

## Dresden. October 17, 1813

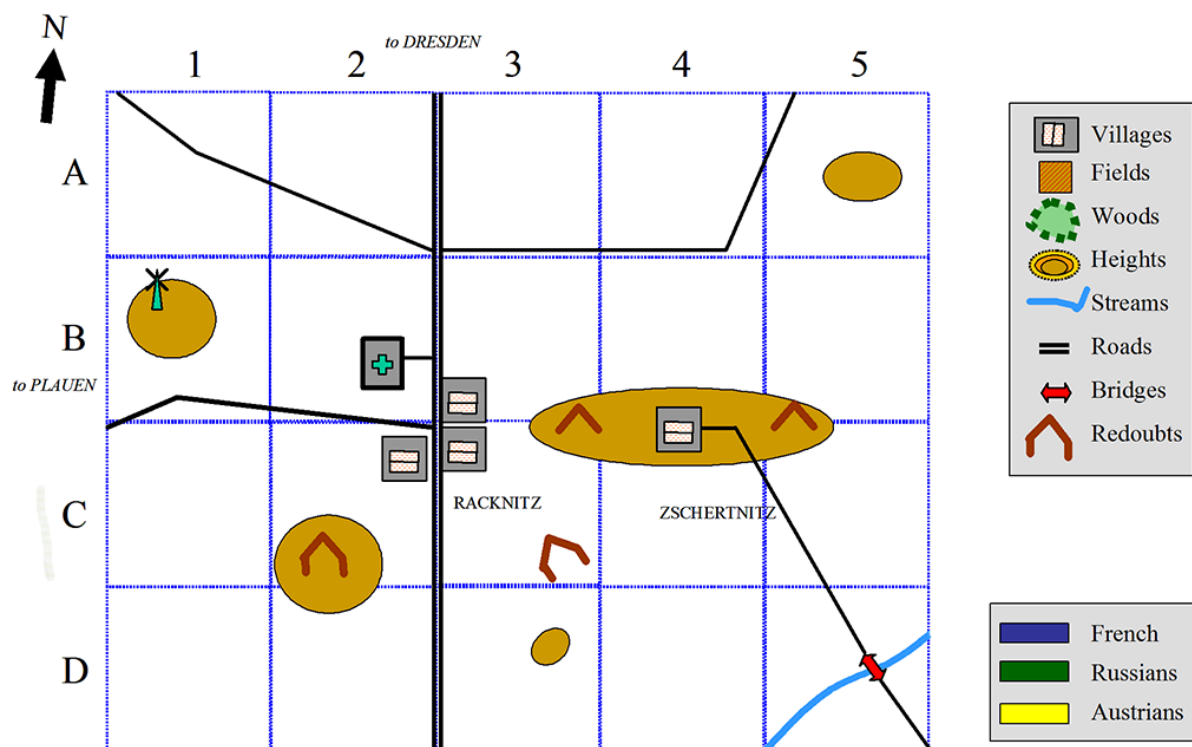
While Napoleon was finding his fate around Leipzig, Marshall Saint-Cyr was shut up in Dresden with the I and XIV Corps, closely watched by units of the Russian Army of Poland (also known as Army of Reserve) commanded by Osterman-Tolstoy. On 17 October, Saint-Cyr decided to attempt to break the siege, and launched an attack with four infantry divisions and a weak light cavalry division from the Grossen-Garten and the Moczinskischen Garten against the Russian forces facing him and entrenched behind some redoubts. The Russian forces were mainly composed by Opolchenie (militia) infantry, Cossacks, Baskhirs and a small core of Russian and Austrian regulars, and were easily routed by Saint-Cyr. However, and because of the weak French cavalry, the Allied were allowed to withdraw and the French were forced to take the initial positions.

This scenario is based in that combat, and involves in the French side, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> Infantry divisions and the 10<sup>th</sup> Light Cavalry division (as reinforcements). The allied forces is composed from the Markov III's Advance Guard (regular), the Opolchenie corps\* of Myromoc and Titov, the Bagration's Cossack division and a small Austrian brigade used as reinforcement.

### Sources

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The stream is rough terrain as per Lasalle ruleset and may be forded everywhere by infantry or cavalry units in column formation. Artillery only may cross it at the bridge in march column formation. Each building and the cemetery may contain one infantry unit each.

\* At the time of this battle (fall of 1813) many of the Russian Opolchenie forces had changed their original uniforms and had an aspect more similar to regular Russian infantry units. See the Viskovatov book included in the Sources

## **Russian Army**

16 Battalions/5 Regiments/3 batteries. Army Moral 50 Break point 17

**C-i-C** Osterman-Tosltoy (+1/\*)

**Advance Guard** Markov III (-1/¶)

**1st Brigade** Bulatov (+1/-)

1/Neutchlot IR R/E/SK1

2/Neutchlot IR R/E/SK1

**2nd Brigade** Sucharev (+1/-)

1/27 Jager R/E/SK2

2/27 Jager R/E/SK2

1/43 Jager R/E/SK2

2/43 Jager R/E/SK2

**1st Opolchenie Corps** Muromoc (+1/¶)

1/1st Nizhnii-Novgorod Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

2/1st Nizhnii-Novgorod Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

3/1st Nizhnii-Novgorod Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

**2nd Opolchenie Corps** Titov (-1/-)

1/1st Pensa Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

2/1st Pensa Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

1/1st Riazan Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

2/1st Riazan Opolchenie R U/A/SK0

Position Battery #15 Foot/4 cannons/ Heavy/1How

Light Battery #64 Foot/4 cannons/Medium/1How

Horse Battery #22 Horse/3 cannons/Medium/2How

**Cavalry** von Bagration (+1/\*)

Vlassov #2 Cossacks S/I/Pu

Platov #5 Cossacks S/I/Pu

Andreinov #3 Cossacks S/I/Pu

Shamschev Cossacks S/I/Pu

4th Ukrainian Cossacks S/I/Pu

## **Austrian Reinforcements**

Chasteler (-/-)

3/Kaiser IR R/E/SK1 +

3/Vogelsang IR R/E/SK1 +

1/Czartorisky IR R/E/SK1 +

## **French Army**

15 Battalions/3 Regiments/3 Batteries .Moral 39 ; Break point 13

**C-i-C** Saint-Cyr (+1/\*)

**1e Division** Cassagne (+1/-)

**1e Brigade** Parioletti (+1/\*)

1/7e Légère R/E/SK2

2/7e Légère R/E/SK2

**2e Brigade** Fezensac (+1/\*)

1/12e Ligne R/A/SK1

1/17e Ligne R/A/SK1  
3/36e Ligne R/A/SK1  
8/2e Artillerie Foot 3Guns/M/1Hw

**43e Division** Claparède (-/-)

**1e Brigade** Godard (-/\*)

2/27e Légère R/E/SK2

3/27e Légère R/A/SK1

**2e Brigade** Butrand (-/\*)

1/29e Légère R/A/SK1

2/103e Ligne R/A/SK1

3/103e Ligne R/A/SK1

4/103e Ligne R/A/SK1

**3e Brigade** Couture (+1/-)

2/100e Ligne R/E/SK2

3/100e Ligne R/A/SK1

4/100e Ligne R/A/SK1

3/94e Ligne R/A/SK1

2/7e Artillerie Foot 3Guns/M/1Hw

**Reinforcements**

**10e Light Cavalry Division** Gérard (+1/-)

2e Italian Chasseurs à Cheval R/A/Pu

7e Chevaulégers-lanciers V/E/Pu/La

14e Hussar Regiment R/E/Pu

5/2e Horse Artillery Horse 2Guns/M/1Hw

**Notes**

(1) Units marked (+) are large (6 base) units

(2) The basic duration of the game is 16-24 Turns (2-3 hours). Bonus Turns are allowed rolling 2D6 (p. 66 of the e-Lasalle book).

(3) The French are the attackers and are the first side

**Special rules**

**Reinforcements**

Use 2D6 for the Arrival Turn (p. 91 of e-Lasalle). The units arrive in march column or attack column as desired.

**Allied**

**Austrian Reinforcements:** Arrival Turn: 2D6; Arrival point D3-D4-D5-C5 (10%/20%/50%/20%)

**French**

**10th LC Division** Arrival Turn: 2D6; Arrival point A1-A2-A3-A4-A5 (20%/30%/20%/20%/10%)

**Opolchenie units**

Opolchenie units have Unpredictable esprit and can begin the game in Entrenchments in Line formation. (See p. 117 of e-Lasalle)

**Optional rule for Cossacks (and other irregular cavalry)**

(1) Irregular cavalry units may charge enemy units standing in 'march column' formation.

(2) Irregular cavalry units must to pass a 'Discipline' test to initiate the charge.

(3) If routed in 'decisive combat' the irregular cavalry unit is immediately broken.

**Victory conditions**

As per Lasalle rule-book.

### Terrain

Type	Movement	Cover
Woods	Rough	Soft
Stream	Rough	No
Town		Hard
Wall or Entrenchments	Obstacle	Hard

### Unpredictable units

Before the first combat, roll 1D6

1-3	Shaky	For the rest of the game
4-5	Reliable	Re-roll next time
6	Valiant	For the rest of the game

### Commanders

<i>Tactics</i>	* : Good	<i>Vigour;</i>	-1
	- : Average		0
	¶ : Poor		+1

### Key to Lasalle Unit Labels

**Infantry** Esprit/Discipline/Skirmish x/x/SKx [/Additional]

**Cavalry** Esprit/Discipline x/x[/Additional]

*Esprit*

**V** : Valiant  
**R** : Reliable  
**S** : Shaky

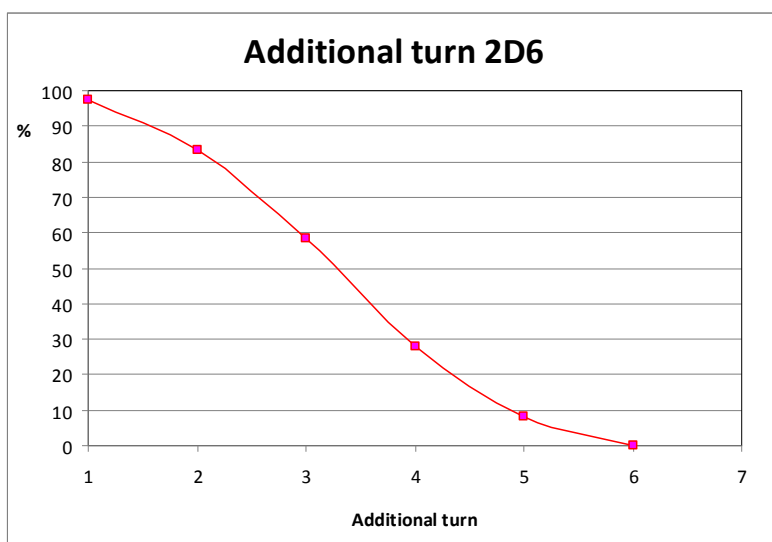
*Discipline* **E** : Experienced  
**A** : Amateur  
**I** : Irregular

*Additional*

**G** : Guard (for all)  
**Sh** : Shock (for cavalry only)  
**Pu** : Pursuit (for cavalry only)  
**Ln** : Lancers (for cavalry only)

**Artillery**  
*Weight*

**H** : Heavy  
**M** : Medium  
**L** : Light



## Unit Labels Russians

C-i-C <b>Ost-Tosltoy</b> (+1/*)	Adv. Guard <b>Markov III</b> (-1/¶)	1B/AG Bulatov (+1/-)	2B/AG Sucharev (+1/-)	1st Opolche Muromoc (+1/¶)	2nd Opolche Titov (-1/-)
		1B/AG	2B/AG	1O	2O
Cossacks <b>Bagration</b> (+1/*)	Austrian <b>Chasteler</b> (-/-)				
Cossacks	Austrian				
1/Neutchl IR R/E/SK1	2/Neutchl IR R/E/SK1	1/27 Jager R/E/SK2	2/27 Jager R/E/SK2	1/43 Jager R/E/SK2	2/43 Jager R/E/SK2
1B/AG	1B/AG	2B/AG	2B/AG	2B/AG	2B/AG
1/1 N.Novgo U/A/SK0	2/1 N.Novgo U/A/SK0	3/1 N.Novgo U/A/SK0	1/1 Pensa U/A/SK0	2/1 Pensa U/A/SK0	1/1 Riazan U/A/SK0
1O	1O	1O	2O	2O	2O
2/1 Riazan U/A/SK0	15th PB Hv	15th PB Hv	15th PB Hv	15th PB Hv	15th PB Hw
2O					
64th LB Hv	64th LB Hv	64th LB Hv	64th LB Hv	64th LB Hw	
23th HB M	23th HB M	23th HB M	23th HB Hw	23th HB Hw	
16th	16th	16th			
Vlassov #2 S/I/Pu	Platov #5 S/I/Pu	Andreinov #3 S/I/Pu	Shamshev S/I/Pu	4th Ukrainian S/I/Pu	
Cossacks	Cossacks	Cossacks	Cossacks	Cossacks	
3/Kaiser IR R/E/SK1 +	3/Vogelsa IR R/E/SK1 +	1/Czartori IR R/E/SK1 +			
Austrian	Austrian	Austrian			

## Unit Labels French

<b>C-i-C Saint-Cyr</b> (+1/*)	<b>1e Division Cassagne</b> (+1/-)	<b>1B/1D Parioletti</b> (+1/*)	<b>2B/1D Fezensac</b> (+1/*)	<b>43e Division Claparède</b> (-/-)	<b>1B/43 Godard</b> (-/*)
	1	1B/1D	2B/1D	43	1B/43
<b>2B/43 Butrand</b> (-/*)	<b>3B/43 Couture</b> (+1/-)	10 LC Division <b>Gérard</b> (+1/-)			
2B/43	3B/43	10LC			
1/7e Leg R/E/SK2	2/7e Leg R/E/SK2	1/12e Ligne R/A/SK1	1/17e Ligne R/A/SK1	3/36e Ligne R/A/SK1	
1B/1D	1B/1D	2B/1D	2B/1D	2B/1D	
8/2 FA M	8/2 FA M	8/2 FA M	8/2 FA Hw	2/27e Leg R/E/SK2	3/27e Leg R/A/SK1
1	1	1	1	1B/43	1B/43
1/29e Leg R/A/SK1	2/103e Ligne R/A/SK1	3/103e Ligne R/A/SK1	4/103e Ligne R/A/SK1	2/100e Ligne R/E/SK2	3/100e Ligne R/A/SK1
2B/43	2B/43	2B/43	2B/43	3B/43	3B/43
4/100e Ligne R/A/SK1	3/94e Ligne R/A/SK1	2/7 FA M	2/7 FA M	2/7 FA M	2/7 FA Hw
3B/43	3B/43	43	43	43	43
2 Ita ChChev R/A/Pu	7 CL-Lanciers V/E/Pu/La	14e Hussar R/E/Pu	5/2 HA M	5/2 HA M	5/2 HA Hw
10LC	10LC	10LC	10LC	10LC	10LC