

General Alexander Petion

Haiti's "Blood-hating" Leader

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sailing of Napoleon's expedition for Haiti, under Napoleon's brother-in-law, Gen. Leclerc. Some of the mulatto leaders were given generalships in the white regiments, among them Petion. Petion had consented to serve only after Napoleon had assured him that the expedition was going to protect Haiti and establish a government of the highest equity for its citizens. Napoleon, however, had given orders to Leclerc to restore slavery, and a year later Napoleon, himself, issued a proclamation to that effect.

The expedition arrived, and Toussaint was beaten. Thanks largely to the efforts of Petion a sort of peace was made under which all the great leaders, black and mulatto, were given high commands. To Petion was given the task of putting down all the insurgents who had not yielded.

Petion had accepted the word of Napoleon against his better judgment. Now he saw his error. Leclerc, firmly established, as he thought, decided to restore slavery and renew the discriminations against the mulattoes. As a first step, he shipped Rigaud, leader of the mulattoes, to France where he was thrown into a dungeon in the fortress of Le Joux in the Alps, then he kidnapped Toussaint in a treacherous manner and sent him to join his former rival. It was then that both mulattoes and blacks awoke to what Petion had been preaching to them in his earlier days: the folly of their rivalry.

But Leclerc had taken a step that was to bring about his utter defeat. When Petion heard the news, he swore a great oath that he would not rest until Haiti was free. He sought out Dessalines, now leader of the blacks.

Was Great Logician

That great and impetuous chief, recalling his defeat at the hands of Petion won him over by the logic of his argument.

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The Haitian Liberator



General Alexander Petion, whose leadership in Haiti resulted in cultural, social and economic progress.

Long the two leaders talked, Petion revealing all that he had learned while serving with the French, the plans he had laid for Haitian independence, and urging Dessalines to strike at once. But Dessalines, fearful lest the other black and mulatto leaders might remain loyal to France, counselled patience.

Petion, however, had decided that the time was now, and calling his officers, he revealed his plans.

Soon after, an incident occurred that Petion seized to good advantage. A French officer, passing Petion's camp, attempted to exchange his tired horse for another belonging to one of Petion's officers. The latter objected, whereupon the French officer promised to have him punished. Petion who had overheard all, retorted: "So

you mean to have all of us drowned." (This was a favorite way of getting rid of offenders; it saved powder and burial.)

Departing, the French officer arrived at his camp and reported the affair. The commander, Gen. Clausel, deciding to arrest Petion, summoned him to camp. Petion, wishing to learn what he could of the other's plans, went, but not before he had thought out a way of escape.

Arriving there, Petion was invited to dinner and questioned. But suddenly one of his officers rushed in to say that his camp was in an uproar, and urged Petion to return at once. An officer, said the man, had struck another, and the men had taken sides. This, of course, had been Petion's ruse.

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One of the worst difficulties we have in our modern living is that young men and women get started

*Gen. Franklin, etc
to his own
A. Smith
Jan. 15, 1863*

in life on the wrong road. They should do one thing, and they try to do another. They miss their real opportunity—the thing for which they have real, certain talent.

You may have talent for music, for writing, for teaching or for nursing. Maybe you will make a better wife and mother than you will a woman in business. Your husband may be naturally gifted for engineering, or possibly he would make a good doctor, but in each case if you do not find your right work, you will be like a boat going against the tide. You will have difficulties that you would not have if you were only doing the thing for which you are gifted.

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Petion Leads Rebellion

At this the general bade him go, but ordered him to return.

Back at his camp, Petion quieted the men, and took advantage of the occasion to urge them to rebel, a proposition that was received with applause.

Petion's first move was to drive the French from Haut de Cap, an important military post. When Gen. Lavalette heard of this, he sent a messenger to Petion, promising the restoration of his rank, and a promise not to restore slavery, if he would return.

But Petion flatly refused. "It is too late now," he said. "We have resolved to live free and independent or die." A heavy reward was placed on his head.

Christophe and Dessalines soon followed his example. Petion, in spite of his superior military education, offered to serve under Christophe, and did so. But Christophe was not only illiterate but cruel, and Petion, leaving him, went to Dessalines.

The latter offered him supreme command of the army, but Petion, realizing that the blacks were in the vast majority, and that it would be

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Satan's Henchman

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"Well, it's on record, and apparently rejected by the president without submission to the board. And doesn't your policy call for ten thousand?"

"Yes," Theo admitted, cognizant of the import.

"I know good and well that your actions are all open and above board, but you must know about these things and we must clear them up at once. There's something wrong. And, too, there's that attempted holdup, and here comes this Bolton application for fifty thousand. Who is his ward? What do you think?"

"Well, Harry, it's too deep for me. But I realize that there might be truth in what you say. I'll tell you what has happened. Yesterday I received an anonymous letter written in a woman's handwriting, warning me that there were sinister influences at work that would involve me in trouble the same as the writer was suffering. And again, my every movement and act is under surveillance.

In fact, sitting at the second table to your right, the man with the gray suit, is the one who is shadowing me," Theo informed Harry.

"Don't look at him just yet. I don't want him to know that I am wise to him."

The Surprise at the "Paradise"

For a few moments Harry ate in

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