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Gentlemen of the Union League. - On the 1st of March, 1781, it was announced that Articles of Confederation and perpetual Union had been finally ratified and adopted by the thirteen States then engaged in the common struggle of the Revolution. This event filled the whole land with joy. During the seven years of the war of Independence which had elapsed, the Continental Congress had afforded what was at best but a provisional government, and the necessity for another that should unite more effectively and permanently the will, resources and power of the whole country, was not only recognized, but it was solemnly declared by Congress itself that the safety, indeed the very independence of the people depended upon it. Thus, finally, after the slow process of debate in State Legislatures had yielded to the pressure of events, and with the adjustment of the territorial question, and the long delayed assent of...

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