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TUESDAY TIDBIT! The governor of Spanish Florida, in St. Augustine (est. 1565), launches a flotilla of warships, carrying 200 soldiers and 300 Native American allies. Their mission: attack and destroy the new English settlement of Charles Towne (Charleston, SC), founded just four months earlier. Spain lays claim to all of the land up to Virginia and views the English as squatters. Native American friends of the English warn them of the approaching Spanish ships. The colonists have been lax in their defensive preparations, but manage to mount seven cannons at Charles Towne. Meanwhile, their crops, left unattended, wither under the broiling August sun. The Spanish sail into Charleston harbor, then drop anchor at the mouth of the Ashley River to formulate their offensive plans. The weather intervenes. A violent gale strikes, punishing the Spanish ships as it forces them back into the Atlantic. The leader of the expedition calls off the attack. The alarm is over and the Carolina colonists breathe a sigh of relief!



Donald Sherman Fire!!!

at 17:18:38 on 8/21/2012 UTC



Jessica Boyer Very cool!

at 17:56:26 on 8/21/2012 UTC



Cran Ohlandt The cannons look wonderful, did you guys recently re-finish them or is this an older picture?

at 3:42:18 on 8/22/2012 UTC



Brett Harris What a fitting reminder of one of the chapters in the history of our great state! Thanks Jimmy!

at 19:30:21 on 8/25/2012 UTC