YORKTOWN
(The World Turned Upside Down)
from HAMILTON

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With drive
Dm C G
COMPANY:

The Battle of Yorktown.

f
RECORD SCRAMBLE

Dm C G
LAFAYETTE:

Seventeen eighty-one.

MON -

HANDCLAPS

Dm C G
HAMILTON:

Mon-sieur La-fayette.

How you say, no sweat. We're

Mon-sieur Hamilton.

In command where you belong.
fi-n'ly on the field. We've had quite a run.

We get the job done.

Im-mi-grants: We get the job done.

Dm

So what happens if we win?

I go back to France. I bring

RECORD SCRATCH

G

We'll be freedom to my people if I'm given the chance.
Dm
C
G
with you when you do.
I'll see you on the other side.
I am

Go lead your men.
Til we meet again, let's
COMPANY:
I am

D5
F5
G5
A5
C5
D5
not throwing a-way my shot. I am not throwing a-way my shot. Hey yo, I'm
go!

not throwing a-way my shot. I am not throwing a-way my shot. Hey yo, I'm

f
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just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry, and I'm not throwing away my shot. I am
just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry, and I'm not throwing away my shot. I am

not throwing away my shot. 'Til the world turns upside down!

not throwing away my shot. 'Til the world turns upside down!
F/A

G

HAMILTON:

I imagine

world turns upside down!

dead so much it feels more like a memory. This is where it gets me: on my feet, the enemy ahead of me.

Dm

C

G

If this is the end of me, at least I have a friend with me, weapon in my hand, a command, and my men with me.
Then I remember my Eliza's expecting me... not only that; my Eliza's expecting.

We gotta go, gotta get the job done, gotta start a new nation, gotta meet my son! Take the

bullets out your gun! The bullets out your gun! We move under cover and we move as one through the

What? What?

night, we have one shot to live another day! We cannot let a stray gun shot give us away. We will
F5 G5 A5 C5 D5
fight up close, seize the moment and stay in it. It's either that or meet the business end of a bayonet.

F/A F/G G G7(no3)
code word is “Ro-cham-beau,” dig me? You have your orders now, go, man, go! And

COMPANY:
Ro-cham-beau!

Dm C G
so the American experiment begins with my friends all scattered to the winds. Laur-ens is in

HAMILTON:
Dm C G

South Carolina, re-defining bravery. We'll never be free until we end slavery!

LAURENS:

We'll never be free until we end slavery!

simile

Dm C G

When we finally drive the British away, Lafayette is there waiting in Chesapeake Bay!

LAFAYETTE:

in Chesapeake Bay!

Dm C G

How did we know that this plan would work? We had a spy on the inside. That's right.

COMPANYMEN:

MULLIGAN:

Hercules

WHOOOSH
MULIGAN:

D5  F5  G5  A5  C5  D5
Mul- li-gan!

MULIGAN: mul-lig-an! A tail-or spy-in’ on the Brit-ish govern-ment! I take their mea-sure-ments, in- for-ma-tion and then I smuggle it!

COMPANY:

F5  G5  A5  C5  D5
Up to my brother’s rev- o-lu-tion-ar-y cov-en-ant, I’m run-nin’ with the Sons of Lib-er-ty and I am lov-in’ it!

SIMILE

F5  G5
See, that’s what happens when you up a-against the ruf-fi-ans.

AD LIB

A5  C5  D5
We in the shit now, some-bod-y got-ta shov-el it!

G
Her-cu-les Mul-li-gan, I need no in-tro-duc-tion, when you knock me down I get the fuck back up a-gain!

FP cresc.

G7(no3)
G
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HAMLET:

After a week of fighting, a young man in a red coat stands on a parapet.

LAFAYETTE:

We lower our guns as he frantically waves a white handkerchief.

MULLIGAN:

And just like that, it's over. We tend to our wounded. We count our dead. Black and white
LAURENS:

soldiers wonder alike if this really means freedom.

WASHINGTON:

Not yet.

(mute)

HAMILTON:

We negotiate the terms of surrender. I see ___ George Washington smile.

We escort their men _ _ out of Yorktown. They stagger home _ _ single file.

Dm

Tens of thousands of people flood the streets. _ _ There are screams and church bells ringing.
And as our fallen foes retreat, I hear the drinking song they're singing...

COMPANY MEN:

The world turned upside down.

“SCOTTISH SNARE” LOOP

The world turned upside down.
The world turned upside down, down, down.

D⁵ D⁵/F D⁵/G D⁵/A C⁵ Dm⁷

LAFAYETTE:
Freedom for America, freedom for France!

Down, down, down.
Got-ta start a new na-tion, got-ta meet my son!

Down, down, down.

We won! We won! We won! We won!

The
world turned upside down!