolina State Convention passed the Ordinance of Secession.

December 23.—Sudden evacuation of Fort Moultrie by Major Anderson, United States army. He spikes the guns, burns the gun-carriages, and retreats to Fort Sumter, which he occupies.

December 27.—Engagement of Fort Moultrie and Castle Pinckney by the South Carolina troops. Castle Pinckney surrendered the revenue cutter Atkeen.

January 1.—Capture of Fort Pulaski by the Savannah troops.

January 3.—The Arsenal at Mount Vernon, Alabama, with 20,000 stand of arms, seized by the Alabama troops.

January 4.—Fort Morgan, in Mobile bay, taken by the Alabama troops.

January 5.—Virginia Legislature met—Alabama Convention met—Mississippi Convention met.

January 6.—The steam ship Star of the West fired into and driven off by the South Carolina batteries Morris Island. Capture of the iron-clad monitor Merrimac.

January 7.—Frigate U. S. S. Princeton, at the mouth of the Mississippi, captured by the Confederates.

January 8.—Brilliant victory of the Federals over General Jackson's army at Bull Run.

January 9.—Battle of Bull Run, Virginia.

January 10.—The steamship Planter, under Col. J. W. Fauntleroy, and the steamer Arkansas, under Col. W. H. Webb, engaged in a sharp fight.

January 11.—Alabama convention passed the Ordinance of Secession.

January 12.—Capture of the Pensacola Navy Yard, and Fort Barrancas and McRee, by the troops from Florida, Alabama and Louisiana. Maj. Chase shortly afterwards takes command, and the steamer Fort Pickens commences.

January 13.—Surrender of the Baton Rouge Arsenal to the Louisiana troops.

January 14.—Georgia State Convention met.

January 15.—Virginia Legislature passed resolutions inviting a new convention to meet, and the Ordinance of Secession.

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January 21.—Battle of Hatteras Inlet, N. C., between the Confederate and a U. S. steamer.

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February 1.—The Texas Convention passed the Ordinance of Secession.

February 2.—Capture of the Little Rock Arsenal by the Arkansas troops.

February 3.—Capture of the Revenue Cutter Casco by the authorities of Alabama.

February 4.—Confederate Congress met at Montgomery.

Peace Convention met in Washington City. Virginia election for members of a State Convention was held.

February 16.—General Twiggs transfers the public property in Texas to the State authorities, Col. White, U. S. A., succeeds San Antonio to Col. Ben McCulloch and his Rangers.

February 18.—Inauguration of President Davis at Montgomery, Ala.

March 1.—The Revenue Cutter Dodge seized by the Texas authorities.

March 3.—Gen. Beauregard assumes command of the troops besieging Fort Sumter.

March 12.—Fort Brown, in Texas, surrendered by Capt. Hill to the Texas Commissioners.

April 12-16.—Battle of Fort Sumter. Brilliant victory gained by the Confederates over the South Carolina troops after thirty-four days' bombardment of the Port Subtreys to the Confederates.

April 14.—Extermination of Fort Sumter by Major Anderson and his command.

April 14.—Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, issues a proclamation calling for 75,000 volunteers to put down the Southern rebellion.

April 14.—Col. Beatty, U. S. A., surrenders Fort Bliss, near El Paso, to Col. J. W. M. Bristow, the Texas commissioners.

April 15.—Seizure of the North Carolina Forts and the Fayetteville Arsenal by the State troops.

April 17.—Virginia Convention in secret session passed the Ordinance of Secession.

April 18.—Capture of the steamship Star of the West by Col. Van Dorn, U. S. A.

April 19.—The Baltimore massacre. The citizens of Baltimore attack with missiles the Northern marchers passing through their city, in route to the South. The Maryland regiments fire on the popular crowd and many died. The marchers are also shot. Great excitement follows, and the Marylanders proceed to burn the railroad bridges and tear up the tracks.

April 20.—Capture of the Federal army at Indianapolis, Indiana, by Col. Van Dorn, Confederate States army. The Federal officers released on parole.

April 20.—Attempted destruction of the Norfolk Navy Yard by the Federal authorities. The works set on fire, and several ships scuttled and sunk. The Federal troops subsequently occupied the yard.

April 20.—Harpers Ferry evacuated by the Federal troops under Lieut. Jones, who attempts the destruction of the army by fire. The place occupied by Virginia troops.

April 20.—Fort Smith, Arkansas, captured by the Arkansas troops under Col. Solon Borland.

May 6.—The Alabama Convention passed the Ordinance of Secession.

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May 10.—Baltimore occupied by a large body of Federal troops under Gen. B. F. Butler.

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May 12.—The blockade of Charleston harbor commenced by the U. S. steamer Niagara.

May 19, 20, 21.—Attacked on the Virginia Batteries at Sewell's Point (near Norfolk) by the U. S. steamer Monitor. The assailants driven by the steamship Minnesota.

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