Revolutionary War Period Newspaper Project

Due Date: Friday, December 18

Create the front page of a newspaper based on events/happenings from the book, *My Brother Sam Is Dead*. You will write each of the sections or articles from the perspective of a Patriot or a Loyalist.

Your front page of a newspaper must include the following:

1. A title for your newspaper appropriate to the time period (Ex. *The Connecticut Gazette*)
2. One straight news article about one of the following battles or events:

**The News Article should include:**

* Name of the event/battle
* Date of the event
* Location of the event
* Who was involved (including any important historical figures)
* Summary of the battle or event
1. Write one editorial based on an event or happening from the book*, My Brother Sam Is Dead*. It should be evident if the editorial is written with a Patriot or Loyalist slant.
* Brandywine
* Bunker Hill
* Camden
* Freeman’s Farm (first battle)
* Freeman’s Farm (second battle)
* Germantown
* Long Island
* Monmouth
* Princeton
* Trenton
* Yorktown
* Declaration of Independence
* Kings Mountain
1. Create one Political Cartoon that accompanies the topic of the editorial or the straight news article. It should be evident whether the cartoon shows a Patriot or Loyalist slant.
2. Write one feature article on a community or social event or topic that was discussed in *My Brother Sam Is Dead*.
3. Create an advertisement appropriate to the time period and relevant to the book. It could be a classified advertisement or a graphic advertisement.

All writing should reflect the appropriate time period. Your newspaper front page will be graded on fulfilling the requirements as well as conventions. As always, you are encouraged to go above and beyond the minimum requirements listed above. What you do beyond is “frosting on the cake” and to your benefit.

\*Do not forget to try to use jargon and “words of the time” to make your project truly authentic.