Savannah had been in British hands since 29 December 1778. A combined American and French attack to recover it failed on 9 October 1779.

From 1 April to 12 May, the British laid siege to Charleston. After the city fell, H. Clinton returned to New York, leaving Cornwallis in command of the South.

Cornwallis established a series of forts in the interior to consolidate his hold on Georgia and South Carolina.

Tarleton pursued remnants of Patriot units.

Savannah was retaken by the British in early 1780.

Major Operations in the South, 1780

The War in the South

SOUTHERN COLONIES

LEGEND

British conquest of South Carolina

The Battle of Camden

The Battle of King's Mountain

Scale of Miles

0                 25                   50                 75

0 1 2 3 4

47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54

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