

"those classic lands of liberty, I read of no people, no senate, whose conduct appears to me nobler and firmer than that of the Congress at Philadelphia. Blind Ministers! Do you not see that America has its Sydneys? The spirit of opposition which animates it to day is the same which inspired our ancestors when they offered resistance to arbitrary imposts and when, in ages gone by, they consecrated the principle that no subject of Great-Britain can be taxed against his consent."

With regard to the misfortunes of the war, which we speak of, the responsibility must rest upon those who provoked it, and in any case, liberty is always worth the price which it may cost.

ANDRE.

Very well, Captain, you speak as well as you fight. You are a dangerous man. The next time you are taken prisoner, you will not be released.

MADISON.

I will take care then not to be captured again.

ANDRE.

The next time, we shall do you the honor of seeking you on your ground, even at West Point.

MADISON.

You forget that West Point is guarded by Arnold and protected by Washington.

ANDRE.

So much the more reason to go there.

PARKER.

Ah! really, Major Andre, you make me laugh. It would be very amusing if this thing happened.

CHAMBERS.

It is only natural that the matter should end thus. The insurgents have a General who appears to rely for success rather upon Providence than on his military abilities or the valor of his army. It would appear that he expects a miracle from Heaven in his favor.