

accomplished within the space of about forty-five minutes. A company of Volunteers from among our citizens, numbering about fifty, organized as quickly as possible, and started in pursuit, pursuing them into Canada. Please accept my hearty thanks for your expressions of consideration and for your hearty co-operation in our efforts to recover the plunder and bring the offenders to justice.

(Signed) J. GREGORY SMITH.

Inclosure 5 in No. 1.

Extract from the Quebec "Morning Chronicle" of October 26, 1864.

WE have just received the following letter from Lieutenant Bennett H. Young, commanding the party of raiders on St. Albans, and hasten to give it the publication asked for it, with no other comment than that it in no respect changes our previously expressed opinions:—

"Freelighsburg, Canada East, October 21, 1864.

"To the Editor of the 'Evening Telegraph.

"Through the columns of your journal I wish to make some statements to the people of Canada in regard to recent operations in Vermont. I went there for the purpose of burning the town and surrounding villages, as a retaliation for recent outrages in Shenandoah Valley and elsewhere in the Confederate States. I am a commissioned officer in the 'Provisional Army of the Confederate States,' and violating no law of Canada. I do not wish my name connected with the epithets now applied without a knowledge on the part of the people as to who we were, and why our action. I wish, also, to make a few statements as to how myself and party were taken. I was seized, on Canadian soil, by American citizens, with arms in their hands, and violently searched; my pocket-book taken, and I forcibly placed in a buggy between two men, and started towards the United States. I reached out my hand and caught the rein, when three pistols were levelled at my head, with threats to shoot the 'd—n scoundrel' dead if he moved. Some Canadian citizens then spoke up, and seeing a bailiff, they started with me towards him, two of them holding arms in their hands. These statements can be proved by Canadian citizens. Bands of American citizens came into this place, and even beyond it, brandishing their guns and attempting to kill some of us after we were in the hands of the English authorities. Surely the people of Vermont must have forgotten that you are not in the midst of war, and ruled by a man despotic in his actions, and supreme in his infamy! I am not afraid to go before the Courts of Canada; and when the affair is investigated, I am satisfied they, not my party, will be found the violators of Canadian and English law. Some one, I hope, will be sent to investigate this breach of neutrality, and award to those American citizens doing armed duty in Canada the just merit of their transgression.

"Hoping you will give this a publication, I remain, &c.

(Signed) "BENNETT H. YOUNG, 1st Lieutenant P. A. C. S."

No. 2.

Viscount Monck to Mr. Cardwell.—(Received November 10.)

Sir, Quebec, October 27, 1864.

I HAVE the honour to transmit for your information a copy of a despatch which I have felt it my duty to address to Her Majesty's Representative at Washington, and I hope this proceeding on my part will meet with your approbation.

I have, &c.
(Signed) MONCK.

Inclosure 1 in No. 2.

Viscount Monck to Mr. Burnley.

Sir, Quebec, October 26, 1864.

MY attention has been called to the accompanying extract from the "New York Post," purporting to give the words of an order telegraphed to the officer commanding