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Review

“To commemorate the upcoming bicentennial (2015) of the Waterloo Campaign, historian Lipscombe presents a visual history of the ultimate battle of the Napoleonic Wars. This pertinent collection of primary and secondary sources humanizes the conflict, featuring numerous photos of Napoleon and his nemesis Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington, alongside several memoir excerpts from subordinates. The editor relays how the steadfast loyalty between the Duke of Wellington and his Prussian ally Gebhard von Blücher ensured Napoleon's defeat and how that humiliation led to the rise of military theorist Carl von Clausewitz. Tangential topics, such as common risks associated with the popular musket 'Brown Bess,' add creative interest.” *Library Journal*

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