



After the Battle of Guilford Courthouse in North Carolina, British General Lord Cornwallis hopes to resupply his army on the coast. He then makes the decision to abandon the Carolinas and move into Virginia.



Patriot General Nathanael Greene takes advantage of the move and turns his Continental Army south. He is intent on reclaiming South Carolina for the fledgling United States of America.

South Carolina General Andrew Pickens and Colonel "Light Horse Harry" Lee are ordered by Greene to coordinate their movements. They set their sights on Augusta, Georgia, and team up with that state's militia under Colonel Elijah Clarke.

The warm winds of May 1781 gust with new energy and purpose.



The backcountry around Augusta, Georgia, May 1781.

We are confiscating these goods for the king.

What will we eat? I have children.

Leave my father-in-law alone! He hasn't done anything.

Keep quiet! If you help these rebels, we'll take it out on him.

NO!! Please!

Burn the barn.

This ain't right! You know it!

No! Momma, our cow!

Your father-in-law won't be harmed so long as you don't help these rebels. Move out!



Around May 15, 1781, at British Fort Dreadnought on the Savannah River near Augusta, Georgia. It was once called Fort Galphin.

See, sir.
The British boat is tied off there.



I see it.
Are you sure the supplies are still onboard?

They haven't unloaded anything.

That means they're waiting on the Cherokee and Creek to arrive.



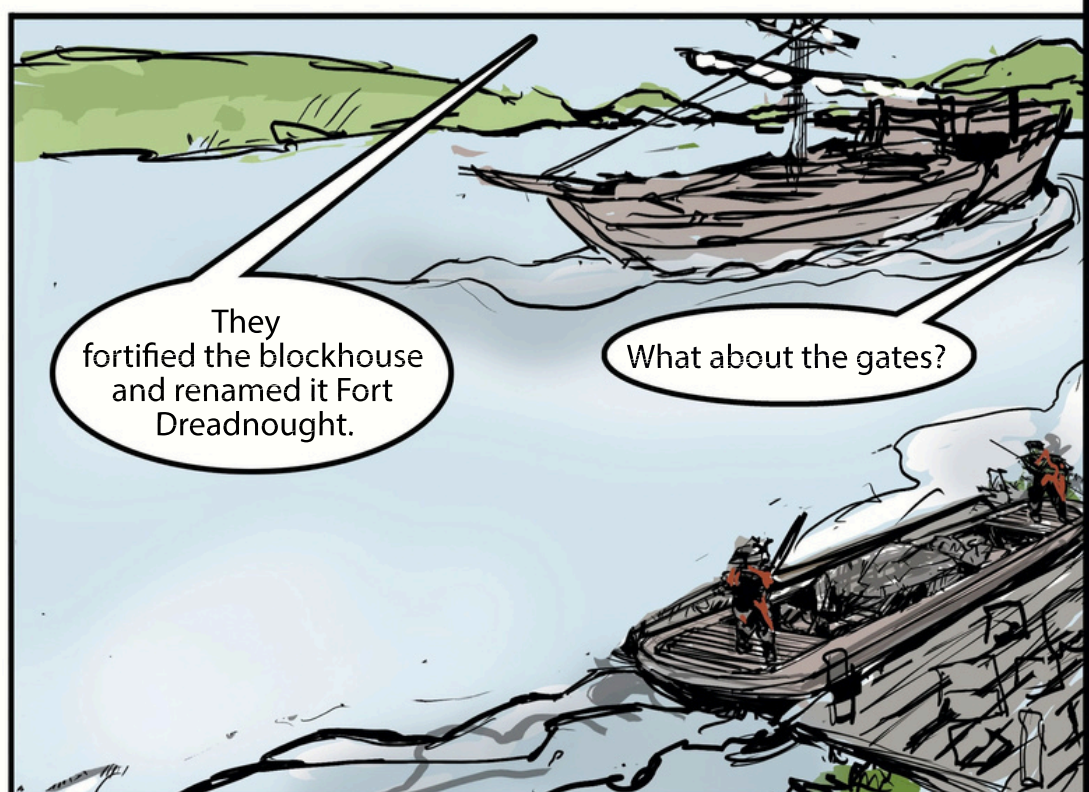
That's our thinking.

Have the British improved the old fort?



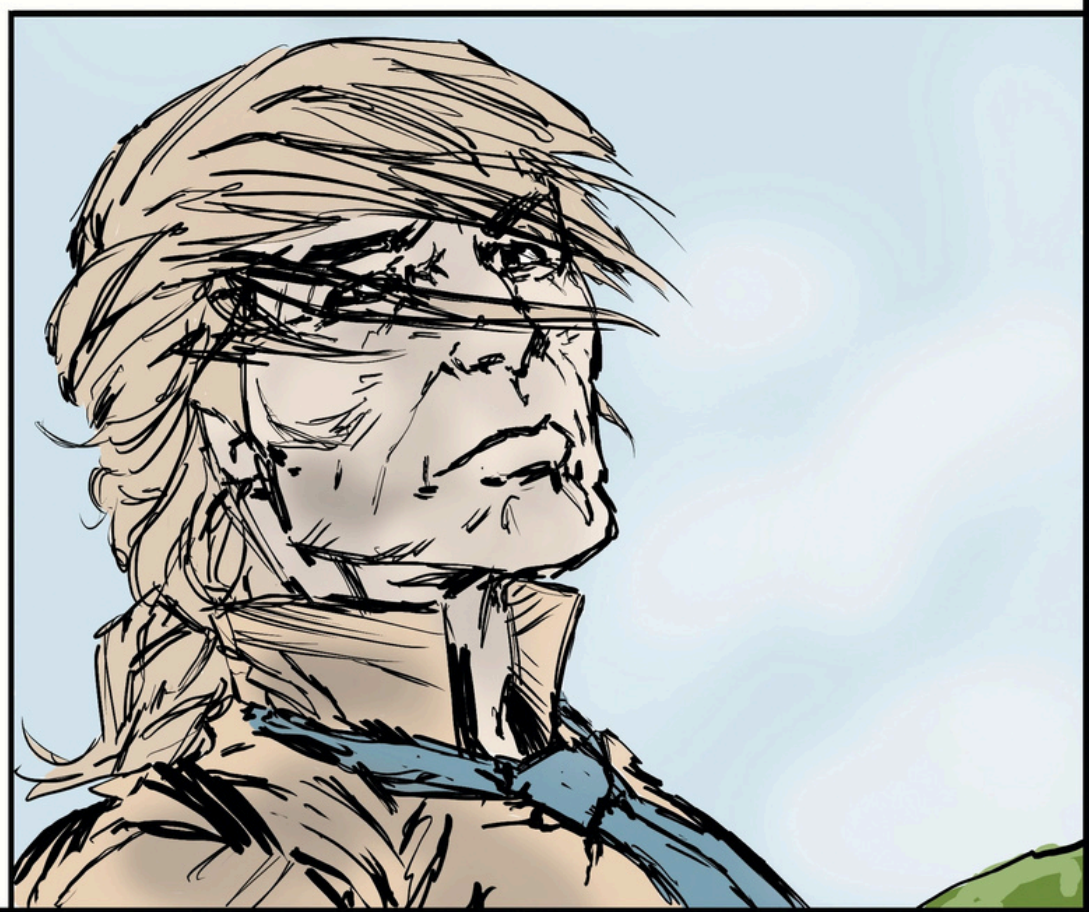
They fortified the blockhouse and renamed it Fort Dreadnought.

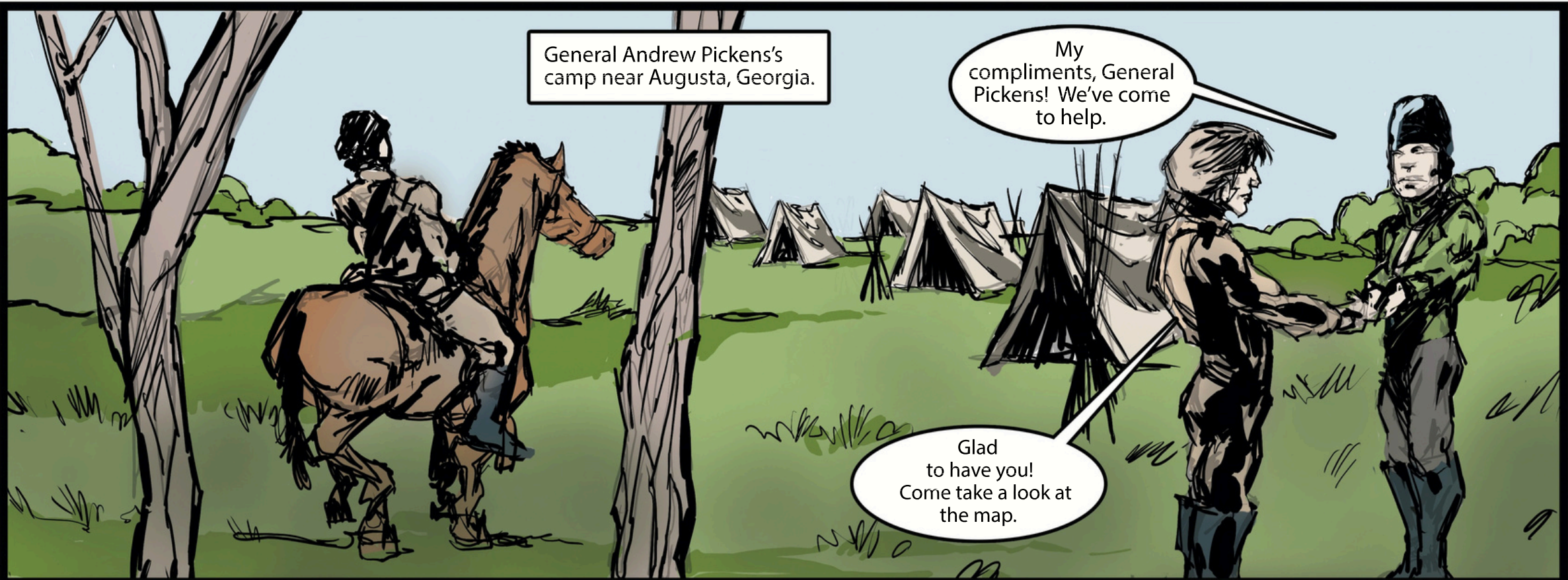
What about the gates?



There are two. One front and one back.

We need those supplies. Post a guard in the woods and make sure that schooner doesn't slip away.





General Andrew Pickens's camp near Augusta, Georgia.

My compliments, General Pickens! We've come to help.

Glad to have you! Come take a look at the map.



There're three forts we're concerned about. The first is here, the old Fort Galphin.

I see.



I want to take the fort and the ship before the Cherokee are resupplied.

General Greene could use the supplies.



Very good. I've got Georgia Colonel Elijah Clarke in camp. We're up against British Loyalist Lieutenant Colonels Brown and Grierson.

We all could. My men, and their families, need clothes and other supplies.

I'll assign some men to assist you.