

## The Japan Expedition.

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The following is the force, excepting the Princeton, (whose machinery has been condemned,) that sails for Japan in a few days:

Vessels.	Guns.	Men.
Vermont, 3000 tons.....	90	800
Mississippi, steam frigate, 1700 tons.....	—	375
Susquehanna, do 2500 do.....	—	350
Princeton, do 1200 do.....	—	190
Allegheny, do 1100 do.....	—	190
Saratoga, sloop-of-war, first class.....	22	190
St. Mary's, do do.....	22	190
Vincennes, do do.....	22	190
Razez frigate Macedonian.....	22	450
Brig-of-war Porpoise.....	10	120
Storeship Southampton, 32 lb guns..	4	—
Do Lexington, do ..	4	—
Do Talbot, do ..	4	—

Total number of men.....3045

To the above total of the ships' companies are to be added 700 marines, which, with the complement of the storeships, officers, scientific corps, and others attached to the expedition, will make an effective force of 4000 men and above 880 guns, mostly heavy ordnance. The steamers are each to mount a couple of Paixhan shell guns of the largest calibre, and placed on revolving trucks, so as to sweep the horizon.—Three guns are intended to be used for the discharge of shells of 88 and 120 lbs each, and long 4½", making 53 guns to each steamer.

Each ship is provided with two brass 24 lb field pieces, to be used for shells or canister shot.

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