

THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH.

VIOLENCE IN CONNECTICUT !

TRAITORS' MEETING NEAR BRIDGEPORT !

VOLUNTEERS ATTEND.

UNION RESOLUTIONS ARE PASSED.

The Bridgeport Farmer Office Demolished !

The Contents Turned into the Street.

Immense Excitement.

FIGHT AT NEW FAIRFIELD.

An Unsuccessful Attempt to Pull Down a Piece-Flag—Two Pice Men Severely Wounded.

In accordance with a call issued, a so-called peace-meeting was held at Stepney, ten miles north of Bridgeport, on Saturday afternoon. It was to have been addressed by E. G. Schnabel of Pennsylvania, E. B. Goodsell, ex-postmaster of Bridgeport, and Belden, a lawyer from Newtown.

A delegation from Bridgeport, consisting of a large number of the first citizens of Bridgeport, and many returned volunteers under Capt. Fry of the 3d Connecticut, went up to attend it. The meeting was called to order, but no speakers appeared. The flag was then torn down and the Stars and Stripes run up and loud calls were made for speeches. As no one yet appeared, Elias G. Howe of Bridgeport was chosen President and P. T. Barnum Secretary. Several pistols and one gun were taken from the secessionists, who drew but dare not fire them.

Resolutions to the effect that those present, holding sacred the liberties of their country and the peace of their State, utterly condemned all falsely-called peace-meetings as really secession demonstrations, insulting to the flag and disgraceful to the country, discountenanced all such attempts of traitors, alleged that in this crisis there are but two parties, loyal men and traitors, and that they offered themselves to aid in suppression of this rebellion, were unanimously adopted. The Star Spangled Banner was then sung and the volunteers returned to Bridgeport where a perfect ovation attended them.

As they passed the office of the *Farmer*, they were greeted with hisses. They at first took notice of insult, when some persons in the office assailed them with malignant remarks. This was the incitement to an attack. Attempts were made by the citizens to persuade the volunteers to wait for the action of government, but they were of no avail. The office was completely gutted. Everything but the largest press and the steam engine was thrown out into the street. Some of the volunteers were armed with muskets, which they had procured somewhere. Two hundred police clubs were found on the premises, which Morse, the editor, had stowed away for his men. There were four or five thousand citizens present as spectators. A military guard was placed around the *Standard* office to prevent an attack by the secessionists.