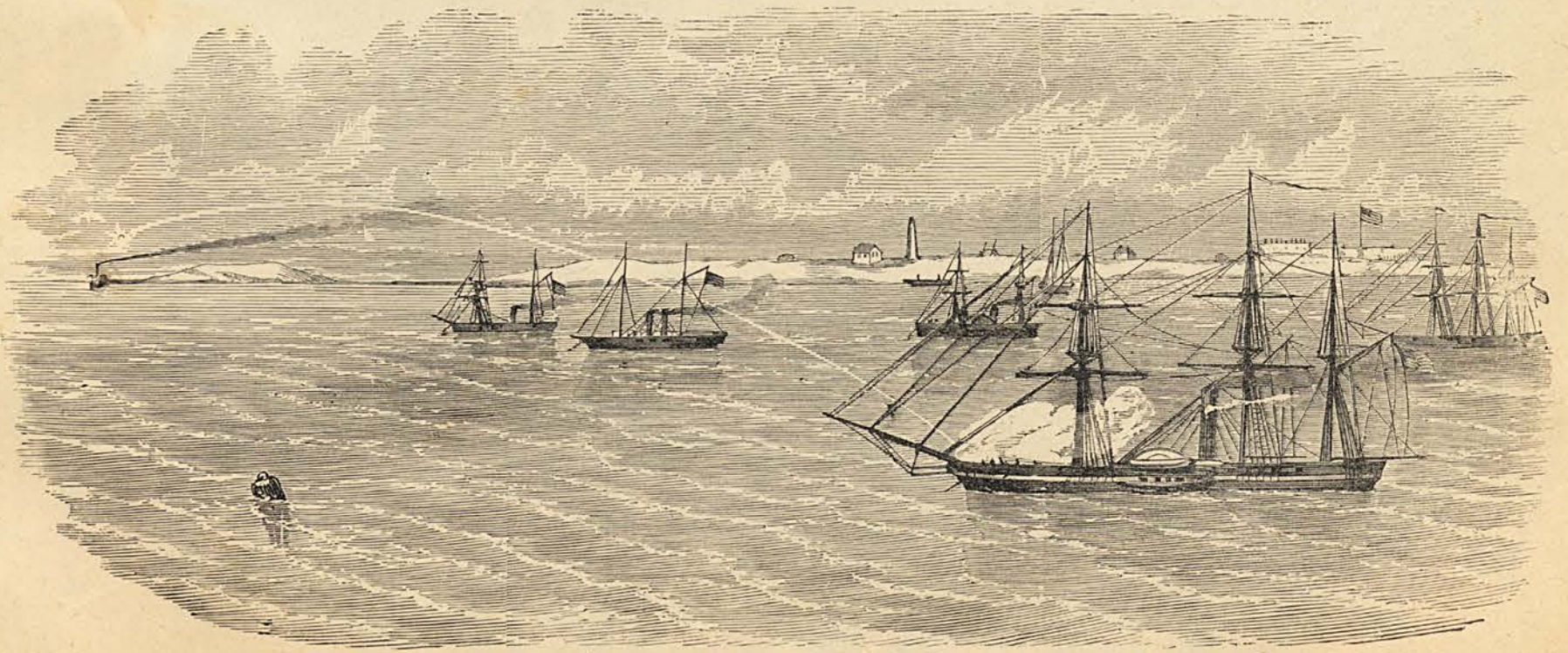




BURNING OF THE AMERICAN MERCHANTMAN "HARVEY BIRCH," OF NEW YORK, IN THE BRITISH CHANNEL BY THE CONFEDERATE CRUISER "NASHVILLE," NOVEMBER 12, 1861.

The Confederate cruiser "Nashville" was fitted out at Charleston. Her career as a commerce destroyer lasted two years. When the claims for damages against Great Britain for having permitted the depredations of vessels armed or relieved by her subjects, were adjusted, the case of the "Nashville" was thrown out by the board of arbitration. The vessel ran the blockade into Charleston in 1863 and was destroyed by the Monitor "Montauk," as she lay under the guns of Fort McAllister, in the Ogeechee River, below Savannah. The hero of this gallant feat was John L. Worden, vanquisher of the "Merrimac."



SHIP ISLAND.—UNITED STATES STEAMER "MISSISSIPPI" FIRING ON A CONFEDERATE STEAMER.