

The Yorktown Centenary.
(New York Evening Post.)

The surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown practically ended the war for American independence, and as there was no event in that war which had a greater influence upon the destinies of this people, so there was none more dramatic in its nature, or most significant of the methods by which American independence was won. Curiously enough the campaign which ended at Yorktown illustrated every phase of the conflict, and its history is a sort of epitome of the story of the Revolution.

The British under Prevost gained a foothold at Savannah, as they did every where during the Revolution, by regular methods, overcoming the irregular American opposition without difficulty. When they advanced northward, however, the irregular opposition under Lincoln gave them greater trouble at Pocotaligo, and on John's and James's Islands, and for a time they were baffled at Charleston. When Clinton substituted siege for desultory warfare, as he could the American opposition was again ineffective, as it always was in such circumstances, and Charleston and Georgetown fell into the enemy's hands.

The advance of the British inland next encountered American opposition of moment at Camden. There Gates made the great mistake of the revolution. Arrogantly neglecting the lesson which every event of the war had taught, he led his army of volunteers as if it had been an army of regular troops, giving the British the regular battle in which they were always superior to the Americans. He was beaten utterly, and his army was broken and dispersed.

Then came Nathaniel Greene, of Rhode Island—after Washington the ablest and wisest commander in the patriot army—charged with the task of opposing the victorious British, without an army, without money, provisions for officers or men. Gathering together the farmers and such troops as were within reach, Greene conducted his march so to encourage the people and draw volunteers to his standard, while recruiting the health of his men and collecting supplies. Greene was a grand master of the tactics which won American liberty. He understood the conditions of the conflict and adapted his measures to them. His mind was too large for conventionalism. He knew that in pitched battles the English must always have the advantage, and that a campaign of pitched battles must result disastrously to the American cause. He fought something like regular battles, it is true, but he chose his own times, and places for doing so, and fought with the understanding that he would probably be beaten, making his arrangements for wresting advantage from defeat.

Deliberately he set out to win a campaign, while losing the battles of which it consisted. He fought and retired, and fought again, so maneuvering as to keep his enemy constantly upon a strain and constantly baffled. He nowhere risked the campaign upon a battle, but took care to retire from a lost action with strength for marching and fighting again. In this way, while he could defeat the British, he made it impossible for them to crush him. Men while he was detaining them in the wilderness of the Carolinas, engaged them in a net from which escape grew constantly more and more difficult, and counter-marches, with his parades, under Marion and Sumpter, were picking to pieces the British lines of communication and worrying the spirit out of the British Army by constant harassing.

Finally Cornwallis, despairing of an opportunity to crush Greene, resumed his march northward, only to fall into the trap which had been prepared for him during the time that Greene had gained by detaining him, and Greene was left free to reconquer the Carolinas.

How Cornwallis marched northward, and was entrapped between the American Army and the French fleet, for the approach of which Greene had secured time, is a story known to every school-boy, and there is certainly no story in our history worthier to be remembered. There is reason to be glad, therefore, that arrangements are making for the proper celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Yorktown surrender, which will occur on the 19th day of October, 1781. We learn that Gov. Hoyt, of Pennsylvania, and Governor Holiday, of Virginia, have agreed to invite the Governors of the original States to a meeting in Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, on the 13th of next month—the 19th being Sunday—there to make arrangements for celebration two years hence. The scheme contemplates a gathering of army and naval representatives, civil military delegates from all the States in the Union, a great gathering of the people, and a fitting representation of the French navy, which played so important a part in the historical event to be celebrated. Distinguished French naval officers, it is understood, have expressed their purpose to participate in the celebration, and it is confidently believed that a French squadron will be sent hither for the purpose.

The scheme is well conceived, and its objects will, without doubt, command the earnest sympathies of all patriotic people. The invitation of the thirteen Governors, when it shall be sent out, will meet with the heartiest reception everywhere. The celebration will commemorate at once the principal event of the Revolution, and the genius and courage and great-hearted patience which made the Revolution successful.

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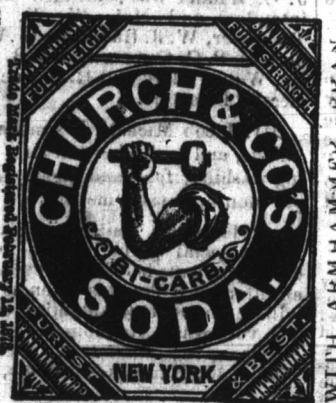
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