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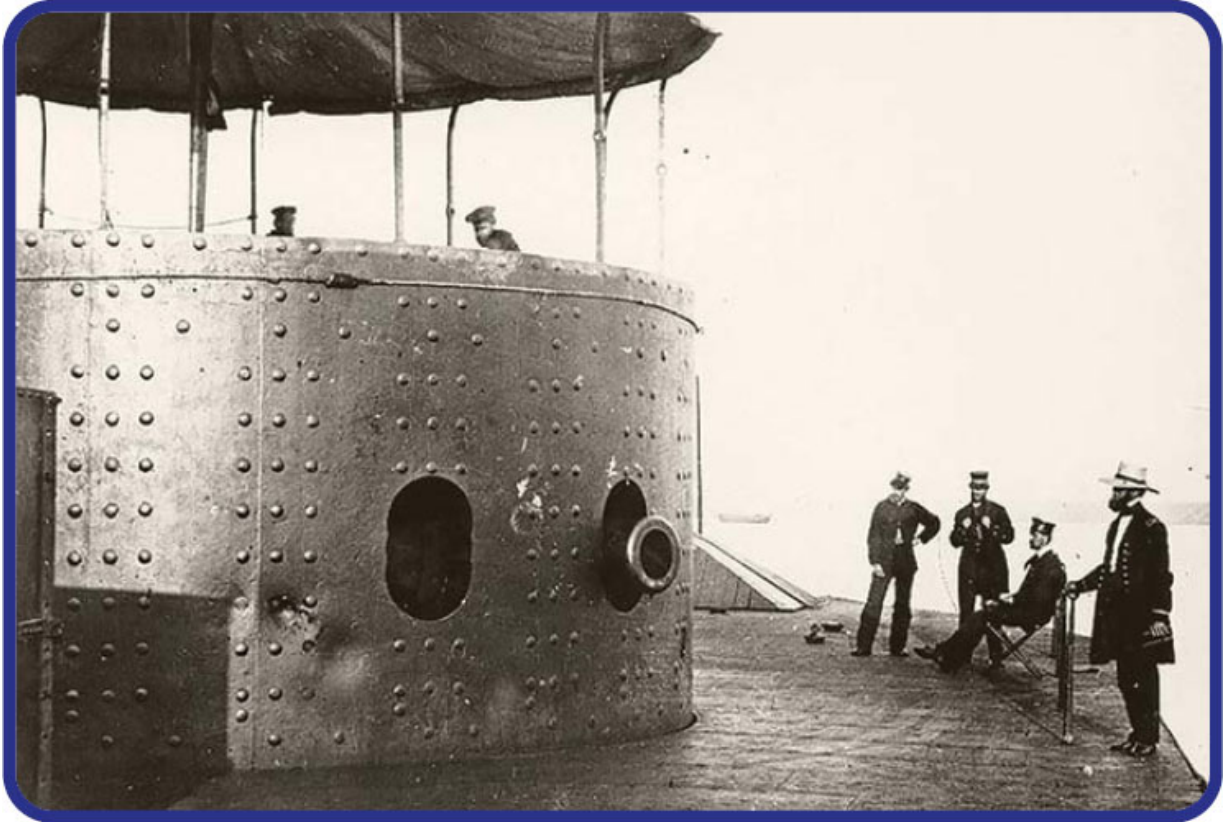
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BIG BATTLESHIP BATTLE

The Civil War had begun. The U.S. was divided. Northern troops were fighting Southern troops.

It was March 9, 1862. Many men were dying in battle. But it was a battle of battleships that made big news that day. Those battleships were the *Monitor* and *Merrimac*.

The *Monitor* fought for the North. The *Merrimac* fought for the South. They were the first **ironclad** warships.



This is the deck of the USS *Monitor* while in the James River in Virginia in July 1862.

The two ships battled off the shores of Virginia. They shot cannon balls at each other. None did much damage. They bounced off the iron **hulls**.

Their clash had little effect on the Civil War. But they changed **naval** warfare forever. The U.S. Navy stopped building wooden warships.

The *Monitor* and *Merrimac* made an impact. They launched the era of battleships.



An artist's rendering of the battle between the *Merrimac* (left) and the *Monitor*.



FAST FACT

GOING DOWN WITH THE SHIP

The *Merrimac* and *Monitor* did not last past 1862. Southern troops soon destroyed the *Merrimac*. They did not want it falling into enemy hands. The *Monitor* sank that December.

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