The Mammoth Book Of War Diaries And Letters: Life On The Battlefield In The Words Of The Ordinary Soldier, 1775-1991

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In 1775, at the start of the revolutionary war, Revere gallops to Concord (the fate of a nation was riding that night) to alert the militia that the British redcoats were on the move, ensuring the amateur freedom fighters’s victory. The Defence of Fort McHenry by Francis Scott Key. The original title of The Star-Spangled Banner, a heady celebration of American defenders besieged by the British in the war of 1812, which is sung at US sporting fixtures as well as national events. The Charterhouse of Parma by Stendhal. Dedicated to the happy few in an echo of Henry V, Stendhal's novel includes a