

Response to Readings: Saturday, December 10, 2011

The American Revolution

Core Theme: Creating the New Nation: The Revolution and Constitutional Development

Readings:

Fred Anderson & Andres Cayton, *The Dominion of War: Empire and Liberty in North American, 1500-2000* (New York: Penguin Books, 2005).

CHAPTERS THREE & FOUR

Joseph Plumb Martin, *Memoir of a Revolutionary Soldier* (Hallowell, Maine: Glazier, Maters & Co., 1830, this edition, Mineola, New York: Dover, 2006)

CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTORY, pp. 3-6

CHAPTER TWO: CAMPAIGN OF 1776, pp. 10-24, 30-33

CHAPTER FOUR: CAMPAIGN OF 1778, pp. 61-76

CHAPTER SEVEN: CAMPAIGN OF 1781, pp. 128-137

CHAPTER NINE: CAMPAIGN OF 1783, pp. 161 (last paragraph) to 164

Andrew Cayton and Fred Anderson talk about the lessons Washington learned during his apprenticeship in the French & Indian War and how he applied those lessons, as well as new ones he learned, to the command of the Continental Army in the American Revolution.

Joseph Martin describes the experience on the ground of a soldier in Washington's army during three important campaigns.

As you read, think about how the two accounts fit together.

Use examples from Martin's memoir that illustrate Washington's strategy and approach to command of the Continental Army and write about it in one to two typed pages.