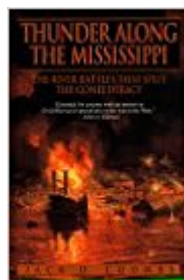


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Several mistakes, inconsistencies, and typographical errors belie its otherwise scholarly attempt to document an important event which determined many courses of action during the Civil War: the capitulation of the Mississippi River Valley and its major tributaries. Examples: 1) page 62 - Fort Donelson is actually on the West side of the Cumberland River, not the East as the book states. 2) p. 96 - At the Battle of Shiloh, Sherman held the Federal right flank during the first day of battle, not the left flank as stated in this book. That honor fell to Hurlbut's forces. This is an error too basic to

be made by anyone with any knowledge of the Civil War. This error tells me that the author is incompetent (or incomplete) in his research and/or the editor failed to catch the mistake. Either reason renders the book significantly less credible as a source of correct information regarding the Civil War. 3) p. 95 - the last sentence of the first paragraph contains a dangling preposition. There are, unfortunately, many instances of this type of error throughout the book which further lends to the notion that this is nothing but an amateurish, hastily constructed book. 4) p. 146 - the second paragraph on the page (which starts "After the battle was over...") is a run-on sentence. Unfortunately, there are more than just this one instance in the book. 5) p. 165 - "When the Union vessels hove into sight, Essex in the van, the fight was about to begin." This is an inane statement to make and insults the intelligence of the reader. What else would they be about to do? 6) p. 168 - I believe that the gentlemen's name is DAVID Dixon Porter, not DAVIS Dixon Porter. 7) p.

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